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| Original language:  English | Country:  Slovakia, Germany, UK, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Malta, Romania, Bulgaria | Source**:**  CARDO | Link: [http://references-for-volunteers.eu](http://references-for-volunteers.eu/index.php?article_id=1)  (access date: 06/03/2017) |
| Target group  X Teacher / trainer  ⃝ Counsellor  X Social worker  X Youth worker  ⃝ future employer  ⃝ other: | Type of best practice  ⃝ tool  ⃝ initiative/campaign  X project  ⃝ website only  ⃝ programme  ⃝ model  ⃝ training  ⃝ learning material  ⃝ other: | | Experiences  ⃝ available for more than 5 years  X available for less than 5 years  ⃝ pilot phase / testing  ⃝ in development  ⃝ unknown |
| Summary:  8 NGOs from Germany, UK, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Slovakia, Romania, Malta and Bulgaria, all working with volunteers, formed the Grundtvig Learning Partnership “References for volunteers”. The partners have developed a European format as a basis for a **professional reference letter** for volunteers in NGOs. The key product of this partnership was a European **Guideline for NGOs** working with volunteers on how to identify and document the skills, know-how and expertise of their volunteers in a manner which is understood, recognised and valued by local, national and European employers. The Guideline is available for a free download from this website. | | | |
| If applicable: screenshot of website, logo, activity or similar: | | | |
| Description:  The aim of this project is to provide a guideline with examples to assist all NGOs in writing professional references of interest in the modern commercial and industrial world. Full version of guidelines is available on the website for a free printable download in English, Czech and German. The full version contains 4 chapters: Introduction, How to write a professional reference (letter) for volunteers, How to Raise Awareness Amongst Employers, The European Template.  Shorter version of the guidlines is available on the website**s in German, Romanian, Slovenian, Bulgarian and Czech.**  There are also examples of reference forms in PDF-Format. | | | |
| Contributing partner: QUALED | | | |