



3rd Europe-Western Balkans Youth Meeting: Using the EU youth programmes as vehicles for initiating positive societal change

06.-09.04.2020.

Venue on the Montenegrin coast

OBJECTIVES

1. Taking stock and celebrating the cooperation and participation of the Western Balkans in the EU youth programmes (Erasmus+ and ESC)
2. Critical review of the opportunities for cooperation with the Western Balkans offered by the new EU youth programmes
3. Exploring the linkage between the EU youth programmes and the further development of youth work, youth policy and research
4. Exploring the issues that are relevant for young people and that therefore could be tackled in transnational cooperation projects (connected to 11 youth goals of the EU Youth Strategy and see how they are relevant for the WB)
5. Providing space for contributing to the process of designing future cooperation with neighbouring partner countries (in the new EU youth programmes) (with reference to NA strategy)
6. Offering space and time for quality networking in the EU – WB context

DRAFT PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Monday 6.4.2020.

Arrivals

17.00-19.00 Getting to know each other

Exploring and celebrating the achievements from cooperation, Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps

19.00-20.00 *Dinner*

20.00-22.00 **Celebrating project results and products**

Tuesday 7.4.2020.

- 9.30-11.00 **Purpose and history of EU – Western Balkans Youth Meeting(s)**
- 11.00-11.30 *Refreshment break*
- 11.30-13.00 **Exploring the Linkage between Youth Work, Youth Policy and Youth Research with the European Youth Programmes Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps, part I**
- Exploring different practices in the youth field, their impact on youth and their links with the Programmes
- 13.00-14.30 *Lunch*
- 14.30-16.00 **Potential and opportunities of Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps**
- Introduction to developments regarding the new generation of EU youth programmes
- Networking spaces
- 16.00-16.30 *Refreshment break*
- 16.30-18.00 **Linkage of Youth Work, Youth Policy and Youth Research with the European Youth Programmes E+ and ESC, part II**
- Laboratory with key practitioners in the youth field sharing their approaches and ideas
- 19.00 *Dinner*

Wednesday 8.4.2020.

- 9.30-11.00 **Cooperation with Neighbouring Regions in the European Youth Programmes**
- Taking stock of successful cooperation, Introduction to ongoing process of designing cooperation in the new programmes
- Networking spaces

11.00-11.30 *Refreshment break*

11.30-13.00 **Impact of Cooperation Projects**

Workshops on successful cooperation projects having an impact on developments in youth work, youth policy, youth research

13.00-14.30 *Lunch*

14.30-16.00 **Impact of Cooperation Projects**

Living library with institutions supporting European and regional youth cooperation

16.00-16.30 *Refreshment break*

16.30-18.00 **Joint issues for Cooperation Projects supported by the European Youth Programmes**

Exploring topics/themes that are relevant for young people today across Europe

19.00 *Dinner in town*

Thursday 9.4.2020.

9.00-11.00 **Networking Unwrapped**

Taking stock of examples of successful cooperation and their added value by NAs and Ministries

Exploring ideas/initiatives for networking and cooperation

11.00-11.30 *Refreshment break*

11.30-12.00 Evaluation and closing

12.30-14.30 *Lunch*

Departures