

We completed our first education "From Obedience to Responsibility" intended for pedagogical staff in kindergartens and schools, but also for all those working with children, young people and parents. Education was organised in cooperation of Familylab.hr, Familylab Srbija, and Familylab Slovenija. We are full of impressions, happy we have intensively studied, and we have been discussing challenging, demanding and unpleasant situations in working with children and parents among other themes, from module to module (6 in total). We have learned that changing the perspective, understanding of the relationship and different participation in relationship can improve its quality (which, unfortunately, pedagogical staff in their education do not have the opportunity to learn) and thus change the nature of these challenging situations. Outcomes and changes in behavior and the well-being of adults and children are significant, sometimes surprisingly fast and very visible as well as the facilitation and deep satisfaction of experts when they realize that they are not and must not be helpless in class, collective or in contact with their parents. From module to module we have always been enthusiastically discussing these tremendous and small changes, sharing their insights and joy, and after every shift, we wanted to know even more!

It is also straightforward and we are increasingly discovering how much pedagogical staff really care about the children and young people they work with and how often they feel helpless, alone or without ideas that they can do to help themselves and children, improve the relationship and atmosphere in kindergarten groups and classes, as well as to explore the possibility of their influence on relations in the collective and the direction of kindergartens and schools. Pedagogical staff are people who meet their work with other people - children, young people, parents, colleagues and unfortunately - too often the dimension of human, emotional and existential dimmed by bureaucracy, the authorities, and the chaotic system that often does not support the fulfillment of the basic psychological needs that children and adults need: to see them and to experience them, to understand their needs and the troubles they face, and to seek, jointly, through dialogue and support, the exit from an unpleasant life (school and kindergarten) situation.

Although we testify to many of us for various reasons it is difficult to do, we have learned, and we know it can! This group does not want to go here just because it's the end of education - because once you understand and you know that something is possible to change, you can not do that again and not go back to the old one! :)

If you want to join us in the next adventure - new training begins in March 2019 in Slovenia, Croatia and Serbia!