

GetStarted II

Training course on youth exchange project management

Call for Participants

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3-11 March 2012, Glücksburg, Germany

- Do you want to learn more about international youth exchanges and the practical aspects of organizing international projects and activities?
- Are you interested how to bring them to success and use them for development of your own group?
- Do you want to find potential partners for your project?
- Do you want to use the IYNF networking support framework for your youth exchanges?

Then join the GetStarted II – training course on practical organization of youth exchanges and international project management!

The course is jointly organised by International Young Naturefriends (IYNF) and German Young Naturefriends (NFJD), within the networking programme of IYNF.

What is GetStarted II about?

GetStarted II is a practical and experiential training course about the basics of organising and managing international youth camps and youth exchanges, and also presents the framework of Youth in Action programme of the European Union. The YiA programme enables young Europeans to organise projects on an international level in order to meet each other, learn about other cultures and share knowledge and experience.

GetStarted II is a continuation of GetStarted I. This training course covers practical issues connected with more advanced stages of organizing a youth exchange or other international activity.

The topics covered include:

- group dynamics and leadership
- intercultural learning (also in part I but we find it an important point)
- safety issues (e.g. first aid)
- teamwork and cooperation
- conflict management
- PR → finding participants, disseminating the results, visibility of the project and YiA
- admission of participants
- Quality and impact of the exchange
- Financial management during the project
- Volunteers management
- Preparatory meeting/advance planning visit
- Evaluation and follow-up
- Practical issues: venue, food, transportation



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Traveling, meeting new people, speaking English – these are the most visible aspects of international youth work. Yet, there is so much more than that! Great fun and joy, intense learning, enjoying connection with people you know barely for few days, feeling a part of large international community, experiences very different to what you are used to from your local group. International youth work is an exciting world that awaits young brave Naturefriends from Europe to get started in it.

Program of the Training

The detailed program of the training is attached to this call.

Who is it for?

Everyone, who is:

- Interested in the practical way of organising international youth exchanges and camps within the IYNF network
- Looking forward to meet new people from all over Europe and find potential partners to really start projects after GetStarted
- Motivated to get involved in international youth work
- Between 18 and 30 years old, with exceptions possible on both sides
- Able to understand and speak English
- Working or volunteering on the local, national or international level in the field of youth work
- A newcomer, ex-participant, team member, international volunteer and so on

We can only accept participants from Slovakia, Portugal, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Romania, Belgium, Netherlands, Italy, Poland, Turkey, Latvia.

The project is for 32 participants.

With what you will you come back home:

- Competence and motivation for working in an international environment, having the necessary knowledge and support for it
- Knowing opportunities of international youth work in Naturefriends movement – networking activities, IYNF Key programmes, programmes for networking on local level etc.
- Many new contacts – to IYNF and also to other local groups and organisations
- Opportunity to get involved in future IYNF activities as project team members/leaders or (and) activities organiser
- Practical hand outs that will make the organisation of the youth exchange(s) that you would like to organise much easier

Practical information

Participants selected for the activity will receive a detailed infosheet with all practical information relating to preparing for the training, arranging travel and the venue.

The training will be ran in artefact, International Centre for Sustainable Development (<http://www.artefact.de/e/index.htm>) in **Glücksburg, Germany**, between **3 and 11 March 2012** and will consist of 7 full working days.



Participation fees

The actual costs of the whole project (preparation, travel, training, accommodation) amount to over 700 euro per participant, however, we want to offer this value to you at an affordable price, which is why we only ask for a small contribution to these costs in the form of a participation fees.

IYNF follows a policy of fair prices, dividing Europe into five regions according to the different income levels. In addition, Students and Naturefriends (members of IYNF member or partner organisation) have a combinable discount and there is a special reduction rate for Registered IYNF Volunteers. You can find the price valid for you at the intersection of your region and your status in the table below

Participation fee for the whole training

Region	%	Basic fee	NF fee	Students	NF students	Registered IYNF Vols
		100%	80%	80%	60%	40%
A	100%	105	84	84	63	42
B	85%	89	71	71	54	36
C	60%	63	50	50	38	25
D	50%	53	42	42	32	21
E	33%	35	28	28	21	14

Participation fee per day

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		100%	80%	80%	60%	40%
A	100%	15	12	12	9	6
B	85%	13	10	10	8	5
C	60%	9	7	7	5	4
D	50%	8	6	6	5	3
E	33%	5	4	4	3	2

A: Austria,

B: Netherlands, Belgium, Germany

C: Portugal, Italy

D: Czech Rep, Turkey, Hungary,

E: Poland, Slovakia, Romania, Latvia

For being a student and / or a member of IYNF we would need a proof by sending a copy of your student or membership card by fax, post or a scan per mail. If you would like to know if you are a registered IYNF volunteer or not, please send an email to ewa [at] iynf.org.

