

When I think about the experience in Albania the word that comes to my mind first is “ENERGIZER”!!!! For those who “unfortunately” ignore it, energizers are those kind of group role plays that are aimed to get the participants to know each other, create a group consciousness and get them ready to work together as a team. Every day in Albania our daily routine started with an “energizer” and every single time my polemic vein and my laziness awoke to strongly disagree with that practice....but thinking about it now I have to reconsider my position because it actually worked (sorry Derand to make your job so difficult!!!!). At the end of the week I managed to break the ice with many of the participants and I had the chance to know different work modality, share practices and discuss together.

Obviously I have to say that great part of the job has been done by the curiosity and the will to understand how different country and associations face the hospitality of asylum seekers and refugees and also that the best energy actually came from the exchange with the people working in Albanian associations that shared their knowledge and gave us a good feedback about the work done and the work to do for the future. What remains in my mind after the week is the strong, proud and ENERGIZING willing to make a good job, to put our effort to create good practices and share experiences.

