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YOUTH EXCHANGE

“Fast Fashion is out of Fashion”

22.8. – 31.8.2023
Salovci
Slovenia

YOUTH MOBILITY, ERASMUS+

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BASIC INFORMATION

The youth exchange is organized by organization CONNECT:
Association Connect brings together young people with different skills and abilities who want to promote active citizenship among young people in our region.
The aim of the association is to promote active citizenship, empowerment, youth mobility, non-formal education and intercultural dialogue.
Our activities are linked to a variety of workshops, seminars and projects in the field of entrepreneurship, environment protection, media, human rights and sport.

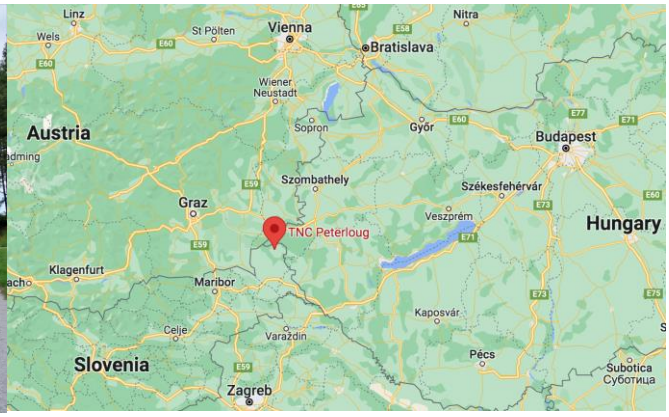
Date of Youth Exchange: **22.8.-31.8.2023**

Arrival: 21.8.2023 in the evening or 22.8.2023 in the morning

Departure: 31.8.2023 in the afternoon/evening or 1.9.2023 in the morning
After departure from youth exchange participants can spend up to 2 days travelling before returning home.

Venue: Salovci, Slovenia





Working language: English

Participants at Youth exchange: 5 young people (16-30 years) + 1 group leader (no age limit) from each country

COUNTRIES

Participating Countries:
SLOVENIA
CZECH REPUBLIC
SLOVAKIA
SPAIN
ITALY
BULGARIA

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Summary of the Project:

Participation in this youth exchange will enable young participants to learn about the negative effect that the fast fashion trend has on our environment. It is important to know that with the advent of fast fashion, the textile industry has become one of the biggest polluters of our planet.

The aim of the youth exchange is to raise young people's awareness about negative effects of fast fashion and discuss the reasons why it happened in the first place and how we can help improve the situation. At the youth exchange, participants will also create an e-brochure, in which the issue of fast fashion and textile waste will be presented in a simplified and comprehensible way for young people.

Participants will also develop and strengthen their key competences, intercultural awareness, personal development as well as acquire new knowledge and skills.

This youth exchange will take place in Salovci, Slovenia and will bring together young people from six European countries: Slovenia, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Spain, Italy and Bulgaria. Through this project, young people from 6 countries will live together for 10 days.

The methods of work will be in the form of non-formal education and learning from a practical work. The activities of the project will be various and participants will have the chance to enjoy different methodologies such as icebreakers, energizers, warm up activities, group work, discussions, learning by doing, inter-cultural nights and outdoor activities included in a series of workshops. This project is also a great opportunity for young people to learn about another country, culture, language, broaden their horizons and get new ideas for the future.

ACTIVITIES / PROGRAMME

- Name games, know each other, ice breakings, trust games…
- Presentations of countries and organizations
- Erasmus+ Program and Youth Pass tools
- Workshops and activities connected with fast fashion and textile waste
- Reflection groups: There will be times every day to prepare the Youth Pass and reflect about the daily activities, skills, attitudes and knowledge.
- Evaluations: time every morning for a short evaluation about the previous day (feelings, activities, stuff, etc.). We will plan enough time for a final evaluation in order to know how the full experience was and prepare the Youth Pass.
- Intercultural dinner after the first day activity. Every team should bring some typical food or/and drink specialties from their Country.
- Free day for swimming in Murska Sobota; IMPORTANT: bring swimsuits and towels!

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Activities will take place inside the building and also outside in the nature.







