

Action 3.1, Youth in Action
Study visit project proposal

YOUth Work 2014



Education and Culture DG

'Youth in Action' Programme

Study Visit Description:

The recent years have been a period of great change for the Romanian youth workers. The main objective of the visit is to provide the individuals involved with a greater understanding of youth policy, education, science and culture in Romania. The study visit can function as an important tool to strengthen long-term relationships in youth projects, youth activities and intercultural relations through mutual understanding and the exchanging of ideas between EU and EECA countries. This study visit strengthens the youth cooperation and supports regional and in the same time develop dialogue about issues of personal identity, nationality, culture and active citizenship.

Study Visit Content:

The study visit will provide to participants an opportunity to learn about youth work realities in Romania. These are a tool for the exchange of experience and good practice, consultations or policy development etc. with regard to Romanian realities in the youth and youth policy field.. The project will assist in finding partners, developing youth work skills, preparing for future projects, building translational partnerships, and developing co-operation with Caucasus countries. Building co-operation and project partnerships Activities for partner-finding; investigating new project ideas; setting up networks; exchanging experience and practice on aspects of youth work. This study visit aimed at improving the quality or creating new projects under focusing on inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities via local, regional and national activities.

Aims and Objectives:

The project is aiming to enable youth workers to discover youth work realities in Romania in order to foster long term cooperation between EU and EECA countries.

Project objectives:

- To get to know with wide range of Romanian organisations working with young people on different levels and organisations from different part of Europe;
- To present profiles and experience of participating organizations and to get acquaint with the youth organization which are working in the regions;
- To build new partnerships between Programme Countries and partners from Eastern Europe and Caucasus;
- To inform about possibilities for future co-operation and increase dialogue and co-operation between these projects at national and regional level ;
- To promote closer regional co-operation and inter-ethnic dialogue between youth NGOs in the different countries of Europe;
- To establish of partnerships and contacts between Romanian youth NGOs and from in other parts of Europe;
- To promote sustainable contacts between the youth NGOs aiming at future development of projects within the Youth in Action Programme

Study Visit Methodology:

The programme of activities is based on methods of non formal education. We intend using advanced non formal education techniques such as:

- Simulation, role play, ice breakers, working groups;
- Presentation of participants and organisations;
- Site visits to different youth organisation;
- Project Market - time for planning common, future projects ;
- Presentation of participants and organisations;
- Study visits to hosting organisations;
- Analysis of the local community context and needs, local/regional organisation;
- Promote networks and co-operation among local actors working with young people

Programme elements:

- Presentation of participants and organisations;
- Presentation of the Youth in Action Programme with special focus on "Third countries co-operation" ;
- Visits to different youth organisation ;
- Presentation of the youth work reality in the Romania;
- Project Market - time for planning common, future projects;

Applicants should fulfil following criteria:

- To be representative of the youth organisation or organisation working with young people, who is able and authorize on behalf of its organisation to create future projects ideas;
- Must have basic knowledge about Youth in Action Programme on decentralised level;
- Preferable having experience from minimum 1 multilateral youth exchange (other non-formal education experience will be additional advantage);
- Should be prepared to participate in follow-up or evaluation activities organised by us;
- Should be prepared to actively attend and contribute during the full duration of the SSV;
- Be motivated to develop their knowledge and competence the specific field and to share their experiences with other participants;
- Have some experience in developing youth activities in local/national level and be well informed about the activities they were involved and be prepared to present and explain their function to other participants;
- Commit themselves to their function for future activities in the field of youth policy and be prepared to pass on the others the knowledge and skills gained during this visit.

Conditions:

The SV is scheduled for **late in May 2014** and will be **hosted in Drobeta Turnu Severin, Romania**. Financial support is under the European Commission's "Youth in Action"-programme granting scheme. If approved, all costs will be covered except for **30% of the international travel expenses**. The working language of the project is **English**.

Countries:

We are seeking project partners from:

EU countries	Eastern Europe and Caucasus
Bulgaria	Armenia
Estonia	Azerbaijan
France	Belarus
Greece	Georgia
Italy	Moldova
Latvia	Russian Federation
Romania	Ukraine

Time plan and venue:

October 1th 2013, submission of the application form under Youth in Action Programme

Date of the Study Visit: May, 2014

Venue: Drobeta Turnu Severin, Romania

Group and duration:

Group: 1 representative from each partner organisation,

Duration of the activity will be 5 full working days (plus arrival and departure)

As we need to apply in October 1th deadline, please be as fast as possible in expressing your interest to join the partnership.

We are looking forward to your answers...

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