For this you get:

- 8 full days of training (7 full working days and 2 half ones) by our experienced trainers
- Food and accommodation
- 70% of your travel costs reimbursed
- A certificate of participation
- Many practical handouts, printed as well as on dvd, many new contacts and a unforgettable experience!

Assistance

We do not want money to be an obstacle for anyone to participate to our activities, on the other hand we want committed and motivated participants, who value the opportunity. Therefore, we employ the principle “pay what you can, and a little bit more”. If you are attracted by the proposed content of the activity but the participation fee or travel costs would be the obstacle for you to come, please feel welcome to contact the coordinator at ewa [at] iynf.org. IYNF has a small solidarity budget which can be distributed among participants that really need this.

Travel regulations

IYNF will provide travel reimbursement to all participants covering 70 % of total travel costs. The maximum reimbursed costs (70%) are:

- 290 EUR for travels over 1000 km,
- 250 EUR for travels not exceeding 1000 km,
- 120 EUR for travels not exceeding 500 km
- 50 EUR for travels less than 300 km.

If your expected reimbursement would be higher than these numbers consult the Networking Coordinator, Ewa at ewa@iynf.org.

For more details you can check the full text of IYNF Travel regulations for participants on the website. Please note that IYNF reimburses the cheapest and most ecological travels only. In case you need to take a plane you have to consult this with the Networking Coordinator Ewa Iwaszuk, ewa [at] iynf.org to get permission for it.

Deadline for first wave of applications: until 25th of January!

To apply you need to fill in an application form at our website <http://iynf.org>

You will get immediately an automatically generated confirmation of your application. This only means that your application was successfully processed by the system.

IYNF Secretariat will contact you as soon as the selection is made and your participation is confirmed. This will happen in several rounds.

The applicants will be notified of the results on **2nd of February 2012**.

The accepted applicants will need to confirm their attendance by **6th of February** and prove their attendance by presenting the scans of travel tickets by **9th of February**.

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IYNF is an international organisation associating Young Naturefriends and their organisations across Europe established in 1975. With its 19 member organisations that gather more than 120.000 young members organised in more than 1000 local groups, it is one of the major European youth organisations. IYNF combines three roles and identities:

1. IYNF is a **network of groups and organisations** that cooperate together. The role of IYNF core is to facilitate the cooperation by creating links, organising meeting, providing direct support and promoting it widely.
2. IYNF is a **training and exchange organisation** organising value-driven youth exchanges and capacity building activities for the benefit of its members. We do so in our core fields of outdoor programming, amateur art and environmental education. Our method is experiential and intercultural education.
3. IYNF is a value-based organisation **representing its members at the European level**. By our delegations, publications and promotion activities we stand for the core values of IYNF that are **respect, equality, solidarity, sustainability and love and care for nature**.



The project is hosted by NFJD (German Young Naturefriends), the independent children's and youth branch of Friends of Nature Germany. The German Young Naturefriends are focusing on sustainable tourism, holiday camps and trips for children and youth, non-formal education, combating extremism and nationalism, gender mainstreaming and activities in large protected nature areas.

Ecology takes centre stage with the Naturefriends. The biggest focus of the organisation – apart from nature and environment protection – is sustainability and climate protection. Getting to know and understand nature in all its complexity is a prerequisite for eco-friendly behaviour.

NFJD is a member of the International Young Naturefriends which has 22 member and partner organisations all over Europe. In this context they have participated in and co-organised many international activities, seminars and trainings. Furthermore they have collected experience and knowledge in the field of environmental and experiential education within German Naturefriends structures. NFJD wants to use international network to share this expertise with the given field and together develop new innovative approaches for attractive environmental education for young people in Europe.





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