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Youth Exchange

Young Europe

Djakovo, Croatia - 10/08/2015 – 18/08/2015

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About project

Young people's active participation in their communities and society as a whole has been a concern, debated and analyzed for long time. Reports and studies state that people, especially young people, are losing community ties, have little or no interest and knowledge in economic, social and political processes and have low level of trust in democratic institutions and political representatives. This leads to weakened sense of citizenship and engagement in social and political life reflected by the declined levels of voting and joining of political parties. In European Union context, these tendencies of low engagement and participation in political, social and economic spheres are expressed even more, especially when it comes to young people. That's why the youth exchange will address and raise awareness about all of these issues and will educate, motivate and equip young people with competences to take active part in democratic life and decision-making processes on local, national and European level. The project will also provide and introduce tools on how to be more active citizen, will encourage and equip participants with knowledge and skills to run their own activities on these topics, will clarify the work and role of EU institutions and will foster mutual understanding, solidarity, intercultural learning and dialogue and will promote international cooperation in the youth field.



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The Youth Exchange will provide the opportunity to share knowledge, experiences and best practices from participating countries, foster sustainable partnerships, support capacity building in the youth field and contribute towards active and motivated youth. "Young Europe" is a 8 days Youth exchange, organized by Civilna, edukativna i transparentna platforma in Djakovo, Croatia from 10.08.2015 until 18.08.2015 that will gather 42 young people and youth leaders from Croatia, Macedonia, Poland, Italy, Serbia, Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina

Participants

6 participants per organisation.

Venue and accommodation

Project will be hosted in "Pansion LAGUNA". Hotel is located in the city center, address is Stjepana Radića 17, Djakovo. Participants will be accommodated in 1/2 and 1/3 bedrooms. Full board will be provided by hosting organisation.



Djakovo / Đakovo is a town in the region of Slavonia, Croatia. Djakovo is located 37 km to the southwest of Osijek and 34 km southeast of Nasice, also 240 km southeast of Zagreb, capital of Croatia.



How to get to Djakovo?

You can get to Djakovo by plane / train / bus via Zagreb. From Zagreb airport use Pleso Prijevoz bus shuttle to main Bus station in Zagreb. Timetable form airport to Bus station is on this link: <http://www.plesoprijevoz.hr/>. Timetable for bus from Zagreb to Djakovo can be found on this link <http://voznired.akz.hr/VozniRed.aspx?lang=en>. Please type "Đakovo" instead of "Djakovo".

Another options are traveling via Budapest, Osijek and Belgrade airports. Instructions how to get from Djakovo Bus station to hotel will be sent to participants by e-mail.

Travel information

The organisers will reimburse of your travel costs from your home city to Djakovo, Croatia.

! Note: Please **DO NOT BUY any tickets** before approval of the organisers!!!

!! Note: Please note if you bought your ticket in your local currency which might be different than EUR.

We will calculate your travel costs according to the exchange rates from official European Commission web-site: www.ec.europa.eu/budget/inforeuro/index.cfm?Language=en.

!!! Note: If you plan to travel outside the official project dates you need approval by CET Platform, first. Please contact us at croatia@cetplatform.org

Organisers will reimburse 100% of eligible travel costs up to the limit. 50% of travel cost will be reimbursed via bank transfer to the sending organization after participants provide original tickets. Other 50% of travel cost will be reimbursed after approval of project report.

Reimbursement of travel costs will only be done upon full attendance in the training programme and presentation of the original tickets with boarding passes and receipt/invoices. Reimbursement will be done in EURO, regardless of the currency indicated on your ticket and receipt/invoice.

Limit for participants from Italy, Macedonia and Poland is 170 EUR.

Limit for participants from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia is 80 EUR.



DO NOT BUY TICKETS BEFORE YOU INFORM US ABOUT THE DETAILS AND THE PRICE

Once we get that information we will immediately confirm you to buy tickets. Taxi is not eligible mean of transport, however there are a few exceptions. Please contact us if taxi is the only mean of transport that you can use on some part of your travel.

Other information

Preparation for intercultural evening:

- There will be two Intercultural evenings. Participants are expected to create interesting, interactive and creative intercultural evening with goal to fight prejudices and stereotypes about their country/ community/ culture.
- Be aware that there are no kitchen facilities available (don't bring food that requires cooking)
- Bring food, drink, promotional materials and whatever else you want to present
- Also bring materials about your organization

The local currency is kuna (HRK). 1 EUR = 7.5 HRK

Payment in EUR is possible somewhere, but it is illegal. Exchange office can be found everywhere, but please do not change large amounts of money in exchange offices at the airport and train/bus station, because exchange rate can be low. More information about Croatia you can find on this link: <http://croatia.hr/>.

Programme of YE

Day 1	
AM	Arrival of participants



PM	Open ceremony and welcome evening
Day 2	
AM	Introduction to the project aims and objectives; introduction of the programme and methodology; technical information Getting to know each other activities: Name games and ice-breakers
PM	Group-building activities Organizations Fair, Team meeting, Reflection group
Day 3	
AM	Concept of citizenship, citizens and European citizenship
PM	Personal, national, European identity and values , Dimensions of citizenship Personal, national, European identity and values , Dimensions of citizenship Reflection group
Day 4	
AM	Country profiles Rights and responsibilities of citizens on national and European level
PM	European citizenship education: The role of youth work Structure and role of EU institutions
Day 5	
AM	Decision making processes in EU: "Tour" through EU institutions
PM	Decision making processes in EU: European Parliament simulation
Day 6	
AM	Visit by representative of European Commission
PM	Introduction to campaigns, phases of campaigns, channels of communication, message development
Day 7	
AM	Active citizenship in action: Designing and planning local campaigns/actions
PM	Active citizenship in action: Local campaigning in Djakovo
Day 8	
AM	Presentation of Erasmus+ programme Ideas for future projects and project development
PM	Ideas for future projects and project development: Presentations Presentation of Youthpass and its key competences, Final evaluation
Day 9	
AM	Departure day