

CALL FOR PARTNERS

Erasmus+: KA1 – Mobility of Youth Workers Partnership Building Activity We are burning!

United Societies of Balkans is looking for partners for a project proposal for a KA1 - Mobility of Youth workers: Partnership Building Activity that is planning to submit to the Greek National Agency on 5th of February 2020 deadline. The PBA named “We are burning!” will be organised in Thessaloniki, Greece in winter 2020. The deadline to answer to this call is 25/01/2020.

We are looking for partner organisation who are working closely in the fields of environmental education and sustainable development and who already have experience in organising youth projects (local or international) on these topics.

PROPOSAL SUMMARY

We are burning... both literally and figuratively. We are burning as planet Earth. We burn fuels, gas, oil, forests and as a consequence we changed the climate that brought to immense burning of the environment and natural habitats. Many scientists warn that we have irreversibly changed the climate and it will only get worse.






We are burning... from desire to do something in this regard to preserve and protect the environment as well as promote more sustainable way of living. Our lives and the lives of future generations depend on it.

We are burning... from a need to improve our work, get new competences, tools, practices, methodological approaches and reliable partners with whom we can develop quality projects for environmental education and sustainable development.

United Societies for Balkans as an organisation that is very active in empowering youth to be active citizens, social inclusion of vulnerable groups, volunteering as well as with using European youth programmes have decided to expand its work in the field of environmental education and sustainable development as we can no longer stay idle in tackling the dire environmental issues.

Therefore, through the present call we will apply for a **Partnership Building Activity** through which we plan to establish efficient partnerships, exchange of good practices, competences, information and insights as well as be a firm starting point for creating new joint projects and long lasting cooperation.




PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS

-  Youth workers, youth leaders and project managers that are working with youth who have some experience with environmental education and sustainable development
-  Participants should be management level youth workers who are involved in work of organisations and have decision making power in the organisation
-  Over 18 years old and able to comfortably work and communicate in English
-  Ready and motivated to take active part in all project phases
-  Ready and able to attend the full duration of the Partnership Building Activity and take part in the local follow-up activities that will be done after the PBA

THE ROLE OF PARTNERS

-  Take active participation in all project phases from the preparation and implementation of the PBA to the dissemination, evaluation and follow-up phases
-  Select and send a motivated group of participants according to the agreed profile
-  Appoint a contact person who will be responsible for smooth and timely communication with USB
-  Contribute and support hosting organisation as much as possible for ensuring visibility of the project and disseminating the project idea, results and activities on your websites, blogs, mailing lists and social media networks before, during and after the project completion
-  Be ready to organise with selected participants follow-up activities or events in form of local workshops, activities, presentations of project results after the PBA for your your members, volunteers or young people from your communities that will be on similar topics as the project

ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES

-  28 EU member states
-  EFTA countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway
-  Candidate countries: North Macedonia, Turkey and Serbia

WANT TO BE OUR PARTNER?

If you want to take part in the project and agree with your role and responsibilities as partner organisation, then please send us fully filled **Partner Identification Form** (including the EID) that is attached to this call to luiza.tsikala@usbngo.gr with subject line “Partnership for PBA We are Burning”.

Deadline for answering the call: 25/01/2019

WHO WE ARE?

United Societies of Balkans (U.S.B.) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization based in Thessaloniki, Greece working in the field of youth mobility, participation and facilitating society’s awareness about social issues, inclusion and understanding. The vision and aim of the organisation is the promotion of youth empowerment, participation in the economic and political life, youth mobility, voluntarism and human rights.

Key areas of the organisation’s activities concern the defence of human rights and the intercultural dialogue, the organisation of youth related projects such as youth exchanges and training courses, which can bring young people from Balkans and Europe together, and the organisation of local interventions, campaigns, researches, seminars and multimedia productions. It envisions a global and inclusive society, where citizens are equally empowered to contribute in the shaping of a world with less prejudice, discrimination and other forms of injustice.

The organization has a very rich experience in organizing international activities and gives the opportunity to local youngsters and people to meet and interact with other people from Europe. It has implemented successfully more than 60 youth and other projects about many different subjects, having hosted more than 3,000 people in Greece. Moreover it has been involved in more than 1000 youth projects and has prepared and sent around 2,500 youngsters abroad to youth mobility projects. USB is also a very active organisation in the field of voluntarism and especially in European Voluntary Service (EVS) and now European Solidarity Corps. Since 2009 it has hosted 200 volunteers in projects of 10 months or short term and has sent 100 volunteers abroad. Since 2016 it has created a network of 10 different NGOs in the city of Thessaloniki where it coordinates volunteer projects.

United Societies of Balkans believes in networking and the creation of long lasting synergies and has been a member organisation of UNITED for Intercultural Action, Salto-Youth, Thess Network-regional NGO network, FERYP (Forum of European Roma Young People), Anna-Lindh Foundation (co-head of the Greek National Network), Youth for Exchange and Understanding (YEU International), Youth Express Network (YEN), Butterfly Dreamer and DYPALL (Developing Youth Participation at Local Level), Great Silk Way International Youth Union, ENTER network, Youth Networks.