



# Youth in Action



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**World Water for Youth  
Youth Exchange  
Armenia, April 1-10 2014**

**Information pack**





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# About project

**Date: Arrive on April 1 and depart on April 10**

**"World Water for Youth" is a youth exchange organized by Serund Pan-Armenian Youth Center". The project objective is to focus attention of young people on importance of freshwater resources and their preservation. Then sessions and workshops will take place in Armenia. The target group is formed of 45 youth workers, trainers, youth leaders from 9 countries: Armenia, Portugal, Ukraine, Russia, Greece, France, Czech Republic, Italy, Georgia.**



**The aims of the project are:**

- 1.to focus attention of young people on importance of freshwater resources and their preservation**
- 2.to voice the issue on local and international level through creativity**
- 3.to contribute to global management of freshwater resources on local and international levels.**

**<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tpwNgd4RjLo>**



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# Armenia

Armenia is a small country in the southern part of Transcaucasus. It shares a border with Turkey to the West, Georgia to the North, Azerbaijan to the East and Southeast, and Iran to the South. Armenia covers an area of 29,800 sq. km. The country's territory extends some 360 kilometers long and 200 kilometers wide, with most of the territory lying 1,000 meters to 2,500 meters above sea level. Armenia's highest mountain is Mount Aragats (4,090 meters). The sunshine ratio reaches to 2,700 hours a year.



The country is situated on the same latitude as Spain, Italy and Greece. Its climate ranges from dry subtropical to cold mountain weather. In plateaus and foothills (where Yerevan is located) the climate is dry and continental with hot summers and moderately cold winters. The average temperature in July is +25°C, and -5°C in January.



Armenia has deposits of a variety of minerals and rocks: copper, molybdenum, gold, polymetallic and iron ores, etc. The country is rich in more than a thousand curative mineral springs. There are over 215 rivers in Armenia, belonging to the Caspian Sea basin. They are turbulent and unfit for navigation but have great hydropower potential, which has been utilized for production of electricity and for irrigation.



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There are more than 100 mountain lakes in Armenia. The largest among them is Lake Sevan, situated at an altitude of 1,900 meters above sea level. Forests (predominantly beech, hornbeam, oak, elm, maple, plane, ash, pine, and fir) cover about 13% of the country's territory and can be found mainly in the northeast and south.

The fauna of Armenia includes rare species of animals including roe deer, boar, Syrian bear, lynx, moufflon, bezoar goat and birds such as sparrow, woodcock, robin, warbler, tomtit, woodpecker, mountain turkey, horned lark, bearded vulture. Armenia is the first in the world with the most diverse flora, falling at one square meter of alpine meadows.



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# Organizer

## Serund Pan-Armenian Youth Center Armenia



"Serund PYC" is a Pan-Armenian youth organization, which purpose is to develop theoretical and practical knowledge of the Armenian youth, raise its role in Armenia and in the international arena. It is a platform where people can develop their leadership and organizational capacity through team work and exchange of experience. The organization promotes the responsible and organized young generation, which will retain their cultural identity. "Serund PYC" aims to develop youth potential, to encourage an open youth work and unite the Armenian youth all around the world. The organization also tries to develop scientific-political understanding and experience and to establish contacts with international organizations while using those links for the development of the youth. Preservation of the Armenian culture meanwhile introducing the youth to different cultures is another essential goal of the organization.

### The Aims of Serund PYC

- To develop the theoretical knowledge and practical skills of Armenian youth
- To encourage the open youth work
- To raise the role and authority of Armenian youth in Armenia and international area
- To unite Armenian youth in the world
- To promote creation of the organized and responsible generation
- To raise youth experience through team work and exchange of experience
- To promote reception and development of practical skills by young people
- To develop experience and understanding of scientific and political processes among youth
- To establish communications with international organizations
- To promote preservation of Armenian national culture by youth of Armenia
- To distribute the information concerning youth field among youth
- To create Pan-Armenian youth network, etc.



### Our Branches

Serund PYC has more than 2500 volunteers all over the world. The organization operates in Armenia, Russia, United Kingdom, Georgia, Ukraine, Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Spain, Italy, Germany, France, The Netherlands, Hungary, etc.

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### What is Serund Pan-Armenian Youth Center?

"Serund Pan-Armenian Youth Center" is a platform for young people, where they develop their leadership and organizational potential through team work and sharing experiences for raising its role in Armenia and international arena. The organization promotes the development of responsible and organized generation, which will retain its national identity.

The members of "Serund PYC" are guided by the slogan "Impossible is possible".

Organization coordinates the center board, which consists of the president of the organization, its deputies (heads of departments) and heads of sections (External relations, Communications and PR, Coordination of branches, Political science, Culture, Trainers team, Talent management, Finance development and Fundraising and Supervision).

