

### ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

Working and Growing together in a Global Village

## Citizenship



## Who is an active citizen?

Good neighbor

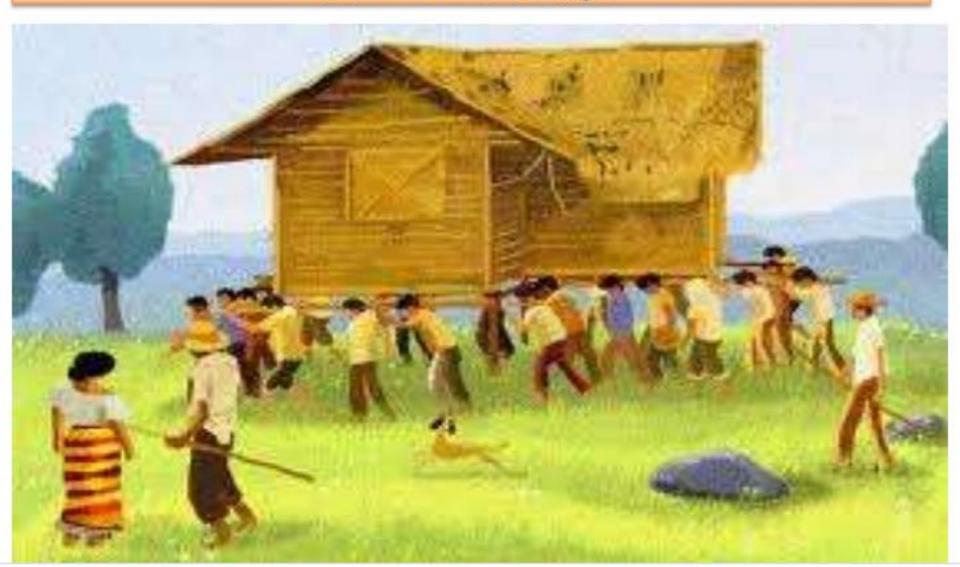
Consulted citizen

# Active citizen

Community

Manage volunteer

## Is this an active citizen?



#### Active citizens

• Active citizens are those who develop the skills, knowledge and understanding to be able to make informed decisions about their communities and workplaces with the aim of improving the quality of life.

## Active Democratic citizen

respect

courage

openness

listen

tolerance

work

## Definition of Active/Participatory Citizenship

• Participation in civil society, community and/or political life, characterized by mutual respect and non-violence and in accordance with human rights and democracy.

• All actions must be underpinned by the values of human rights and democracy

#### Definition of Active/Participatory Citizenship (Cont...)

• Active Citizenship is a form of literacy: coming to grips with what happens in public life, developing knowledge, understanding, critical thinking and independent judgment of local, national, global levels.

#### **Characteristics of Active Citizenship**

- Participation in the community (involvement in a voluntary activity or engaging with local government agencies)
- It implies action and empowerment, i.e. acquiring knowledge, skills and attitudes, being able and willing to use them, make decisions, take action individually and collectively.

## Characteristics of Active Citizenship (Cont...)

- People are empowered to play a part in the decisions and processes that affect them, particularly public policy and services
- Knowledge and understanding of the political/social/economic context of their participation so that they can make informed decisions.

## Characteristics of Active Citizenship (Cont...)

• Able to challenge policies or actions and existing structures on the basis of principles such as equality, inclusiveness, diversity and social justice.

### Why active citizenship now?

• '..the new challenge of how to prepare young people for democracy in contexts that are quite different from those that have been known in the past.'

## Climate Change/Global Warming



### Migration of Peoples



### Democracy in Europe



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# Combatting violence and extremism



### Student Voice



### New and Unknown Challenges



### Global Responses



### **Global Competence PISA 2018**

- Increasing globalization
- Interconnectedness
- Multimodal forms of communication
- Multicultural and multinational learning and work environments
- Need to prepare learners for our 21st century, global community

## PISA (Program for International Student Assessment)

- The **Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)** is a worldwide study by the <u>Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development</u> (OECD) in member and non-member nations intended to evaluate educational systems by measuring 15-year-old school pupils' scholastic performance on mathematics, science, and reading.
- It was first performed in 2000 and then repeated every three years. Its aim is to provide comparable data with a view to enabling countries to improve their education policies and outcomes. It measures problem solving and cognition.



"it has Never been about what can be done for us; it's about what can be done by us together, through the hard and frustrating but necessary work" – Barack Obama

### **Active Citizenship**

- Respect
- Honoring duties
- Being informed
- Compassion
- Active Involvement
- Working together
- Sustainable solutions
- Self development
- Safe, stable and clean environment

### What is Not Active Citizenship?

- Charitable
- Just voting
- Just protesting
- Civic membership
- NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization)
- Passive

