

# From idea to the action

Youth Lab of Civic Initiatives



# who we are

- interregional and international youth civic education program
- four Siberian cities: Krasnoyarsk, Omsk, Tomsk, Novosibirsk
- initiative group of alumni of Theodor-Heuss-Kolleg in Siberia
- youth workers “from outside” of THK
- young trainers from different countries
- cooperation program of Theodor-Heuss-Kolleg (a program of Robert Bosh Foundation and MitOst e.V.)

# what we do

- we try to build young people to aktiv citizen
- throu raising awareness for being citizen

”Freiheit der vielen wächst aus innerer Freiheit der einzelnen” (Th. Heuss)

- we give our participants practical instruments for changing their surrounding and society

”Many little people in many different places making many little different things change the world”



# How we do it

- through seminars, trainings, financial supporting of low cost projects, mentoring, practical project work. Young people are invited to take part on the whole program year
- with different methods of trainings. Cognitive, emotional and practical.
- trusting participants, moving them to take over the responsibility, to participate on the points they want to change
- by building a network

ТЕМАТИЧЕСКИЕ  
ВВОДНЫЕ семинары  
в разных городах  
(по 20 чел)

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семинар и  
презентация  
проектов  
(в одном из городов)

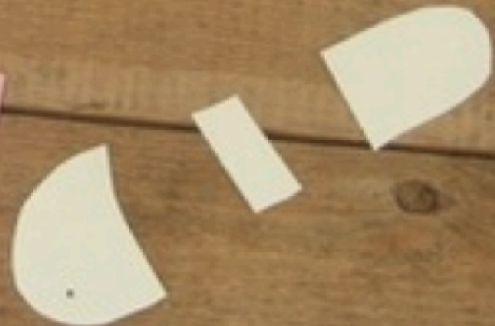
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ЛОКАЛЬНЫЕ  
встречи  
Kick off!

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# Regional context

- different institution supporting the program (ngo, administration, university, deputies...)
- different political and social situations in different cities
- other programs of social project management in Russia are bigger, expect from the participants more experience in project work, are more directive
- difficult relations with official youth policy

# International context

- MitOst e.V., Robert Bosh Foundation
- regional cooperation programs in Kaukasus, Balkan, Ukraine, Perm (Russia), Baltic region, Siberia (Russia) with different structures
- trainers from different countries
- new connections and partnerships between trainers / participants of cooperation programs

# Why project work?

- attitude to act, to participate vs only speaking in the kitchen /posting “v kontakte”
- learning by doing
- real little changes raise motivation for participation
- strategic and practical thinking, awareness of aims and issues
- good skills for professional future
- working together motivates to build proaktive groups



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