

## ***2015 European Group Work Camp - Lithuania, Birstonas 7-10 October 2015***



**"Empowering through groups: honoring your roots,  
nurturing your growth"**

Group Work Camp has become a regular event in the U.S., bringing together professional groupworkers, educators, and students to meet and share their ideas, skills, and experiences in group work. The first time the group work camp will take place in Europe will be in the small, cozy resort town of Birstonas on the banks of the Nemunas River. Facilitated by a skilled team of practitioners and educators from all over the world, a wide array of training, workshops, and activities are available for both beginning and experienced group workers. Join us at this unique event!

Registration is open now! Early-bird registration ends June 30th at a discounted registration rate of 200 Euros. After June 30th, the registration rate is 220 Euros. Registration closes on September 5th. To register, complete and email the [Registration Application](#) to Roberta M. at [r.motieciene@sgi.vdu.lt](mailto:r.motieciene@sgi.vdu.lt). Cost of the group work camp covers registration fee and 4 days accommodations, including meals.

*If you have any questions please contact:*

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## PROGRAM

### **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

- 16:00-18:00 Registration
- 18:00-19:00 Dinner and Welcome
- 19:00-20:30 "Groupwork: its place *in SOCIALWORKLAND*"  
Mark Doel, (IASWG, EU Chapter, GB)
- 20.30-21.30 „From Chaos to safety“, an opening session  
Tanja Schmitz-Remberg, Werner Lieblang, N.N. (IASWG EU Chapter; Germany)

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

- 8:00-8:45 *Breakfast, welcome and orientation to Camp*
- 9:00-11:00 „From individuals to group!“  
"Slow contact" Group activity, outside  
Paulius Godvadas (Lithuania)
- 11:00-11:30 *Refreshments*
- 11:30-13:00 Workshops (*Choose one*)
- A Facilitator "Improvisational theatre" Steven Kraft and Greg Tully (IASWG, USA)  
B Facilitator "Painting portraits" Hilda Baar (IASWG, EU Chapter, Netherlands)  
C Facilitator "Visual methods in social group work process" Lina Bartusevičienė and Nijolė Liobikienė  
(IASWG, Lithuanian chapter)
- 13:00-14:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00-15:30 Workshops (*Choose one*)
- A Facilitator "Improvisational theatre" Steven Kraft and Greg Tully (IASWG, USA)  
B Facilitator "Painting portraits" Hilda Baar (IASWG, EU Chapter, Netherlands)  
C Facilitator "Visual methods in social group work process" Lina Bartusevičienė and Nijolė, Liobikienė  
(IASWG, Lithuanian chapter)
- 15:30-16:00 *Refreshments*
- 16:30-18:30 Free-time  
Different possibilities:
  - „Network - Power“. Participants are encouraged to network, seek out mentors, and / or volunteer to mentor others.
  - SPA of Birstonas (swimming pool, massage and other possibilities). Register in advance.
  - Sailing in the river
  - Bicycling
- 18:30-19:30 *Dinner*  
Post sign-up sheets for Friday's Skill Swap.
- 20:00-21:00 Regrouping with facilitator(s)  
We will share what was experienced today, discuss what was learned, and think about how it can be applied.

## **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

8:00-8:45      *Breakfast*

9:00-10:30    Workshops (choose one)

- A Facilitator    Workshop with masks, Jurgen Kalcher, (IASWG, German chapter)
- B Facilitator    "Discovering Your Ideal Self", Katie O'Keefe (USA)
- C Facilitator    "Spiritual recovery through movement", Daniela Riccelli (IASWG, USA)

10:30-11:00   *Refreshments*

11:00-12:30   Workshops (choose one)

- A Facilitator    Workshop with masks, Jurgen Kalcher, (IASWG, German chapter)
- B Facilitator    "Discovering Your Ideal Self", Katie O'Keefe (USA)
- C Facilitator    "Spiritual recovery through movement", Daniela Riccelli (IASWG, USA)

12:30-13:30   *Lunch*

13:30-15:30   Skill Swap (in three groups). Ann Bergart (IASWG, USA)

15:30            *Refreshments followed by free time*

16:00-17.30   „From NO! to GO!“ Improv Theatre Show (IASWG, EU Chapter; Germany)

During free time participants are encouraged to network.

Campfire: National music, food, stories and dances

## **Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> October**

8:00-8:45      *Breakfast*

9:00-12:00    „Empowered, encouraged and inspired: reflecting and closing session“

12:00            *Lunch* followed by departures