Spheres of the activity of

the organization are: international cooperation, intercultural relations, environmental conservation, human rights, personnel development and "HR" technologies, disseminating information on youth activities and organization of youth projects.

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Information about organization- [serundpyc.blogspot.com](http://serundpyc.blogspot.com)



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# Partners

## EYCB

### Czech Republic



European Youth Centre Břeclav o. s. is non-profitable nongovernmental organization founded by young people for young people in 2007. Our main aims and activities are informing and raising awareness of the European Union and its educational programs; promoting self-fulfilment and personal development of young people through educational programs of the European Union and developing non-formal education, intercultural dialogue, international cooperation and active civil society.

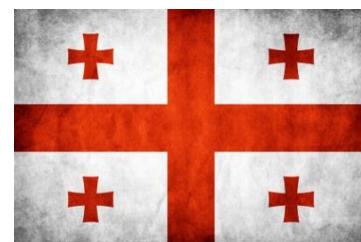
## Point Information Jeunesse

### France



The Youth Information Center in Saint-Claude is a member of the Youth Information french network. It provides information about work, european mobility, health,... Our main target are youngsters but we are open to all. We organise activities for high school students on environment and waste management. We work in close partnership with local environmental NGOs. We have organised last year a youth exchange on ecocitizenship thanks to the European Programme Youth in Action. We will also organise an exchange with youngsters from Burkina Faso on environmental management in 2014. One of our team member has worked for 10 years on waste water management in Moldavia.

## The Greens movement of Georgia/Friend of Earth Georgia



The Greens Movement of Georgia / Friends of the Earth - Georgia (GMG/FoE-G) is an organisation aiming to protect the environment, human and ethno-cultural surroundings according to the principles of sustainable development; to end the technocratic and utilitarian treatment attitude towards nature; to establish ecologically safe technologies; to build solidarity and peace between people, and in



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particular to build an ecologically and socially sustainable society. The goal is to build an ecologically and socially sustainable society and to take actions in specific actions.

The Greens Movement of Georgia is democratic non-profit grassroots organisation that deals with a broad range of environmental issues. The organisation implements its mission through campaigns and practical activities, public information and involvement, policy making and lobbying.

## **Hellenic Youth Participation Greece**



Hellenic Youth Participation (based in Athens, Greece) is a newborn non-formal group, created by two experienced youth workers, Kalliopi Manoudi and Eleni Kardamitsi.

HYP stands for intercultural dialogue, non-formal education, mutual understanding and solidarity. The main aim of the group is to inspire and stimulate European citizens to become active parts of their local and European community. We wish to motivate young people to become involved, to raise awareness about current values like equal opportunities, social inclusion and cultural diversity. Through our projects we aim at the promotion of volunteerism and the importance of personal development. HYP is acting at a local and European level.

## **A.P.S. South Europe Youth Forum Italy**



SEYF – South Europe Youth Forum is a partners' network from South Italy. It received a co-funding grant from the Region Puglia for constituting a telematic network, not only a website, where every association/organization can share its competences in order to foster youth initiatives, in the frame of local, national and European Programs.

SEYF works for the social inclusion of young people in disadvantage, in order to let them reach more opportunities in the competitive world of work.

SEYF organizes youth exchanges, seminars, fosters EVS and training course for an easier access of young people to youth initiatives.

SEYF is a structured telematic platform where every organization can have its own space, to sponsor its activities, its goals and can share partners, aims and initiatives.



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## **CREATORII**

### **Moldova**



**CREATORII** is a non-governmental organization that has the main aim to offer development opportunities for young people, especially from rural and deprived areas, with fewer possibilities. The organization creates youth exchanges, training courses and seminars for young people aged from 16 to 30 years, active leaders of the society, volunteers or any other people interested in personal development. Also it creates video spots, documentary movies, banners and organization of photo galleries, flash-mobs, and other social events for the development of creativity, practical and theoretical skills of the young people. Our main aim is to be actively involved in solving most painful problems in our society.

## **CHECK-IN**

### **Portugal**



**Check-IN – Cooperation and Development** is a non-profit organization, and works in close cooperation with public and private entities, actively participating in everyday quality improvement activities. Check-IN was created in 9 of April 2010.

The aim of Check-IN Association is to be a resource of information, training and access to lifelong learning opportunities for young and adult people in order to promote: social and communitarian integration; education and cooperation for sustainable development; personal competencies, interpersonal and social development; active citizenship; the respect for human rights; gender equality; tolerance, intercultural dialogue and solidarity between the peoples, among others.

Check-IN has also a special concern for those young and adult people with less privileged access to information due to their geographical location, their economic status or their personal situation.



