

# INFOPACK

A contact-making event for young people who have experienced youth exchanges and want to develop own projects that promote intercultural learning and diversity among peers

## "Laboratory for Developing Youth Exchanges"

## 8-15 January 2022

Kemer (45 km from Antalya) Turkey

Application Deadline: 1 December 2021 Application Form: https://l24.im/tHnml

#### MAIN IDEA

The main idea of this contact making event (CME) is to gather 32 youth workers to develop future Youth Exchange (YE) projects together with a focus on including young people of their local communities who typically are left out of such projects.

Participants of the CME will be active youth leaders, volunteers who are ready to make a next step and take responsibilities, youth workers, social workers, teachers from partner organizations. As all of them have some connection with outdoors - it may eventually serve as common theme or approach. Nevertheless participants may offer other themes too. "After all the very essence of YOUTH EXCHANGE projects is that these should be the projects BY the young people & FOR the young people & WITH the young people." the truth

# Contents

- My motivation to be involved as a learner and youth leader in YE
- Understanding needs and interests of young people
- What does it mean REAL Intercultural learning, diversity and inclusion in YE context and tools
- Priorities of Erasmus+ and understanding how YE work
- Partnership-building
- Developing concrete youth exchanges formulating idea, developing programme, writing it down in the application and receiving feedback in order to improve it
- Agreeing on further plan in order to submit the application and implement the YE

Before the CME all participants will prepare their home work by presenting and discussing their future project ideas within the Facebook group. During the CME they will bring these ideas together and jointly elaborate concrete 6-7 YE draft projects. And after the CME as a follow up activity participants will finalise, submit (in February or May deadline) and implement their YE projects reaching young people in their local communities.

IF you want to find out how youth exchanges work and to have the space to sit down with potential partners and work on YOUR youth exchange idea that you could later on apply for and implement, this is a project for you!!!

#### **PROJECT TIMELINE**



#### **PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS**

• Currently involved in working with young people – work with youngsters 13+ with whom they have a good connection

• Interested to get involved in youth work even more by taking responsibility of developing a YE related to promoting common European values and becoming a host or group leader and involving local youth including also young people that are currently "left out"

• Ready to actively participate in the whole project and have time

• Have serious intentions with the help of sending organization to apply (for February or April/May deadline) and implement YE in summer/autumn 2022

• Open to challenge themselves and learn

• Fluent in communication in English

Due to unique character of the project, it is very crucial for us that Partner organisations spread the information through suitable channels and select relevant participants (we keep the right to reject participants that do not fit the profile).

## PARTNERS AND PARTICIPANTS

32 participants from Czech Republic, Denmark, Greece, Estonia, Italy, Latvia, Portugal, Romania, Germany and Turkey. 4 participants from Latvia and Turkey, 3 participants per from other partner organizations.



#### **COVID SITUATION AND OUR APPROACH**

The situation of COVID-19 pandemic is still dynamic in all of our countries, so, we can understand that for many of you it might not be easy to make a decision to join the project. We want to assure you that from our side, as organizers, we will be doing everything we can to make the participation in the training as safe as we can. However, it is also very important that also each of you cooperates and contributes to this by being ready to invest extra time and efforts to make it possible.

- We will follow the actual information about the travel restrictions and safety requirements in Turkey and keep you informed about them so that we can all follow them.
- We also ask you to be aware about the requirements in your country (also after coming back from Turkey).
- The current rules allow people from all project countries with and without COVID vaccination to enter Turkey and participate in the training. Surely, it is much more smooth for people who have already received 2 doses (they do not need to do any tests). So we decided, that it is the only way to participate.
- We ask all participants to be insured by good insurance so that in case of need for hospitalization, your costs are fully covered.
- All participants will need to book travel tickets (flight, bus, etc.)
- You have to check the regulations regarding traveling from your country to Turkey.
- In order to stay safe and avoid any misunderstandings, we expect all participants to treat the COVID restrictions seriously and respect all safety rules. After all critical thinking, respect for others and belief in science is crucial part of working with young people too !!!

#### TRAVEL AND FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

The training course will be implemented in the framework of EU Program.

The accommodation and food will be covered fully. Nevertheless, the organizations/participants should be ready that they will have to invest own money in buying the tickets to Antalya and reimbursements will be done only AFTER participants have implemented their follow up activities and informed about them the main coordinator So, as follow up activities might take some weeks to implement, be ready to receive the reimbursements around the end of March/April 2022.



As a contribution to the project, we will be expecting participants from all countries to provide snacks from their country to one of the coffee breaks.

