CERV PROJECT “MAKE YOUR VOTE”

International Youth Debate

In Ioannina Greece, 5th - 9th of February 2024

VENUE

Ioannina

The meeting will take place in Ioannina, which is the capital city of Epirus region in northern Greece. Its located in a mountainous region, around 5 hours away from Athens, the capital of Greece. The city hosts around 130.000 inhabitants.
Ioannina spreads out around beautiful Lake Pamvotida which is home for one of Europe's few inhabited lake islands. The strong cultural traditions of the town and the artistic and cultural events which are organized throughout the year, give visitors the opportunity to get to know the roots of the intellectual life of Epirus.





Dioni Hotel

The hotel Dioni is located in the heart of old town of Ioannina, at **Tsirigoti street 10**, it's very near the city center, lake and the lively areas of the town. The check-in at the hotel is on 4th of February after 14:00, and check-out is on 9th of February before 12:00. The accommodation will include breakfast, wi-fi and toiletries.





Activity Venue

The activities will be hosted at the main office building of the hosting organisation, YC Epirus, at **Zois Kaplani street 10**. It is only 3 minutes away from the Dioni hotel.






TRAVEL

You can arrive in Ioannina by a connecting flight to Ioannina airport, or by bus from other cities. There are a couple of daily flights to Ioannina airport from Athens airport and from couple of other countries, depending on the season/availability. If flying to other airports, we would suggest Thesslaoniki and Athens during the winter season.

THESSALONIKI AIRPORT

You will find a bus stop right outside the airport Terminal 1, and take a **bus nr 01X or 01N to the KTEL Makedonia bus station**. You can buy a ticket for the airport bus at a kiosk next the the bus stop or with coins at a ticket machine on the bus. KTEL bus station is the last stop on the route, after the railway station and the ride takes approx. 1 hour. At the KTEL bus station, you can purchase the bus ticket to Ioannina, but you can also book it online 10 days in advance on **https://ktelioannina.gr/en/**. The ticket costs around 30 Euros and the ride will be around 3,5 hours long. We suggest to book the bus ticket online at least a couple of days before your departure, to ensure availability.

ATHENS AIRPORT

Right outside the Arrivals terminal, you will find a **bus nr X93 which goes to KTEL Kifisiou bus station.** You can buy the bus ticket in a ticket machine or a kiosk next to the bus stop. The ride will last approximately 1 hour.

At the KTEL bus station, you can buy bus ticket to Ioannina, or, you can book it online 10 days in advance on **https://ktelioannina.gr/en**. The ticket costs around 42 Euros and the ride lasts about 5-6 hours. We suggest to book the bus ticket online at least a couple of days before departure, to ensure availability.

Reaching the Dioni Hotel

Address: Tsirigoti street 10

If arriving at Ioannina airport, you can take the bus nr 2, which has a stop across the main street from the airport. The bus drive until the city center will be around 10 minutes and you can purchase a ticket for 1,5 Euros at the driver. From the main square of the city center, the hotel is in a walking distance of 7 minutes.

If arriving at the KTEL bus station of Ioannina, the most convienant way to reach the hotel is by walking, it is less than 15 minutes away. You might also take any bus for 1-2 stops, **from Vilara street to 28th of October street**, which are about 5 minutes away from the bus station/ to the hotel.

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

PROGRAM AND PARTICIPANTS

The activity program will be shared with all participants shortly. In total, 35 people will be attending the International Youth Debate, 4 young people aged 18-30 and 1 representative from each country.

For participants coming from abroad, please share with us your full names and dates of birth, which we need to provide to the hotel as soon as possible. Please send us that via e-mail to youthcenterofepirus@yahooo.gr.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the venue, travel, or anything related that we could assist you with, please contact us via youthcenterofepirus@yahoo.gr and y.c.epirus@gmail.com or via phone/WhatsApp +306947157707 (Dora) and +34659208742 (Marta).

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

If you would like to share with us any special needs you might have that we should keep in mind, such as regarding the meals (vegan, vegetarian, etc), please contact us as soon as possible via e-mail y.c.epirus@gmail.com. It might not be possible to accommodate special requests during the meeting if we are not informed well in advance about those special requests.

