



# "NEWCOMERS TO RURAL REALITY"

PARTNERSHIP BUILDING ACTIVITY



#### WHY ATTEND?

Join Curba de Cultură, local youth NGO from rural Romania, making big changes in a small place. In this 4 days partnership building activity we will focus on presenting the methodology that we developed in order to support young people in rural areas and to create space for future collaborations.

You can find out how we started, how it works and what makes us continue season after season. Additionally you can get to know us, our working style and what **methods** we use when working in rural areas.

This is an opportunity to **get to know the approach** Curba de Cultură has in the local community, **get inspired** for making sustainable and community-developing ideas work in your place. It is also a great ocassion to **set new and long lasting international partnerships in youth field, especially if you are a new/ fresh organization.** 



There are 2 main elements in this Partnership Building Activity:

- Getting to know Curba de Cultură we work for over 13 years in rural Romania, being most of the time a pioneer in rural youthwork and setting new standards almost every time. We would like to present to you our spaces for work and accommodation and to show you our approach and daily work style. At the same time you would discover the local reality and young people in the area.
- Create a space for the other organizations to present themselves and to foster new collaborations, ideas and maybe even project proposals. We would also like to give the space for new coming organizations to be the stars.



#### WHAT RECOMENDS US:

- opened and running 2 youth centres in rural Romania
- launched the first mobile youth centre in 2020, Tinemobilul
- organizing the first and the longest running rural festival dedicated to young people. Ruralympics reaches this year its 7<sup>th</sup> edition.
- organizing the first International Conference in Youth Work in rural Romania, reaches the 4<sup>th</sup> edition this year.
- created the 2 cultural monographs based on 2 villages in our area and 2 documentaries illustrating local life
- opened a STEAM space in one of our youth centres offering access to over 300 young people to 3D printers, graphic tablets and Lego systems
- running a local volunteering programme and an international volunteering programme
- running for 6 editions Youth Supportive Communities programme, to introduce young people (13-15) to mobilities and EU opportunities
- opened Youth Village our own space for accommodation for youth events



#### WHO CAN JOIN?

20 - 24 participants from at least 10 different countries, aged 18+ with decision power in their organization and interested in setting new and long lasting collaborations.

We are looking for legal representatives, project managers or other roles, people that can set new partnerships in the name of the organization they represent. The number of participants per organization is limited to 1, maximum 2 and we will also limit the number of organizations per country.

#### WHEN?

15th to 20th of October, so 16th to 19th the actual working days.

#### WHERE WILL IT HAPPEN?

In the Youth Village, our accommodation space located in the village of Olteni, Prahova county and its surroundings, in the south of Romania, next to beautiful Carpathian mountains.

#### PRACTICAL ASPECTS

- accommodation: participants will share rooms in groups of the same sex. Rooms are equipped with bunk beds and will host 3-6 people each.
- there are two bathrooms: **4 toilets and 4 showers** available. There is common space available inside and outside.
- towels and bed linen are provided in the accommodation
- the food will be **typical Romanian** prepared in by local cooks, therefore a typical Romanian cuisine experience
- there will be 3 meals per day (breakfast, lunch and dinner).
  Depending on the program of the day some meals will be outside the accommodation.
- if you have any special **DIETary requirements or ALLERGIES** make sure you inform us before coming here.
- Romanian food is very rich in meat and dairy so its important to be very specific when describing any dietary restrictions.





### **TRANSPORT**

We strongly encourage you to use carpooling or another green means of transport.

For trains or busses that would bring you to Romania, please use as destination the city of Ploiești (Prahova).

If you choose to fly to Romania, you should book your flights to **Henri Coandă International Airport (OTP)** next to

Bucharest. Your transfer from the airport to the venue of the seminar will be arranged by the hosting organisation. There will be a fee of **20 EUR per participant for both transfers**.

The maximum budget available for individual participants is as follows:

distance	green travel	non green travel
10 - 99 km	56 EUR	28 EUR
″ 100 - 499 km	285 EUR	211 EUR
500 - 1999km	417 EUR	309 EUR
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CALL CALLS (NO CONTRACTOR)		

#### WHAT TO BRING?

- toiletries (shampoo, shower gel etc)
- slippers for inside the house and especially for bathrooms
- any pills/ treatment you usually take as well as a medical insurance
- a jacket, it will be cold and possibly rainy
- shoes adequate for walking, mud and rain
- sweet and salty snacks (only if you'd would like to share with us:))
- materials about your organization and the work you do
- joy, good mood and experiences to share!



## **HOW WILL IT WORK?**

The first day will be dedicated to getting to know each other and getting to know the organizations present. Finding out about the people and organizations will ensure smooth further cooperation

Second day will be dedicated to exploring local community and spaces and the work of Curba de Cultură, as well as methodology and results of previous work.

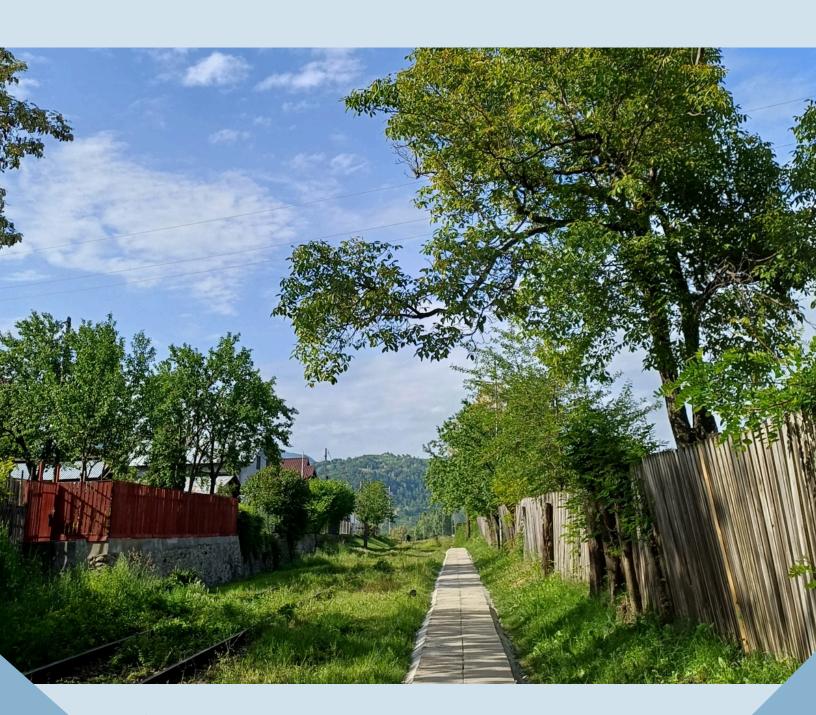
Third day - having all the main elements, the third day will focus on planning the future, finding common areas and needs and setting basics of future collaborations.

Last day comes with an action plan and setting deadlines for future work, as well as the evaluation of the PBA and the work accomplished.

We will also provide you with some snapshots in local lifestyle (such as the open air market).

# **NEED MORE INFO TO DECIDE?**

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