

## WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO?

Kerava Civic Institute was founded in 1948 and it functions under the City Department of Leisure, Culture and Sports. The institute is owned by the City of Kerava. Kerava is a growing city and located in 30 km north from Helsinki, and has the population of 30 000.



Kerava Civic Institute offers high-quality liberal adult education for the inhabitants of Kerava and surrounding municipalities. We offer courses on Arts, Health, Sports, Handicrafts, 16 different Languages, IT, Culture, Social Science and Humanities. We also arrange lectures, short courses and Open University courses. In addition, we offer educational services for communities and firms tailored according to their needs.

The staff of the institute consists of 8,5 full-time workers and 90 part-time free lance teachers and lecturers. Annually, we have about 440 courses and 10 000 lessons. In 2010, we had 4300 net students and 7800 participants. From our courses 50% is financed by the state, 25% by the city and 25% by the course fees. In 2010, our total budget was about 1 050 000€.



## OUR PROJECTS

Kerava Civic Institute acts in several national and international development projects.

### Recent / ongoing national projects:

- “Fit for Life”, state-funded men’s sports education project.
- “Include Men”, a joint project with Järvenpää folk high school, aimed at increasing men’s participation in folk high schools, funded by the Ministry of Education and Culture.
- First-aid course for mental health. Learning to recognize mental problems.
- Developing communality through folk high school activities, funded by City of Kerava.
- Developing a system for work place counseling for managers, funded by the City.

### Current international projects:

- Lemon (Learning Communities of Modern Liberal Adult Education), 2009-2011.
- Grundtvig Handicrafts Workshop on re-cycling in summer 2011.
- Twinning city activity with cities in Germany, Sweden, Hungary, Latvia, Russia, Norway and Iceland.
- Citizens Europe, a twinning city project for exchanging youth sports groups.
- Developing multicultural activities in cooperation with a city-funded multicultural center for immigrant mothers and children.
- Application submitted for Grundtvig Learning Partnership Project 2011-2013: “LIME, Learning Town - How Can We Grow as a Multicultural City?”

