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**InterAct, supported by European Commission under the Erasmus+ Program, is a project to promote and validate the development of Intercultural Action Competences (IAC) for participants in international youth projects. Together with international partners, KulturLife coordinated and launched the project in early April 2021.**

The Project InterAct is a very ambitious project whose goal is to transform the concept of IAC from theory to practice, to make it easily understandable for youth workers and participants alike, and to make it fun to work with. This will be accomplished by developing a complete set of tools organised around a web-based app that offers an approach to IAC that is both well researched and entertaining to use.

IAC is the competence to navigate complex environments characterized by a growing diversity of people, cultures and lifestyles. It is a key competence needed and practiced for every international youth encounter and contributes largely to the Competence in Cultural Awareness. Although IAC is central to youth mobility, it is often not sufficiently understood and learning progress in this field is not properly evaluated and recognized.

InterAct aims to remedy this by enabling young participants to dive deeper into the world of interculturality, to observe, practice and validate their own learning progress, and for youth workers to easily integrate practical exercises, games and reflective elements into the design of international projects such as Erasmus mobilities. In addition, a policy document will be created that can be used by decision makers to promote and support funding for IAC and mobility projects. To react to the Corona pandemic, InterAct will also include virtual encounters such as virtual volunteering or online work camps.

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