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PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS

- Age: 16 – 30
- 5 young participants from each country plus 1 group leader –> total 6 participants
- Please, try to keep gender balance in your group (3 girls, 3 boys)
- English is our working language, but it is not obligation. Don´t be afraid of language! We will find the way to solve it!
- People who are interested in the topic.
- Young, motivated, nice, cheerful, smiling participants and good mood!! ☺

YOUTHPASS

Each participant will receive Youthpass:

- Certificate of non-formal education (you will take part on an educational activity)
- You can include it in your CV and use it for school, university, new job, etc.

At the beginning of the project, participants are divided into small groups that will meet every evening in the reflection group. They will talk and exchange about the day's activities, what they have learned, what they have observed, etc. With all of these notes, they will receive at the end of the exchange in the final workshop, a comprehensive Youthpass.

MONEY

- Organizer (CONNECT) covers travel costs, accommodation, food and program activities.
- Please, pay attention, that there are the ceilings for the travel costs per every country that we cannot go above.

  CZECH REPUBLIC - 180EUR
  SLOVAKIA - 180EUR
  ITALY - 275EUR
  BULGARIA - 275EUR
  SPAIN - 360EUR

- IMPORTANT: We reimburse the transport money ONLY if the participant will ACTIVELY take part during the whole project.
- You have to keep all the bills, boarding passes and every type of ticket transport with you, so that we are able to reimburse you the costs.

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TRANSPORT

- IMPORTANT: contact us BEFORE you buy your tickets. Look for the best options and send it to us. Don´t buy anything before we send you confirmation.
- If coming by plane, best is to fly to Vienna, Budapest or Bratislava and then take a train to Szentgotthard (city in Hungary 15km from location of the project).
- If coming by bus or train, look for options to Szentgotthard.
- As soon as possible after you buy your tickets, send us all you travel information in order to plan pick-ups at train station.
- After departure from youth exchange participants can spend up to 2 extra days travelling (Vienna, Budapest,...) before returning home.

FOOD

- Nearby restaurant will provide us lunch and dinner.
- Breakfast we will prepare ourselves. It is expected, that the participants help in the kitchen and with the dishes.
- If you have some special needs for food (vegetarian, vegan, celiac, some allergies, etc.), please, inform us before coming to the youth exchange.



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YOU WILL NEED…

- Sports clothes and swimsuits.
- Towels.
- Typical food for intercultural evening.
- Poster, leaflets, card, videos, typical music… from your country, region, city.
- National things (flag, hymn, clothes, music …)
- Camera, laptop and other equipment making life and work easier (at the location there is strong and free wi-fi).
- Good mood and energy to be active!

ACCOMODATION

We will be accommodated in touristic centre Peterloug in Salovci with a lot of nature and sports facilities around.
Inside there are shared bedrooms with sheets, bathrooms, wi-fi internet.
Participants must bring with them towels.









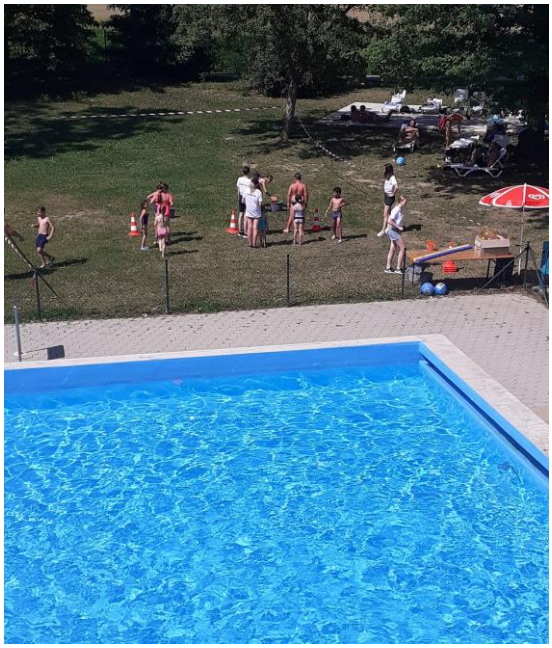
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SWIMMING DAY IN MURSKA SOBOTA













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RULES

- This is an International and educational Project co-funded by the European Union. Participant should be aware they are not on holidays.
- No drugs.
- Be on time.
- Respect each other.
- Participative and active people!
- We will talk about the rules directly at the place.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Every participant MUST have at least EHIC insurance card.
BUT we suggest everyone to have an extra personal insurance for traveling abroad.

Thank you for joining us and being part of this Project! ;)

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