*CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS for the training course:*

* GREEN LEADERS –

*active youth participation vs. global environmental and climate change*



*“Sustainability – Getting Started”*

Are you interested in sustainable development?

Looking for the ways how to reduce the environmental impact in youth projects?

Curious about how to create events closer to zero environmental impact on globe?

If yes, this call might be for you!

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**ORGANIZER:**

Youth for Exchange and Understanding (YEU) is an international Non-Governmental Youth Organisation established in 1986 and member of the European Youth Forum in Brussels and considered by the CoE and the EU as a European level non-governmental organisation. YEU looks forward to increase tolerance and awareness between different countries, cultures and traditions, and to promote a greater level of comprehension through the development of youth activities such as; youth exchanges, seminars, conventions, meetings, study visits, training courses, development of educative manuals. The main aim of YEU is to promote peace, understanding and co-operation between the young people of the world, in a spirit of respect for human rights.

Visit our website for more details about YEU: [www.yeu-international.org](http://www.yeu-international.org/)

**PARTNERS:**

* Federation of Young European Greens (Belgium)
* TOG –Community Volunteers Foundation (Turkey)
* Esser Huma (Spain)
* JUB - Jongeren voor Uitwisseling en Begrip (Netherlands)

**MAIN IDEA OF THE ACTIVITY:**

 “**Green leaders** – active youth participation vs global environmental and climate change” is 2 year project focus on a theme: *sustainable development – how to reduce our environmental impact in youth organizations everyday management and youth projects management as a tool to combat environmental and climate change.*

The main aim of the project is to gather experience, information and knowledge on sustainability from different stakeholders such as local NGOs, local municipalities and institutions, regional authorities, international organizations and non-organized youth during several activities with an aim to create guidelines on how to reduce the environmental impact in projects lead for and by youth and create events closer to zero environmental impact on globe.

During the 2 years of the project, many different activities (Training Courses, Job Shadowing, Seminar, Networking building activities, Online activities, etc) will be implemented within the corporation of partners.

The first training course of the Green Leaders **“Sustainability – Getting Started!”** will be held in **Mollina, Spain** between **14-23 September 2012**.  The 8 day training course will gather 24 youth workers, youth leaders, managers and volunteers of the partner organizations to explore and learn about the main principles and aspects of sustainability and ecological footprint within youth organizations and youth projects together with the general aspects of environmental thinking and green behaviour across Europe and the world.

Training course will increase the capacity of our organizations to prepare and run youth activities with less possible impact on environment but also implement in daily activities of the organisations through the organisational policy and its implementation.

**WORKING METHODS**

The training will be based on non-formal education methods, encouraging active participation of young people involved.

* Ice-breakers, energisers.
* Inputs from experts
* Simulations, role plays
* Intercultural and experiential learning
* Variety of visuals for thematic input
* Brainstorming and discussions both in working groups and in plenary.

**WORKING LANGUAGE**

The working language of the training course will be English.

**ACCOMMODATION, TRAVEL AND FINANCES**

YEU will cover all costs related to accommodation, and 50% of travel costs (cheapest way) from the resident country. The eligible countries are:



**There is no participation fee.**

**DOCUMENTS FOR REFUND:** participants are obliged to have receipts of the ticket, boarding pass and invoices of credit card that was used for buying the tickets for online payments. All participants will be refunded after the event**.**

**PROFILE OF PARTICIPANT**

Priority will be given to those that most closely meet this criteria:

* Youth leaders, youth workers, volunteers very motivated to act in their sending organisation
* Are over 18 years old
* Have an interest in the topic
* Willing to learn & motivated to share experience with others after the event
* Are able to work in English
* Are committed to attend for the full duration of the training
* Are nominated by their youth organisation
* Ready to put in practice the learning outcomes in local level as a green leader after the event!

Gender balance, group diversity in terms of different social and cultural backgrounds will be taken into consideration.

**HOW WILL THE SELECTION BE CARRIED OUT?**

In order to apply candidates must send completed application form and nomination letter from their Youth Organisation which should be e-mailed to YEU Administrative office.

Applications to be emailed latest **August 10th, 18h CET** strictly to: pelin@yeu-international.org

**APPLICATION FORM**

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| **Name of the Organisation** |  |
| **Function in the organisation** |  |
| **First name** |  | **Surname** |  |
| Female [ ]  | Male [ ]  | Personal Address |  |
| Postal Code | City | Country |
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| Phones | Area Code | Number | **Technical info**  |
| Date of Birth  |  |
| Work |  |  | Place of Birth  |  |
| Home |  |  | Visa needed  | Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |
| Fax |  |  | Passport number  |  |
| Mobile phone  |  |  | Issued (date & place)  |  |
| E-mail |  | Valid until  |  |
| **BANK DETAILS (refund)**  | Issued by  |  |
| IBA*N:* |  | Embassy or Consulate responsible to issue Visa |  |
| SWIFT |  |
| Account holder  |  |
| Name of the bank: |  |
| Address of the bank: |  |

**Please complete the following questionnaire:**

* Why do you want to participate in this event?

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* Do you have any previous experience on the theme of training course?

If yes, please share with us.

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* What are your ideas about the role of young people and youth organizations in order to reduce their environmental impact in youth organizations’ everyday management and youth projects management?

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* Have you already attended any YEU International events? (Which?)

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* How are you going to contribute to the success of the Training Course?

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* How do you think you can continue to work on local level after this training course?

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* Are you available between the September 14th and 23sth to be in Spain?

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* Do you have any special needs?

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* Language Knowledge: Are you able to work in English?

 Yes[ ]  No[ ]

Thank you very much!

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ALL THE BEST, YEU International