#### **IMPORTANT!**

- Make sure you have a valid (not expired) ID card (is it enough?)or a valid Passport.
- Keep all your boarding passes, invoices and traveling tickets otherwise we will not be able to make any reimbursements.
- Only public transportation will be reimbursed (e. taxi at your own expense.)
- Once you have chosen a flight connection, please consult with us! Please note that only when we give you green light for the connection and price, you are allowed to buy tickets.
- Travel cost reimbursement will be done after the training to the account of the partner organisations. In order to do, so all tickets should be saved and also planned follow up activities (implemented and documented.)

#### Dates

Arrival in training location:	08 January 2021
Departure:	15 January 2021

Please note that although Turkey is very nice and tempting country for tourism, during our programme there will be no time for that...so, if you wish to visit some places (we can give you advices...), you are welcome to arrive earlier/leave later from Turkey (and pay for your extra stay yourself).



#### **ACCOMODATION AND VENUE**

HOTEL: Kemer Mesleki ve Teknik Anadolu Lisesi Uygulama Oteli ANTALYA-KEMER HoteL Address: Dervis Eroglu, Yeni Mahalle, Dörtyol Blv. No:5, 07980 Kemer, Turkey https://www.uygulamaotel.com/2018/06/kemer-uygulama-oteli-antalya.html You will share your room with another participant.

#### TEAM

The Hosting organization

Kultur & Art Initiative e.V. was established in 2002 and is an intercultural and intergenerational non-profit association with members from different nations, age groups and with different careers who have got work experience inYouth, non-formal education and media education for many years. Kultur & Art Initiative e.V. works in the fields of youth policy and youth work development.

The Trainers Ieva Grundsteine (Latvia)





## How to apply?

## leva Grundsteine (Latvia)

She has been actively involved in non-formal education field since 2001. She has tried out different roles at different times – being a participant, support staff, project coordinator, President of her own youth NGO and now she is mostly a free-lance trainer and consultant/expert. She has carried out more than 200 trainings.

https://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toy/ieva-grundsteine.1858/

## Antonio Benaches Bodí

His profile as trainer is a mix of SCOUTING (his starting in youth participation and volunteering), ICT (his educational background in the field of Computer Sciences) and a bit of FREAKNESS (all-kind-games, juggling, outdoors, inclusion work...). Life-long learner, always trying to improve and discover new things.

https://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toy/antonio-benaches-bod.2424/

To apply, submit your application form until December 2 online: If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask: info@kultur-art.com Preliminary programme (some changes surely are possible) Application link: https://l24.im/tHnml

Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	Day 8	
8:30-09:30		Breakfast							
		Official Opening &		Presentations groups on		Project development:	Project development VI:		
09:30-11 :30	Arrivals	Introduction	Understanding Youth Exchanges - why it is relevant for you, organization, young people, Europe	topics related to: non- formal learning, active participation, intercultural learning, Youthpass, Inclusion	Creating project partnerships - based on needs and interests	Partners responsibilities, project management Learning process, outcomes, impact and results (&risks)	Plan and calendar of the work. Application, questions, answers, Share the task in the group		
		Getting to know each other							
11:30	1	Coffee break							
		Expectations, contribution, approach, methodology, programme		Tools for Youth Exchanges	Project development Needs	Project development:	3rd check in - presentation of results in developing projects,		
12 :00-13 :30			Life cycle and crucial elements in YE - how to assure quality	Partnerships in the YE projects	and interests of young people and community and ideas about the themes of the project, aim and objectives	Different tools to evaluate the projects and do DEOR	feedback from the participants and action plan		
		Intro to Youthpass and Learning Diary				1 1 1	1.000	Farewell and departure of	
13 :30-15 :30				և	inch	1/1		participants	
15 :30-17 :00		Trust and group-building + Learning contract	Living Library - stories from YEs and E+ projects on Diversity, Intercultrual Dialogue and Inclusion	Informal time together in potential partnerships	1st check in - presentation of results in developing projects, feedback from the participants (peer-to peer consultations)	Partners responsibilities, preparatory tasks, project management	Summing up the learning outcomes of project and Youthpass		
17 :00-17 :30	1	Coffee break							
		Working as a Team,	Exploration in groups:		Project development:	2nd check in - presentation of results in developing projects,	Follow-up and evaluation		
17 :30-19 :00	Getting to know each other	Difficulties and	non-formal learning, active participation, intercultural learning, Youthpass, Inclusion		Programe and activities (emphasis on intercultural learning and active participation of paxs)	feedback from the participants (peer-to peer consultations)			
		Challenges		1, 1, 1	1 1 1 1 1	110	Closing		
19 :00-19 :30	1 -	ReflectionTime ReflectionTime							
19 :30	Welcome dinner	Dinner							
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