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# Center of European Cooperation Ukraine



**CENTER OF EUROPEAN COOPERATION** is a non-profit organisation run by a group of professionals in the field of education, law and international development from Donetsk, Ukraine.

**MISSION OF THE CENTER:** Contribute to the civil society development by means of upbringing of a new generation of socially active young people and creation of the conditions for their self-actualization.

**AIMS OF THE CENTER:** Develop international cooperation with EU and non-EU countries.

Contribute to the legal education of youth and assist in the advocacy of their rights.

Provide resources for the non-formal education: trainings, workshops, competitions, educational projects.

Ensure conditions for learning foreign languages and cultures of other countries: cultural youth exchanges, volunteer projects .

## Venue



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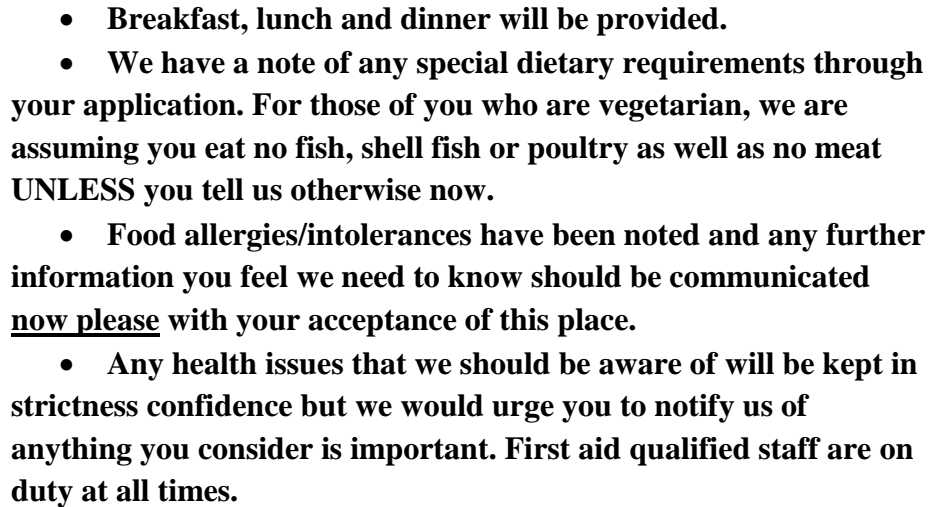
## Practical information

- For better preparation, please find out what does it mean EU programme “ERASMUS +”.
- Please find out what “non formal education” mean in your country and how is linked to youth work, ecology and water issues. Any examples from your country are more than welcome.
- In case you have no facebook (or other social network) account you may create one. We will work with dissemination issues via this tool.
- Remember that some of the activities will be interactive based on non formal education. Please be prepared for interaction, outdoor activities, open discussions and nice energizers.
- Local currency of Armenia: Armenian Drams-AMD, 1 Euros = 550AMD (about)  
Other currencies are generally not accepted. Banks and ATMs are also readily available. Alternatively, you can pay with your bank card.
- Bring materials about the NGO you represent and the country you come from to duly represent yourselves in the NGO market and national evenings (national food and drink).
- Arriving and leaving dates should be maximum +2 days. In case you are planning to stay longer or arrive earlier than the above mentioned dates, then one of the trips will not be accepted as legal expenses (not eligible). We don't cover additional days you stay in Armenia.
- Keep in mind that the project isn't for travelling and if the participants won't participate minimum 80% of the project they won't be reimbursed and the information about all the activities and participants will be send to the Executive agency.



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**The working language is English**



