



19th – 25th March 2013

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

“1st European Youth Conference: Strengthening the Recognition of Non-formal Education in European Youth Work” in Cracow, POLAND, 19th – 25th March 2013

Dear colleagues, partners and friends,

For the “1st European Youth Conference: Strengthening the Recognition of Non-formal Education in European Youth Work” in Cracow, POLAND, 19th – 25th March 2013 we are looking for participants all over Europe.

One of the main challenges of European youth work is the recognition of the value of youth work as non-formal learning among public and private institutions as well as among the general population on one hand and the recognition of learning outcomes of youth participating in youth work activities on the other hand. Facing the challenges of the new EU program “Erasmus for all” the requested project proposal therefore focuses on the two interlinked processes of formal/political as well as social recognition of youth work and non-formal learning. The objectives of the project are:

- To facilitate the communication between the involved stakeholders
- To foster the transfer of knowledge within the EU27
- To increase the transparency and quality of YW and NFL activities

The activities are based on principles & practice of non-formal learning including various activities as open space, lectures/ speeches/inputs, floors include. exercises, simulations, which are creating situations for deeper personal reflection, followed by concentrated debriefing, work in small mixed groups, inputs, presentations & discussion of results, e.g. through fishbowl method, field trips, meetings & roundtables, workshops, free time activities & intercultural activities. The methods are based on a learning process & stimulating creativity, active participation and initiative. Last but not least is to get connected and finding synergy-effects between us and new projects under the umbrella of YiA Programme of the European Commission.

The following countries are eligible:

- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Malta
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovenia
- Turkey

Your profile:

- you're head over heels for non-formal education
- you're familiar with non-formal learning methods
- you took part at least at one YiA-Activities
- you're an active member of a NGO or youth organization
- you're able to participate active at the Youth Conference
- you're not a Youth in Action tourist 😊
- you love to share your experiences, ideas and passion

This is a open call for participants. Nevertheless priority is given to participants who are applying via the official project partners (please refer to our page as well as the provided guide).

A participation fee in the amount of 75 EUR per person is taken to cover expenses which are not covered by the YiA grant. The participants are accommodated in a Hotel. There the participants will receive breakfast, lunch and dinner. The kitchen is used to cook also vegetarian and vegan food. We will reimburse 70% of the travel costs for the YC on the basis of the cheapest possibilities.

A comprehensive guide with further information and application link is available under: <http://www.cge-erfurt.org/?p=2585>

Or apply directly via:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dExOMVpLY3BRTXM5MGt3Q3lyRG1vbGc6MQ#gid=0>

In case you cannot access the given information/links/documents please contact us directly via: recognitionfe@gmail.com

Please apply online till the 22.02.2013.

The project will be implemented in the frame of the Youth in Action program of the European Commission:

