



The Flash Job Campaign

June 1st – 15th 2008

3rd Call-For-Papers

May 13th 2008

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

An unusual collaboration between art, social science, community development and job-service will take place in Berlin, June 1st – 15th 2008.

The TeenKom Development Group has launched the **Flash Job Campaign** on the invitation as a main participatory event at the international Art Festival **New Life Berlin** with the motto: **Can you make things happen?**



Pressemitteilung in Deutsch:

http://www.artsourcelab.net/downloads/BlitzjobKampagne_pressemitteilung_mai2008.pdf

Mehr über die Blitzjob-Kampagne in Deutsch: <http://teenkom.de/de/blitzjobs>

Two weeks of discovery and discussion

The Flash Job Campaign is an experimental form of a conference, set in the borough of Neukoelln, Berlin, and it is a preview of the larger EU-funded project TeenKom Schoeneweide, starting its social intervention in August in the former east-Berlin borough of Schoeneweide.

The prize winning concept TeenKom, developing since 2002, will - during the coming three years - establish a platform providing training, free administration software and continual intervention and evaluation support to self-organized interest groups, which establish mini-job- (so-called "Flash Job"-) community networks operated by adolescents. The interest groups can form in the public sector (local governments, public institutions, schools etc), the market-place (one larger or 4-5 smaller companies setting up a CSR-initiative) or civil society actors (for example a group of parents). More at www.teenkom.de/en/schoeneweide

As a TeenKom Spin-Off, the Flash Job Campaign will highlight core-phenomena's of a social intervention touching upon a most sensible measure of people's hope: **Work as a mean to lead a Self-governed life**. The output of the campaign will be shaped by the qualified applicant, who can be of any profession. The campaign is hosted by the NEW LIFE BERLIN international Art Festival from www.wooloo.org/festival

The **deadline of the application** is **May 25th 2008**. www.teenkom.de/en/flashjobs

Since launching the campaign on April 18th, we have (today, May 13th):

- 6 participants - USA (Chicago, New York), Canada, Poland and Germany (Berlin, Albstadt)
- with backgrounds in art, social work, philosophy, community development and community activism.
- the campaign being featured by news channels in art and science, including:
 - Franklin Furnace Archive, Inc., New York, www.franklinfurnace.org/
 - Critical Network, UK www.criticalnetwork.co.uk/displayopportunities.php?id=87
 - fair, Zeitung für Kunst und Ästhetik (newspaper in German), www.fairarts.org

- ENCP - European Network on Community Psychology ,
<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/ENCP/message/195>

- Bildungscent e.V. - www.bildungscent.de/

- Reclaim Your City - www.reclaimyourcity.net/dates/dates.php

Applicants are typically artists with substantial experience in social work or social workers, teachers or scientists with an ambition to develop and document a process in a more spontaneous, interdisciplinary and individualized way than possible in a scientific context. The Flash Job Campaign will, however, not neglect to outline the various precautions, which make sense when intervening into the psychologically nervous environments of a socially deprived area.

The goal of the campaign is to bring citizens together in job-situations, and as a result discover and portray what happens when cooperative scenarios are established for people who would most likely never form a relationship - whether because of ethnic or religious differences, or because they belong to different social classes, age groups, gender, etc.

Supported through workshops, lectures and multimedia trainings, the Flash Job Campaign will be launched in Berlin Neukoelln, a borough said to be the hardest in the city; troubled by unemployment, stigmatized by social welfare, threatened by youth gangs, infiltrated by organized crime and energized by cultural diversity.

Community development is truly not a simple task, however, sometimes it may be good to keep things really simple. In The Flash Job Campaign we will engage in a collaboration between art, social work and community psychology in order to highlight conditions for trust and action in a neighbourhood being the nearest we come to a ghetto in a German metro-pole.

More about

- the **Flash Job Campaign** and the call for participation - www.teenkom.de/en/campaign

- the **application procedure** - <http://www.teenkom.de/en/flashjobs>

- **Flash Job Examples** - see videos - www.youtube.com/teenkom and

www.teenkom.de/en/teenkomvideos

- TeenKom and the **EU-Project TeenKom Schoeneweide** -

www.teenkom.de/en/schoeneweide

- the **TeenKom Development Group** - www.teenkom.de/en/thegroup

- about the **prize winning concept**, in development since 2002 -

www.teenkom.de/en/history

With best regards

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