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# Agenda

## World Water for Youth

Time	Day 1 (April 1)	Day 2 (April 2)	Day 3 (April 3)	Day 4 (April 4)	Day 5 (April 5)	Day 6 (April 6)	Day 7 (April 7)	Day 8 (April 8)	Day 9 (April 9)	Day 10 (April 10)	Time
8:30-9:00	Arrival	Wake up									8:30-9:00
9:00-9:30		Breakfast									9:00-9:30
9:30-10:00		Introduction	Ice-breaking/team building games							Departure	9:30-10:00
10:00-10:30			"Safe water"	"National mentality and water treatment"	"Illnesses and diseases as polluted water use effect"	Natural mineral water	Introduction to water resources	Presentation of the Youth in Action programme	Evaluation of the project		10:00-10:30
10:30-11:00											11:00-11:30
11:00-11:30		Ice-breaking games/ discussion on fears and expectations about the project	Working groups								11:30-12:00
11:30-12:00			Working groups								12:00-12:30
12:00-12:30	Working groups							12:30-13:00			
12:30-13:00	Lunch										13:00-13:30
13:00-13:30	Lunch										13:30-14:00
13:30-14:00	Arrival	"Importance of water for man"	"Wastewater use"	"National mentality and water treatment"	"Illnesses and diseases as polluted water use effect"	Natural mineral water	Introduction to water resources	Presentation of the Youth in Action programme	Youthpasses, future cooperation and follow-ups of the youth exchange		Departure
14:30-15:00										15:00-15:30	
15:00-15:30		"List of the most important freshwater resources of Armenia and related legends"	Ice-breaking/team building games				Ice-breaking/team building games			15:30-16:00	
15:30-16:00			Working groups				Working groups			16:00-16:30	
16:00-16:30		Working groups				Working groups			16:30-17:00		
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17:00-17:30		Working groups				Working groups			17:30-18:00		
17:30-18:00	Dinner									18:00-18:30	
18:00-18:30	Dinner									18:30-19:00	
18:30-19:00	Arrival	Evaluations									19:00-19:30
19:00-19:30		Intercultural evenings									19:30-20:00
19:30-20:00		Welcome evening	Czech Republic,France	Georgia,Greece,	Italy, Moldova	Portugal, Ukraine	Free evening	Free evening	Armenia	20:00-20:30	
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# Travel

## Way 1

We buy air tickets from your country to Yerevan

We buy bus tickets from Yerevan to Venue  
(You send us 30% of the tickets and 30 Euro participation fee by transfer)

(You don't need to do business with documents, everything will be done by online check in)

## Way 2

You buy air tickets from your country to Yerevan

You buy bus tickets from Yerevan to Venue  
(You present all the original boarding passes and after 2-3 months get reimbursement, 30 Euro participation fee will be collected on the first working day)

Accommodation and subsistence will be covered by Serund Pan-Armenian Youth Center thanks to the financial support of the Youth in Action Programme. Extra costs (drinks, etc.) are not covered by the organisers.

You will be reimbursed **70% of your travel costs from your home to the Youth exchange venue**. According to the rules of the YiA Programme, we kindly ask you to plan your travel with the most cost effective means of transport available. We generally do not refund individual car travel, unless there is no other possibility. We only refund the promoter directly with one transfer and not individual participants.

Promoter]	From	To	No of ppl	Maximum reimburse (70%)	100% of total country costs
EYCB	Czech Republic	Venue	5	1750	2500
Point Information Jeunesse	France		5	1925	2750
The Greens movement of Georgia/Friend of Earth	Georgia		5	175	250
Hellenic Youth Participation	Greece		5	1575	2250
A.P.S. South Europe Youth Forum	Italy		5	1750	2500
CREATORII	Moldova		5	1750	2500
CHECK-IN	Portugal		5	1750	2500
Center of European Cooperation	Ukraine		5	1750	2500

**Note:** the last column indicates 100% of all the costs eligible per group. Reimbursements will be not higher than 70% of this amount. Please liaise with your organisation to ensure your group stays within budget.



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## Important Information

### If you buy tickets yourself

Essential things we **MUST** have before we can reimburse your travel costs in EURO to your organisation's bank account.

**You MUST bring or print and bring the following to the Youth exchange:**

1. **Original travel tickets** (train/bus). You must have already translated these into English and written the translated key words on the ticket with the following affirmation:

*'I the undersigned (name) confirm that this translation is true and accurate record of what is written' (sign and date)*

If necessary you may stick small tickets on a larger piece of paper and write the translation on this next to the ticket.

Return tickets that you need for the journey home can be posted to us after along with any boarding passes that are not electronic.

2. **Original receipts (invoices)** for travel tickets with translation and affirmation as above.

3. **Printed E-tickets** for flights/trains/buses that have not been forwarded more than once by email with translation as above.

4. **All electronic boarding passes** must be printed and brought to the training course. Other **standard boarding passes** for the outward journey you must leave with us and post the ones for the return journey once you get home.

5. **One photocopy of everything you give us**

6. **The attached travel summary completed with all your travel expense claims per country.**



## Non-eligible proof of expenditure

The following items will **not** be considered as eligible expenditure or eligible proof of expenditure and will not be accepted by YiA programme:

- Receipts or invoices in foreign languages (unless translation is provided – can be handwritten)
- Confirmation of flights (as opposed to the actual e-ticket)
- Petty cash vouchers (unless receipts are provided as well)
- Illegible or poorly printed receipts
- Hand written receipts (unless additional proof is provided)
- Excessive or reckless expenditure

## Participation fee

**There is a 30 Euros participation fee which must be transferred with 30% travel cost**

In case you decide to buy tickets yourself the participation fee will be collected on **the first working day** of the youth exchange course. Please have this ready when you arrive.



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## Other

- Gossip box
- Sugar cube
- Secret friend
- The wall of WANTED people

