

Volunteering Equality Rights Action VERA



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Report "Revealing European Values In Volunteering in Europe" #REVIVE Seminar Slovenia

ZOOM, 12. 10. 2023

Agenda

Date: 12. 9. 2023 Venue: ZOOM

| 10:00 - 10:10 | Introduction and welcome |
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| 10:10 - 10:30 | Introduction of participants, exploring motivation, introducing the timeline and purpose of the seminar |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | How values guide our volunteering? Exploring our values and the values of our organisation The connection between our values and European values Activities of CEV |
| 11:00 - 11:15 | Coffee break |
| 11:15 - 11:45 | The impact of volunteering Group work What are the impacts of volunteering Volunteering campaigns that are led by values How can we embetter inclusion in volunteering in our organisation |
| 11:45 - 12:00 | Conclusion and evaluation of e-seminar |

The seminar on "Revealing European Values in Volunteering in Europe" was conducted online, via ZOOM, on 12th october 2023. The seminar lasted for 2 hours.

There were 14 participants of the seminar. The participants were all female, members of volunteering organisations (11) and volunteers (3) as well. All of the participants were female.



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In the beginning, we introduced the purpose of the seminar and the role of CEV in supporting volunteering organisations across EU.

We began the seminar with exploring the values of participants (with Mentimeter) and learned that the majority of them agreed that they followed the value of *responsibility*. We talked about how values affect us and our actions and thus direct our volunteering and the organisations we choose to volunteer at. We talked and asked the participants about how to motivate volunteers via joint values, and also how those values that their organisation follows reflects core european values.

In the second part we discussed what are the affects of volunteering and how do they perceive it. We opened the questions on how to find better ways to communicate our values through volunteering campaigns and also how to adjust our organisation to inclusive volunteering and what kind of inclusion can they wish for.

The seminar has less participants than expected but it enabled more people to actively participate and reflect the role of values in their work / volunteering. The feedback of participants was really good, they made that the topics stimulated their thinking and group work connected people from organisation with similar values that saw an opportunity to connect and work together in the future.

We conducted two additional seminars that lasted two hours each. The first additional seminar was conducted on 22. November 2023 and it was done live. There were 3 participants, all mentors of volunteers. The next one was also done live, on the 28th of november. There were 8 participants, all mentors of volunteers as well. Both groups participated in lively discussions about how to communicate values of the volunteering programmes (that are already aligned with the EU values) to "attract" new volunteers who share those.