



ACTIVIST SCHOOL FOR
YOUNG QUEER ACTIVISTS



«Building Ourselves, Building our Communities» 9-14 February 2014, Lomé, Togo

OBJECTIVES:

- To strengthen the network of queer youth activists and their capacity to build their movement collectively.
- To develop action plans that will be used to build the organisational and advocacy capacities of the local queer activist groups.

Sunday, February 9: **Arrival of participants**

7 pm Dinner and get together

Day 1, Monday February 10: **Self-Awareness and Community Awareness**

9.00 - 9.15 Welcome address by Mariam Armisen of Qyan
Introduction of the facilitators Bianca Miglioretto, Isis International
and Kholoud Madhaoui, Video Artist

9.15 - 9.35 Warm up and getting to know each other

9.35 - 9.45 Presentation of the workshop programme

9.45 - 11.00 Presentation of the organising experience by each country group
10 min. presentation and 5 min. Discussion each

11.00 - 11.30 Tea and Coffee break

11.30 - 13 .00 Session 1: **JOURNALING ANS SELF-REFLECITON** by Bianca

Uncover personal strategies for self-reflection
Introduce journaling as a way of self-reflection

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 17.00 Session 2: **COMMUNITY:
THE STRUCUTES OF BELONGING** by Bianca

What makes us a community?
Concept of community organising

17.00 - 17.30 Introduce peer groups and questions for journaling in
the evening.

Evening Journaling

Day 2, Tuesday, February 11: **Facilitating Community Building**

9.00 – 10.00 Peer group discussion on the journaling experience

10.00 – 11.00 Reports from the peer groups

11.00 – 11.30 Tea and Coffee break

11.30 – 13 .00 Session 3: **FACILITATIVE LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY GROUPS**

by Bianca

What is needed to build & sustain community?
Leaders as facilitators of community building processes.

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 17.00 Session 3 cont.: **FACILITATIVE LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY GROUPS**

Practice on facilitation and communications

17.00 – 17.30 Questions for journaling in the evening.

Evening Journaling

Day 3, Wednesday, February 12: **Media for Creating Community**

9.00 – 10.00 Peer group discussion on the journaling experience

10.00 – 11.00 Reports from the peer groups

11.00 – 11.30 Tea and Coffee break

11.30 – 13 .00 Session 4 **MEDIA FO COMMUNITY BUILDING**

by Khoulood

Deconstructing Visual Standards
Audiovisuals as a tool in community building
Basics in audiovisual tools

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 17.00 Session 4 cont.: **MEDIA FO COMMUNITY BUILDING**

Basics in the use of technical equipment
Writing of the scenario.

Evening Work on the script, sceneries, casting accessories

Day 4, Wednesday, February 13: **Exploring Community Common Ground**

9.00 – 11.30 Session 4 cont.: **MEDIA FO COMMUNITY BUILDING**

Shooting

11.30 – 12.00 Tea and Coffee break

12.00 – 13 .00 Session 5: **UNDERSTANDING OF THE ISSUES AND
POSSIBILITIES OF COMMUNITY BUILDING** by Bianca

Identifying burning issues using dotmocracy

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 16.00 Session 5 cont.: **UNDERSTANDING OF THE ISSUES AND
POSSIBILITIES IN COMMUNITY BUILDING**

Introduction of OST and Butterflies and Bees

Consensus building processes in community building

16.00 – 17.00 Session 6: **ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT**

Framework for the action plan development by country groups

Evening Work on the country action plans

Day 5, Wednesday, February 14: **Charting Community Future**

9.00 – 10.00 Finish the action plans by the country groups

10.00 – 11.30 Session 6 cont.: **ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT**

Country groups present and discuss their action plans

11.30 – 12.00 Tea and Coffee break

12.00 – 13 .00 **CLOSING CIRCLE** by Mariam

Evaluative comments and summary statements by participants and facilitators

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

Free time for sightseeing, shopping, rest, enjoy ... journaling