### **Drivers of Active Citizenship**

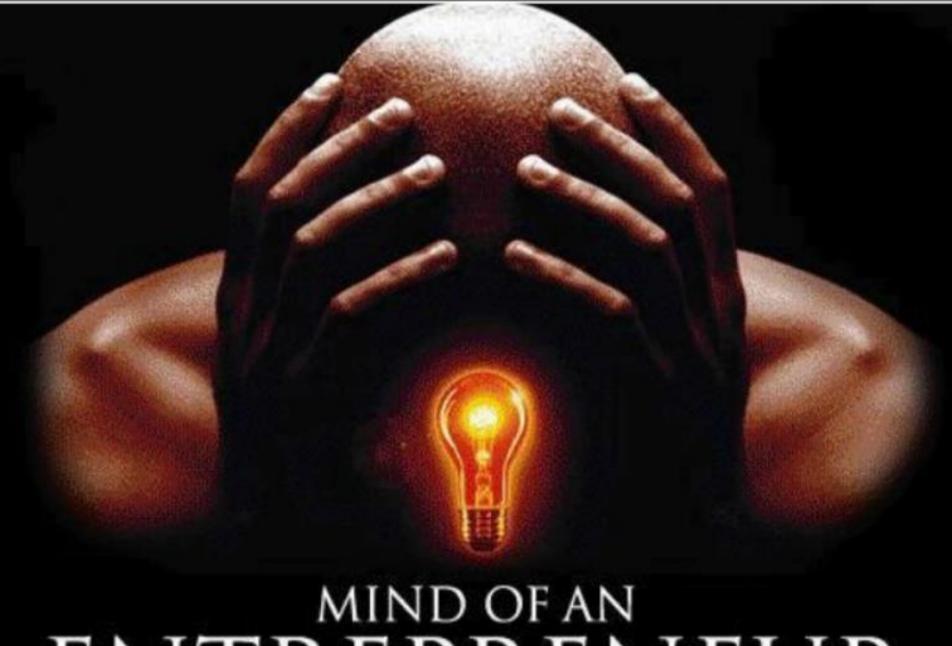
Innovation

Entrepreneurship

Productivity

Social Involvement





## ENTREPRENEUR

## All human beings are entrepreneurs.

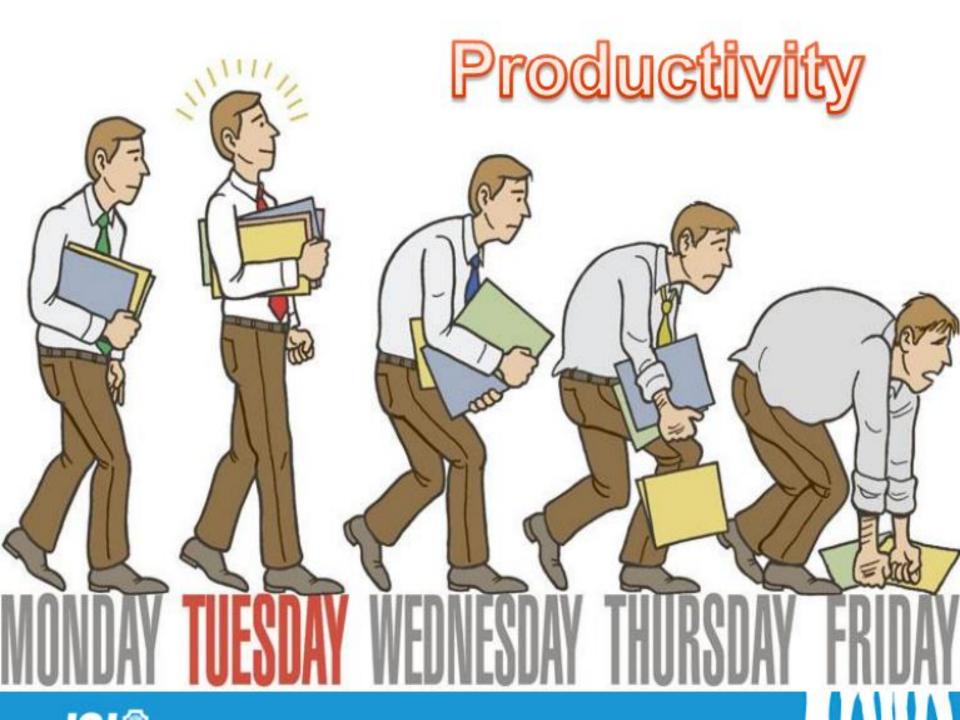
When we were in the caves, we were all self-employed... finding our food, feeding ourselves. That's where human history began. As civilization came, we suppressed it. We became "labor" because they stamped us, "You are labor." We forgot that we are entrepreneurs



#### -MUHAMMAD YUNUS

Nobel Peace Prize winner and microfinance pioneer





#### **Social Involvement**

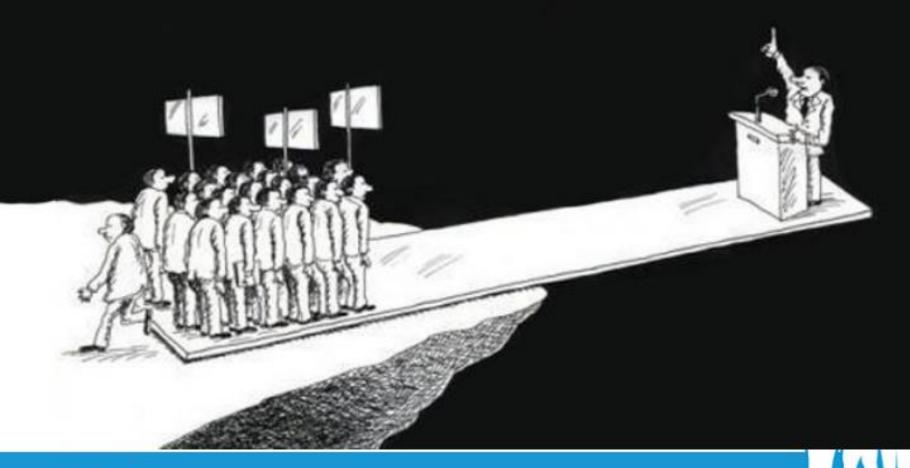






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# Power is in our hands!





#### **Fundamental**

- Mind-set shift
- Invest in Yourself
- Connect with others
- Understand the needs
- Sustainable solutions



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