

# MISSION RESPONSIBLE

## Establishing **Quality Standards** for **Youth Work** across the **World**

### Preliminary Research

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#### Country: TOGO

**1. How do you define youth work based on your experience?**

Activities that help young people to engage in informal education

**2. Is there an official definition for youth work in your country?**

I DO NOT KNOW

**3. Is youth work an officially recognised profession in your country?**

NO

**4. What is the "job description" of a youth worker? What do they do?**

They organize activities to help (give advice, support) young people with regards to many issues.

Youth workers are responsible for planning, organising and evaluate community programmes designed to address inequalities and facilitate the personal, social and emotional development of young people.

They coordinate projects, do administrative work, design new youth services that support young people's interests, give presentations, manage the budget and the resources, provide advocacy and counseling.

**5. How can one become a youth worker? Is there special training or education for youth workers in your country/ region/ local community and who provides it?**

There is no official special course or training for it. You can be trained or/and be a volunteer in international education and social projects to gain experience on youth working. There are also national NGOs that organize similar trainers.

**6. Who works with youth, except teachers, in your country/ region/ local community?**

NGO members (coordinator, animators etc)

**7. What do youth workers offer to young people through their work?**

Deeper and broader understanding of things

**8. Is there a difference between a youth worker and a volunteer working with youngsters in your organisation/ community/ country/ region?**

A youth worker could be a volunteer. A youth worker requires a special training which is not the case of a volunteer.

**9. Does your organisation cooperate with other youth organisations currently?**

- With how many from your country? Please, give a number: 5
- With how many from your local community? Please, give a number: 3
- With how many internationally? Please, give a number: 6

**10. Please, explain the background and the national, regional and local needs that make youth work important/necessary in your country/ region/ local community?**

- Government does not care
- Parents usually farmers or unemployed

**11. Is there a strategy for youth in your country?**

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