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WORKSHOP

The EPALE community book club: the transformative power of education



10.00-12.00 CEST

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Kriticos Pandelis Mwansa, Founder, The Book Club

Marvin Agire, Multi-hyphenate creative

Beren Kiraz, Marketing and communications professional


Chloé Heyart, Writer, campaign manager and creative

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Upskilling and Reskilling for the Digital Transition



Under the aegis of  Comune di Bologna

09.30-10.00 CEST

Welcoming Remarks

Iliana Ivanova, Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, European Commission

Opening

Ann Branch, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG EMPL

Welcome

Municipality of Bologna and NSS Italy

10.00-10.45 CEST

Keynote Speech

Understanding the present, projecting into the future. How to navigate digital change?

Jillian C. York, Director for International Freedom of Expression, Electronic Frontier Foundation

10.45-10.55 CEST

Introducing the EPALE Community Heroes

10.55-11.45 CEST

Roundtable

Tech-enabled transformation in Adult learning and education

- **Michael Horgan**, Team leader, Skills for the Twin Transition, DG EMPL
- **Safa Ghnaim**, Associate Programme Director, Tactical Tech
- **Gema Parrado León**, Digital Educator, content creator and project manager - AUPEX

11.45-12.00 CEST

Wrap up and closing of the first day



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Adult Learning as a way out of Poverty



09.30-09:45 CEST

Opening

A coffee with Tamsin Rose

9.45-10.15 CEST

Keynote Speech

It's all about time!

Michel Alhadeff-Jones, Executive Director,
Sunkhronos Institute

10.15-10.45 CEST

Panel

Adult learning as a way for better life prospects

- **Jaana Härkönen**, Team leader of International Activities, Valo-Valmennusyhdistys
- **Heather Loontjes**, Prison sports and culture officer, De Rode Antraciet
- **Ioannis Vanidis**, Social Innovation and Cohesion Institute

10.45-11.45 CEST

Inspiring Talk

Creativity for empowerment and inclusion

- **Khaled Barakeh**, Conceptual artist and activist, Coculture
- **Sonia Nandzik-Herman**, Co-founder and CEO, ReFOCUS Media Labs foundation
- **Kriticos Pandelis Mwansa**, Founder, The Book Club
- **Airan Berg**, Director, Circus of Knowledge

11.45-12.00 CEST

Wrap up and closing of the second day

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Adult Learning for Sustainable Development



09.30-9.45 CEST

Opening

A coffee with Tamsin Rose

Introduction of the visual facilitator **Paolo Masiero**

9.45-10.15 CEST

Keynote Speech

Challenging the present, re-imagining the future

Kristupas Sabolius, Professor, Vilnius University,
Research Affiliate, MIT

10.15-10.45 CEST

Participatory activity

Uncover Your Ecological Footprint

10.45-11.30 CEST

EPALE Talk

Designing sustainable futures through Adult learning

- **Esra Telli**, Professor, Erzincan Binali Yıldırım University
- **Chrysanthi Charatsari**, EPAL Expert on Sustainability and Adult learning (TBC)
- **Christelle Gilabert** - Freelance journalist (TBC)
- **Tremeur Denigot**, European Commission, JRC

11.30-12.00 CEST

Wrap up and closing



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NATIONAL SIDE EVENTS

EPALE Belgium FR National Side Event

15 October - 17.00-22.00 CEST

“Let’s Twist!- Take Women In STem!”

Screening, round table and launching of a role model campaign

▶ [LINK](#)

EPALE Croatia National Side Event

16 October - 10.00-14.00 CEST

“The quality of educational institutions for the purpose of attracting and including vulnerable groups in education”

Workshop

EPALE Cyprus National Side Event

17 October - 11.00-12.30 Cyprus Time

“Adult Learning for Sustainable Development”

Panel Discussion

EPALE Germany National Side Event

16 October - 14.00-16.30 CEST

“Democracy education in adult education”

Online workshop

▶ [LINK](#)

EPALE Greece National Side Event

15 October - 10.00-15.00 EET

“InfoDay about EPALE and workshops on how to submit Erasmus+ proposals”

Info day and workshop

EPALE Iceland National Side Event

16 October - 12.30-14.30 Icelandic Time

“Microcredentials in Adult Education”

Workshop



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NATIONAL SIDE EVENTS

EPALE Ireland National Side Events

15 October - 13.30-14.30 Irish Time

“Future-proofing skills: in conversation with the National Learning Network”

Panel discussion

▶ [LINK](#)

17 October - 13.30-14.30 Irish time

“Breaking barriers: in conversation with An Cosán”

Panel discussion

▶ [LINK](#)

EPALE Italy National Side Event

15 October - 14.00-17.00 CEST

“Fostering critical thinking in Adult Education”

Workshop

EPALE Latvia National Side Event

17 October - 11:00-14:30 Latvian time

“Upskilling and Reskilling for the Digital Transition”

Panel Discussion

EPALE Lithuania National Side Event

17 October - 10:00–15:00 Lithuanian Time

“Professions will disappear? Or will they just change? Is it worth starting to worry?”

Conference

EPALE North Macedonia National Side Event

17 October - 13.00-14.30 CEST

“Education for All – a way out of poverty”

Webinar

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NATIONAL SIDE EVENTS

EPALE Serbia National Side Event

17 October - 10.00-14.00 CEST

"Media Literacy for ALE practitioners"

Training

EPALE Spain National Side Event

16 October - 16.00-17.30 CEST

"Lifelong learning to boost your digital skills"

Collaborative webinar

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