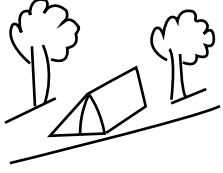


YOUTH

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EXCHANGE

IT'S ON YOU

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WHEN?

FROM 26th of APRIL
TO 8th of MAY 2023

WHERE?

Idrija, Slovenia!





Hello everybody!

We are so excited to be creating another exchange, this time with a little twist and even more fun activities. The beautiful, picturesque Idrija is waiting for you to come and we cannot wait to meet all of you! Are you ready for an unforgettable experience, where you will make new friends, create fun products and a lot of lovely memories?

The organizational committee (from the office) and our contacts:

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There will be other local youngsters and international volunteers included in the organization of our event!

ABOUT THE PROJECT



We are excited to upgrade our already successful exchange from last year, **Stereotype destroyers**, and develop it into something *more creative, more challenging and more fun!* We will mainly be focusing on **creating an impact** in today's society, **breaking different stereotypes** and **tear down our social taboos**, all with the help of fun tasks and activities. Expect a lot of debates, creating videos and other media, learning about different cultures, also culinarily, and most importantly be ready to step out of your comfort zone and experience new adventures. During the exchange you will be faced with different challenges, similar to real life ones happening every day in our society, where it will be crucial to work together and overcome them. They will participate at some challenge outdoor, so participants need to take care about this information and they need to be ready to spend a few days outside in the nature of our youth center.

We strongly believe that culture and art can change the world, that is why we will have a lot of creative tasks ready for you to explore and find new, innovative solutions for them.

The youth exchange will consist of **30 participants and group leaders** from different European countries. Get ready to make a lot of new friends, learn a lot and just have fun!

PARTICIPANTS



The age limit for this exchange is *from 16 to 22*. The number of participants per country will be **5 (4 youngsters + 1 group leader)**, who **should be 18+** and, already have experience with joining a youth exchange).

It's important that the participants are prepared for active cooperation, ready to explore different problems and find solutions for them, break rusty stereotypes and are open for new ideas. They should be motivated to follow the program around the topics of stereotypes, creation and dialogue, cultural prejudices and also be ready to be active, because we will be spending quite some time outside in our beautiful nature. They should also be interested in meeting new people, cultures and open for learning about others and their background.



ACCOMMODATION

GENERAL RULES

For the safety and a pleasant stay of all our guests, there are some basic rules we should all have in mind when living together in the house:

- Please pay attention to your roommates and stay silent after 10 PM and before 7 AM.
- It is not allowed to smoke, drink alcohol or eat in the rooms.
- When using the kitchen, clean the dishes and the working space before leaving.

VENUES

The project will take place in the building in which you will be accommodated. The common space where we will spend some time together is where most of our workshops, lectures, meetings and free-time activities happen. It is a part of a big building (which among others includes the hostel), located less than 10 minutes' walk from the town's center.



LOCATION IDRIJA

Idrija is a town in the Western part of Slovenia. It is well known for its mercury mine as well as for the miners' living quarters and the miners' theatre. Mercury was discovered in Idrija in the late 15th century. Together with the Spanish mine at Almadén, it has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2012. A year later the town's park was registered in the UNESCO International Network of Geoparks. In 2011, Idrija was given the Alpine Town of the Year award.

Idrija is located in a valley surrounded by steep hills covered by woods. Staying here makes you feel cozy, warm and sheltered. Idrija is a basin and if you would like to come to Idrija, you cannot skip going uphill and driving on winding roads. You will see :)



COTTAGE "PŠENK"

We will spend a part of the training in and around the cottage "Pšenk". It is reachable on foot from the town of Idrija. It has a kitchen for groups, a living room, group accommodation (one space for all people to sleep in) and a large outdoor area. It is also a nice spot for some local hikes. We will be sleeping outside in tents but will have a place indoors (one room for all people) if necessary due to weather conditions. There is a shower and a toilet inside the cottage.



General information, safety and insurance

Police: 113

Ambulance: 112

International code for Slovenia: 00 386

Youth center phone number: 00 386 51 231 049

Hostel phone number: 00 386 40 808 022