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SALTO-YOUTH  
SOUTH EAST EUROPE  
RESOURCE CENTRE



CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

## Youth Policy and Youth Employment in South East Europe

Seminar, 21st – 24th October 2009  
Brdo, Slovenia

This seminar is organised jointly by  
the Office for Youth of the Republic of Slovenia,  
the Youth Partnership between the European Commission and  
the Council of Europe and  
the SALTO South East Europe Resource Centre

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<p>OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR</p>	<p>The issue of un/employment for young people remains one of the crucial challenges for youth policy in the countries of South East Europe. This seminar aims:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. to reveal the main problems young people are facing regarding employment in the societies of South East Europe and seek for opportunities for young people.</li> <li>2. to contribute to the political debate as well as the policy development and its implementation for managing and improving the situation of employment and employability of young people in the SEE region and, consequently, in the existing and enlarging European Union.</li> </ol> <p>Sharing information about positive initiatives that have been taken already and may be developed further by various actors in this context will assist this process.</p> <p>It is crucial to see young people not only as 'victims' but also as powerful agents of change for whom the ideas of democracy, civil society, human rights, freedom of opinion and greater mobility present new chances and challenges.</p> <p>The issues that will be discussed at the seminar will focus on the following areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Context and realities of youth (un)employment</li> <li>2. Integration/Inclusion of unemployed youth</li> <li>3. Formal education-employment link</li> <li>4. Professional training</li> <li>5. Non-formal education and civic involvement</li> <li>6. Information and counselling</li> <li>7. Roles of youth research, policy making, youth work and civil society</li> </ol>
<p>WORKING LANGUAGE</p>	<p>The working language will be English.</p>
<p>NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS</p>	<p>Altogether around 35 participants having knowledge and experience in the field of youth policy and youth employment will participate in the seminar, including policy makers, researchers and practitioners. Policy makers and researchers will be invited directly.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>This call is open for practitioners only.</b></p>
<p>PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS</p>	<p>Within the framework of this call, we are looking for:</p> <p>Youth workers or youth leaders with an interest, and clear involvement in issues related to youth policy development coming from the following countries:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Greece, Montenegro, Slovenia, Serbia and UNMIK Kosovo.</p> <p>Priority will be given to applicants who are directly involved in initiatives in the field of youth employment, entrepreneurship or employability.</p>



DATES AND VENUE	<p>The seminar will be held in Brdo, a conference centre close to Ljubljana, Slovenia.</p> <p>Participants are expected to arrive until the evening of 21<sup>st</sup> October. The programme will start in the morning of 22<sup>nd</sup> October and end at lunch time on 24<sup>th</sup> October (2 2/1 working days). Departure is foreseen for the afternoon of 24<sup>th</sup> or the morning of 25<sup>th</sup> October (depending on travel possibilities). Participants are expected to stay for the full duration of the seminar.</p>
COSTS	<p>All costs will be covered by the organisers.</p> <p>Travel costs of the participants selected within this call will be reimbursed by the SALTO SEE Resource Centre or the Youth Partnership according to specific travel rules.</p>
APPLICATION PROCEDURE	<p>All applicants must apply by filling in the online application form under <a href="http://www.salto-youth.net/applicationonline/382.html">http://www.salto-youth.net/applicationonline/382.html</a> by <b>30<sup>th</sup> August 2009</b> at the latest. The online application requires registration in MySALTO. (The link leads to page in which the applicants can log into the application form directly or upon registration to MySALTO.)</p>



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