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The **Ministry of Education of the Republic of Slovenia, Office of the Republic of Slovenia for Youth** hereby confirms that **DRUŠTVO ZA KULTURO IN IZOBRAŽEVANJE IMPRO (Association IMPRO)** is an association with the status of an organization in the public interest in the youth sector in order with the *The Law on Public Interest in the Youth Sector* since year 2015 with the decision nr. 021-65/2014/7 dated 14. 1. 2015 and in order with *The Law on Non-Governmental Organizations* with the decision nr. 021-65/2014/16 dated 12. 10. 2022 and the decision nr. 021-65/2014/21 dated 27. 9. 2023, when the status of an organization in the public interest in culture was added to the status of an organization in the public interest in the youth sector.

Their program is co-financed based on *The Law on Public Interest in the Youth Sector* through the institute of *Public call for co-financing of youth work programs* by the Office for Youth continuously since 2016, the latest for years 2024 and 2025.

A part of their program is also an educational program Bodigatreba+ (launched in 2002), which is a non-formal educational program for mentors of improvisational theatre groups, theatre educators, youth workers and other theatre staff. The program consists of workshops, lectures, exchanges of good practice and case studies. Yearly, both experienced and in-process mentors are involved, forming a mentor chamber. In the implementation of the program Association Impro is cooperating with several established local and international artists and educators. Through attending the program, mentors gain management and leadership skills, soft skills, skills in knowledge transfer, evaluation and reflection skills, learn how to teach different aspects of improvisational theatre, how to provide quality feedback, strengthen their pedagogical/teaching skills and gain experience in youth work and cultural and arts education. A graduate who successfully completes the one-year non-formal educational program for mentors of improvisational theatre Bodigatreba+, carried out by Association IMPRO, receives a certificate for leading youth improvisational theatre groups independently.

In addition to continuous co-financing of their program in 2023 Association IMPRO was also awarded with a national recognition for its contribution to the promotion of the youth sector by a minister of education. The national recognition in the youth sector is the highest recognition of the Republic of Slovenia for achievements in the field of youth work or its popularization, and it is awarded to the most deserving individuals, organizations and projects in the field of youth work. In the explication of the recognition a special mention on the program Bodigatreba+ is also given. For any additional information you are welcome to contact Senior Advisor in the Office of the Republic of Slovenia for Youth Aleš Susman: ales.susman@gov.si.

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