

DO YOU WANT TO BE HEARD?

If you are a European citizen aged between 18-28 and feel strongly about tackling issues of environmental degradation, social justice and economic equity, join us as we explore how to get your message across in the lead up to the UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) in 2012.



DEADLINE
July 31st,
2011

WHEN

The two part programme will run from August 27 to September 10. You can choose to do just the Part 1 or both.

- **Part 1:** Come to Izola, Slovenia for a 5 day training on advocacy and discussions on Rio+20.
- **Part 2:** Travel with the Peace Child team to Brussels, Bonn and London to put your training into practice at EU and UN meetings!

COST

All training costs are provided. However you will need to pay for travel to and from Slovenia if you are just coming to the 1st part; or your return travel from London if you are joining us for the 2nd part.

Application deadline: July 31st, 2011

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis so apply soon to secure your place..

Questions?

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APPLY NOW!

1. What is the project about?

European Youth Congress

An extension the World Youth Congress, the European Youth Congress (EYC) involves young people from all over Europe every other year. This year it will take place over one week in Izola, Slovenia.

The focus of EYC 2011 will be on preparing for the Rio+20 Earth Summit next year in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

You can find more information about our past congresses **on the Peace child website**

Advocacy Training

The Advocacy Training is a two-week intensive programme for young Europeans between the ages of 18-28. It starts at the European Youth Congress in Izola, Slovenia and continues include a series of meetings with policy makers and experts in Bonn, Brussels, London and PCI headquarters.

2. What do we mean by “Advocacy”?

When we talk about advocacy, we are talking about using a wide variety of methods and strategies to communicate a message about a particular issue or cause, which engages and inspires people to take action to bring about a positive change.

The methods can include online strategies to street campaigns. By the end of the training, we hope that you will be able to design and develop your own campaign around Rio+20 in your home country. We also encourage you to organise a gathering to train your friends and other young people on the strategies you learned about to make your campaign come to fruition.

3. Who can apply?

You must be aged 18-28 to apply for the EYC or Advocacy Training. We can only accept legal residents of European Programme Countries for the Advocacy Training.* If you are from a Neighbouring European Country**, you may apply for the EYC.

*Programme Countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom

**Neighbouring European Countries:

South East Europe: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Former Yugoslav, Republic of Macedonia (FYROM), Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia

Eastern Europe and Caucasus: Armenia Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Russian Federation, Ukraine

Mediterranean Partner Countries: Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestinian Authority of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Syria, Tunisia

4. When are the dates of the programme?_

EYC: 40 participants will spend 7 days in Izola, Slovenia between August 26th to September 2nd.

Advocacy Training: 20 participants will continue on the training from Izola to Bonn, Brussels, London and back to the PCI headquarters in Buntingford, UK.

5. Where can I find the programme of EYC and the Advocacy Training?

A draft programme can be found here:

<http://bit.ly/je7hEo>

6. How much does it cost?

EYC: All expenses regarding food, accommodation, and transport to any programme events will be covered in Izola, Slovenia. Participants will have to arrange and pay for their transport to and from Slovenia.

Advocacy Training: All expenses regarding food, accommodation, and transport between Izola to PCI headquarters will be covered. Participants will have to arrange and pay for their transport to Slovenia, and back from London.

7. When is the deadline for applications?

Applications close July 31st, 2011. Apply soon to secure your space! There are only 20 places for the Advocacy Training and an additional 20 for the EYC.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the coordination team at
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