

Organisers

This Study visit will be organized by DYPALL Network in cooperation with Las Niñas del Tul.

DYPALL Network (Developing Youth Participation at Local Level) is a European network of over 50 civil society organizations and local authorities from more than 30 countries, that aims to involve young people in decision-making processes at local level, and thus enable municipal and regional authorities to address the



needs and interests of youth, engage young people as active actors of problem-solving and increase the level of ownership, commitment and involvement of an important part of our communities. YP Lab is a resource and mobility centre within DYPALL Network with the focus on research development and capacity building in the field of local youth participation.

For more information: www.dypall.com

Las Niñas del Tul is an association from the city of Granada that is supporting and helping young people and groups to start creating projects and activities, providing them training and information about ways of active participation, with special focus on EU frameworks, and mechanisms regarding those issues, and facilitating contact between them. Inclusion is an inherent part of their mission, therefore while based in Granada, they work in the whole province, frequently focusing on rural areas in order to reach a wider range of youth, who would otherwise have less opportunities.

For more information: www.lasdeltul.net

Study visit

This Study visit is designed for **municipality officers** and **youth workers** from Sweden, Portugal, Greece, Finland, North Macedonia, Spain, UK, Latvia, Poland, Turkey and Italy.

The project focuses on the local dimension of youth participation based on the belief that youth with its energy has the creativity and potential for change and to be a source of solutions for our society's challenges, and that these challenges need to be addressed at the local level, starting from the grassroots, where youth work has its strongest impact and where local actors can cooperate and contribute to policy reforms at the local level but also influence national and European policy processes becoming relevant actors in setting the agendas that will affect their lives. As follow-up to the work done by DYPALL Network and its partners in "Boosting youth participation at the local level 1" Study visits in Portimão (Portugal) and Borlänge (Sweden) in

2017 and 2018, we have recognised the importance of further exploring the dimension of **youth participation in decision-making processes at the local level**, with a specific focus on participation of young migrants and young people with migrant background, as well as **of youth from rural and geographically isolated areas**, and especially to **share practices** that are already being implemented to adapt them to one's own reality and reinforce existing programs.

"Boosting youth participation at local level 2" will include two Study visit, to Granada (Spain) and Stockholm (Sweden). This Call for participants is *only* for participating in the Study visit in Spain. There will be a separate Call published for the Study visit in Sweden.

Objectives

The specific objectives of this Study visit are to:

- explore, experience and understand the specific challenges to youth participation in decision-making processes in low-density and geographically remote areas;
- visit examples of good practice and based upon interaction with the project organisations and filter out elements to transfer to own reality;
- offer possibilities for long-term partnership building among organisations active in the field of youth participation at local level, for future projects;
- create a collection of best practices of youth participation in geographically isolated/low density areas.

Participants' profile

This study visit is targeting **youth workers** and **youth municipality officers**. Moreover, the participants must be:

- able to work in English;
- willing to contribute with their experience to the Study visit;
- residents of Sweden, Portugal, Greece, Finland, North Macedonia, Spain, UK, Latvia, Poland, Turkey or Italy;
- able to attend the whole duration of the Study visit;
- have relevant experience in the topic of youth participation in decision-making processes at the local level;
- highly motivated towards learning about local youth policies and models of youth participation in decision-making at the local level.

Two participants will be selected **per country**, namely:

1. Municipality officer working in the youth departments of the municipality.
2. Local youth worker working with and for youth and young people, particularly young people from rural/geographically isolated areas.

Practical information

- **Arrival day** is 1st March 2020 (preferably by 6 pm), and **departure day** is 6th March 2020.
The arrival and departure place is Granada;
- Travelling **maximum** 2 days before **or** 2 days after the designated travel dates is allowed in which case the costs of stay for the extra days will *not* be covered by the organisers;
- **Flight tickets** shall be bought **only after confirmation from the organizers**. Travel expenses to and from the venue will be reimbursed up to a maximum per country/per participant (including all travel costs from the participants' home to the venue in Granada): Portugal – 180€; Italy, UK – 275€; Poland, Turkey, Sweden, Greece, North Macedonia – 360 €; Latvia, Finland – 530€;
- **Reimbursement** will be done via bank transfer **after** the Study visit upon the receipt of all tickets and invoices (approximately in one month);
- **Accommodation** will be provided by the organizers in shared rooms of 2 or 3 people. There is no possibility to be accommodated in a private room;
- **Meals** will be provided for the full duration of the event starting from dinner on arrival day and finishing with breakfast on departure day;
- An **info pack** with further details on accommodation and programme will be shared with the selected participants;
- There is **no participation fee**.

Registration procedures

To apply for participation in this Study visit, please **fill in the online registration form**:

<https://forms.gle/FCHso4dbyzrC5bMn6>

The deadline for applying is **9th February 2020 by 12 p.m. (midday) CET**.

Funding

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