

SymfoS for Youth Care Distance Training Course Development

Partners from Austria, Germany, Portugal, Spain and the United Kingdom worked hard during the last months for the realisation of the Distance Training Course. Now, it is available in all partner languages. The Training is based on the blended learning approach of the project and shall guide the user through a comprehensive understanding of the SymfoS-method. If you want to learn more about the project check [here](#).

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SFYC BLENDED LEARNING APPROACH

Pedagogical Aspects

- Self learning
- Collaborative learning
- Experience learning
- Learning & Training
- Constructive learning
- Cognitive & Social based learning
- Multiple Learning Resources
- Modular learning
- Objectives driven
- Competencies based

Virtual Environment

- Elearning
- Mobile learning
- Flexibility

Social Environment

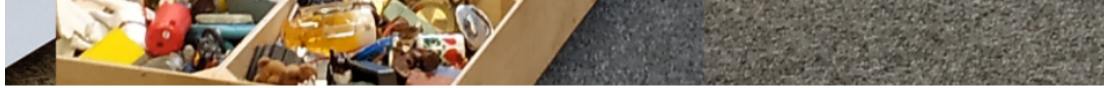
- Social interaction
- Group belonging sense
- Community development

Psychosocial Environment

- Motivation
- Curiosity
- Supported
- Oriented
- Shared
- Engagement

To enter the e-training you have to enter the e-training area and to enrol in the course. The blended-learning course is structured in 6 different modules. It covers 108.5 hours (of which 22 are face to face training, 14.5 hours are online lessons, 36 hours self-study and 36 hours implementation and documenting).

To better understand SymfoS and its impact, you can also study the different results of the project, which are downloadable for free on the website. Here, in addition to the [e-learning](#) area, you can find the [Research paper and National Adaption plans for implementing Symbol work](#), the SymfoS for Youth Care Intervention Set, the Blended Learning Approach, the [F2F Training](#), the [Guide for Support and Peer Buddy System](#), and the [Transfer Handbook for the "SymfoS for youth Care Methodology"](#).



SYMFO S FOR YOUTH CARE (SFYC) BLENDED LEARNING COURSE

SFYC Blended learning Course is an output of SymfoS for Youth care project.

This b-learning course will guide you through a comprehensive understanding of the SymfoS-method, and lead you to a certification as SFYC-practitioner. If you are interested in the b-learning course and would like to enrol, please click the button below which will take you to the video B-Learning Course. In this video you will get to know the framework and the structure of the B-Learning Course before you complete the enrollment.

Total Duration: 108,5 Hours

Face to face: 22 Hours

Online Lessons: 14,5 Hours

Self-study: 36 Hours

Implementation and documenting: 36 Hours

COURSE OUTLINE

SFYC Blended learning Course is structured in 6 different modules, ensuring a systematic and constructive learning path.

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- MODULE 1- SFYC B-learning frame
- MODULE 2- Underlying approaches
- MODULE 3- SymfoS method
- MODULE 4- SymfoS tools
- MODULE 5- Concrete fields of application
- MODULE 6- Assessment & certification

[B-Learning Course Video](#)

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National success stories for sustainable use of the method

During the piloting and implementation of the project, partners were able to establish collaborations for sustainable use of the project with relevant stakeholders in their country:

Austria:

In Austria, we plan sustainable SfYC-implementation in the field of initial vocational training for social workers, youth workers and social pedagogues, as well as for in-service practitioners. For the initial vocational training, we cooperate with the Applied University of St. Pölten, who deliver Bachelor and Master Programs in the respective fields. In the beginning of next Summer term, the SymfoS-Method will be an elective module in curriculum for all students in these fields.

For in-service practitioners, **Hafelekar** will provide open public training programmes and in-house trainings for larger service providers.

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Portugal:

SymfoS for Youth Care sustainability is guaranteed in Portugal, by several actions from **Instituto Politécnico do Porto** and **Associação A3S**:

- (1) A Portuguese reference point for SymfoS method was established, integrating different partners and stakeholders;
- (2) This structure guarantees the continuous implementation of the SfYC blended learning course;
- (3) SfYC method and tools will be integrated as contents in several units of bachelor and master courses; and
- (4) We have already a pool of 35 people/organisations (e.g., Porto City Council, national NGOs, Counsellors) who have expressed their interest in continuing to follow SfYC activities (training, information, cooperation).

Spain:

Throughout this project, the Spanish partners have created a network for implementation and training of professionals.

Colegio Oficial de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología de Andalucía has presented the SfYC Project and method in several contexts in a university environment, especially to people in their professional training as future social workers. We also contacted professionals from different organisations on national and regional level, from various fields of expertise such as psychologists, pedagogues, political scientists, social workers, social educators, secondary school teachers, professors, etc. As a result, many of these professionals from different organisations specialised in social and family mediation, child and youth care, social integration and management of third sector projects, as well as master degree students are interested in being trained as SymfoS practitioners and apply the method in their field of work.

Asociación Caminos trained and informed professionals in the field of social work and professional orientation of young people in the coastal areas of Málaga and Granada province. Another training course is envisaged to be started in October 2021.



Germany:

During the project, SymfoS training was successfully implemented and established at two universities of applied sciences in North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW):

- Catholic University of Applied Sciences NRW, Aachen (discipline: Social Work)
- Hochschule Niederrhein in Mönchengladbach – University of Applied Sciences

This University of Applied Sciences in Aachen has included SymfoS / symbol work sustainably as an integral part of its training programme "Techniques of Professional Action".

Due to the qualification of 12 social workers (**Sozialwerk** employees) as SymfoS practitioners, Symbol Work is permanently implemented in all 22 projects of the organisation and can be used to support up to 400 young people every year. In addition, **Sozialwerk** offers SymfoS training for future employees and network partners.

