### What is the VALLEY label?

Do you agree that youth volunteering is important and a resource for personal empowerment? Do you support the learning process of your young volunteers by validating their competence developments?

Let the public and volunteers know about it and get the VALLEY label!

The EU Project VALLEY promotes learning and the development of social competences acquired through volunteering. Especially for disadvantaged or excluded groups of young people, volunteering offers an important link to learning for life and not least the labour market. This is why we believe that their learning needs recognition.

The VALLEY label is a European quality label that provides a clear signal to young volunteers from all European countries that your organisation is dedicated to support learning and recognition.

The VALLEY label is conceptualised in a way that volunteering organisations follow an approach in which working with volunteers is not only coordination and placement, but also supporting individual development and competence oriented learning, so that young people can get the most out of their voluntary engagement.

## How to get the VALLEY label?

The steps to be awarded the VALLEY label are:

- ✓ Join the VALLEY e-learning platform
- ✓ Let your volunteers join the e-learning platform
- ✓ Take the e-learning modules
- Apply what you have learnt in your daily work with volunteers
- ✓ Let your volunteers do the self-assessment of their competences
- Provide a certificate of achievement to your volunteers
- ✓ Contact the VALLEY team and re-ceive the VALLEY Label

Take the first step and register on the VALLEY e-learning platform.

### For what reason?

There are good reasons to obtain the VALLEY Label. Among them are:

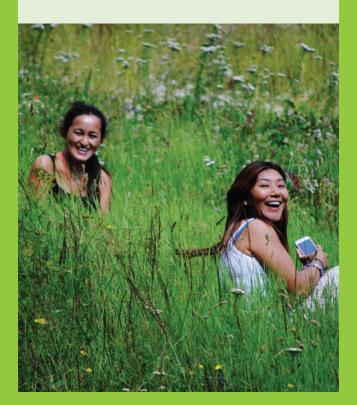
- Promote a positive image of your organisation
- Show a clear commitment to the value of volunteering
- Attract volunteers
- ✓ Improve your project planning by knowing the potential of your volunteers

### **Validation Approach**

The VALLEY label will be awarded after the validation process by means of the LEVEL5 system which is specifically designed to assess personal, social and organisational competence developments in rather non and informal learning settings.

It is based on a 3-dimensional approach to validate and visualise cognitive, activity related and affective learning outcomes the LEVEL5 cube.

LEVEL5 is a holistic learning process that benefits the learners, learning providers and enterprises.



# Benefits of the VALLEY approach in youth volunteering

Volunteering is an important contribution to society, but it is also a development process of the volunteer.

To promote this has increasingly become a responsibility for volunteering organisations.

Especially for disadvantaged or vulnerable youths volunteering is a chance to learn and to develop.

- VALLEY promotes volunteering as source for personal empowerment
- ✓ VALLEY makes the development of competences visible
- ✓ VALLEY offers evidencing of learning and development acquired in volunteering

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