



FEDERACIÓN DE CENTROS
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Dear participants,

We look forward to welcoming you to

'**CRITICAL THINKING & GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP FOR A GLOBALISED WORLD**'

KA1 course in **Valencia** from **Monday 15th** to **Friday 19th May 2023**.
First and foremost, thank you for choosing our course. We are happy to support you in your professional development as global citizenship practitioners.



COURSE VENUE & DIRECTIONS:

From Monday 15th to Friday 19th the course will be held at [FECEVAL Calle de Sant Vicent Màrtir, -1º-1ª 65, 46002 València](#). On Monday 15th which is arrival day we will meet here at 10:30h.

There are several hotels in the area. Please note we don't have any price deals or discounts with any of the hotels and advise you to take a look and book a hotel which suits your specific needs. If you have any questions feel free to contact us.





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COURSE SCHEDULE:

This practical structured course aims to help teachers to develop an understanding of the relevance of critical thinking on a personal level and share ideas for, and experiences of, critical thinking methodologies in the classroom. At the same time we'll work with values, in order to prepare learners to live and work in an interdependent global society. The course will also introduce considerations about the process of self-awareness and personal development that is part of moving from a 'local' to a 'global' citizen, through development of knowledge, skills and values.

At Changemakers UnLimited we are committed to helping educators equip their learners to make sense of the globalised world and their place in it, through critical thinking and experiential learning. Interdependence and collaboration are values which lie at the core of the work we do and form the basis of the skills and knowledge disseminated through our training courses.

Monday is arrival day. We will meet you at **FECEVAL at 10:30h** to officially start the programme.

The week's activities include participant presentations, active discussions and practical workshops. A visit to a local High School and to the University of Valencia may be included in the programme, based on availability.





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PRE-COURSE PREPARATION:

A - SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Please prepare a short talk of 7 minutes max to cover these points:

- A brief introduction to your country's school system, and your school
- Do you have experience of implementing international collaboration projects at your school (Erasmus or otherwise)? Please share how these had a positive impact on learners, educators and/or the school system as a whole, where relevant. Do you have any good practice or advice for others collaborating across borders?

B - GROUP SKILLS PRACTICE:

Part of the week will be for Skills Practice. For this you will work in subgroups, to run a micro-lesson / activity based on ideas shared during the course. In order to support this, you might like to consider which of these topics you would like to teach about, and bring with you any special objects or materials which you might like to use. Don't worry if you are not sure – you are also welcome to decide on the day! You will have time to plan this with your group during the course.

You will prepare and run a table top activity for training teachers (3-4 participants) to last 15 mins max, which doesn't require any IT equipment, on one of the following concepts. The session should be interactive.

- Peace, Justice & Strong institutions
- Reduced Inequalities
- Youth Activism
- Sustainable Cities & Communities

C- PRE-READING

This is not a compulsory reading list, but if you have some time ahead of the course (on the flight over perhaps!) choose a couple to read:

- ✓ [The Sustainable Development Goals – A guide for Teachers](#)
- ✓ [Youth activism is on the rise around the globe, and adults should pay attention!](#)
- ✓ [How can schools tackle eco-anxiety in young people?](#)
- ✓ [Why it's time to decolonise the curriculum and diversify learning](#)



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PRACTICAL INFORMATION & LOCAL TIPS

WHAT TO EAT!

Valencia is well-known for its gastronomy and tapas. There are international options all over the city centre. Our main recommendation is to taste our "typical paella" if you love rice and meat or seafood but we also recommend different types of cooked rice such as rice with vegetables or arroz al horno. Tapas is another perfect option: "patatas bravas", "Spanish omelet" "salads", "olives", "mussels", jamón, etc.... Tapas are snacks offered alongside a beer, wine or soft drink. The option of "montaditos" is similar to a "tapa" but it is food on top of a slice of bread (omelet, eggs, ham, anchovies, pork, seafood, etc...)



WHERE TO EAT!

There are several easy-to-eat and fairly priced restaurants near the course venue. One option is Mahora Bistro in Carrer Convent de Sant Francesc, 5. And vegan options at Casa Navarro right next door to Feceval's main office. Another good option is Beher Valencia in Plaça de l'Ajuntament, 16. Ruzafa neighbourhood is always a cool option. This area around the train station is the place to be in Valencia. Thanks to a combination of creative residents moving in and a concerted effort by the city to revitalise the district. Some of Valencia's trendiest fine dining spots are located in Ruzafa, including two by one of the city's most famous chefs, Ricard Camarena.

Near the venue you can find also taverns such as Antonio Manuel Tavern in Calle de Sant Vicente Màrtir, 42.





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WEATHER

The best month to visit Valencia is May, you will be able to enjoy warm and pleasant Mediterranean weather. In fact, Valencia sees an average of 300 days of blue sky and sunshine per year. Swimming in May on the beaches in Valencia is possible although locals feel that the water is a bit cool.

Climate change now makes weather unpredictable but the rainy season seems to have finished during March and start of April.



For any questions, please feel free to get in touch!

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