

GREEN CHOICE

YOUTH EXCHANGE 11-18 OCTOBER



Erasmus+ youth exchange 'Green Choice' took place on our island Curaçao. After a year dealing with the threats of Covid-19 we finally got the opportunity to commence our first project. APV for this exchange happened between 1 to 3 October together with Georgia and Croatia. Where we planned activities, divide the tasks, look at the accommodation and explore the island.



On October 11 the groups arrived after many hours of traveling and jumping through time zones. And on the 12th we started the day with a good breakfast and ice breaking game, everyone came together to get to know each other a little but more and to start feeling more comfortable. For most of the participants, this was their first Erasmus project, as so for the local participants. The groups were excited to discuss our topic of the week and were really passionate.



For the following days everybody got the opportunity to prepare and lead a session. From Shark Tank, the wolf of wallstreet, Hi Ha Ho to create their own business from scratch. Participants also shared their country's environmental issues, ways they think is a good way to solve it. All of these taught them how to be creative and also informed them how to get funding for their own business ideas.

Apart from all the teachable moments we also had some fun and joyful time. Participants had a day in the city to discover all the little jams the island has to offer. They interacted with locals, asking them questions and also learned some Papiamentu (local language).



Later that day intercultural evening took place, where every country presented their history, language, games and food.

During the free day everybody hopped on the colorful IRIE TOURS bus for an adventure to the West side of the island. The day started with an early morning at the mountain Christophel, where the group went hiking and later on went to 7 Boka.

The rest of the day they spent beach hopping, swimming with turtles & to finalize the day with our favorite local Food Truck, Sushi and pool party.

Four of the participants also got the opportunity to talk about the project and Erasmus+ on the national tv morning show 'MAINTA'. Salome together with Chris, Karla and Arian, where they talked all about Erasmus+, its programs and the on going youth exchange. It was a perfect opportunity for visibility on the Erasmus+ projects on the island.



By the end of the project, we can all conclude that it was a very interesting week, participants integrated more by the days. Everybody got an insight on how to build their own organic business and also how to help their local community when they get back home. The project was a success.





