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YOUTH EXCHANGE

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Date:
May 23-27, 2024

Place:
Varna, Bulgaria



Youth for Democracy

If you received this info pack that means you are one of the young people who will participate in the **YE Youth for Democracy**!

The youth exchange Youth for Democracy aims to engage and empower young people to be active citizens and through their actions to promote the common EU values, foster youth participation in Europe's democratic life and engage young people for sustainable and inclusive Europe.

The following pages contain **important information** about the project and the hosting organisation.

Please read them carefully!

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Specific objectives

01 To raise skills and new knowledge on storytelling and interviewing.

02 To raise awareness of the importance of youth participation for the creation of sustainable, inclusive and peaceful societies across Europe

03 To connect, engage and empower young people to be active citizens and to strengthen democratic processes across Europe

04 The raise new knowledge and skills on active participation, activism and campaigning

05 To raise awareness of the common EU values and provide ways to promote them and safeguard them

06 To explore the EU Youth Strategy (2019-2027) and to promote ways and means by which youth's voices can be heard in decision-making processes.

Foundation for Entrepreneurship, Culture and Education is a youth and cultural NGO, founded in 2014, based in Sofia, Bulgaria.

Mission



Our mission is to promote, assist and support the development culture, education, innovation and the entrepreneurial qualities of young people and people with fewer opportunities. The organisation promotes freedom of cultural expression, encourages and organises creative initiatives in different fields of art, culture, media and education in an independent and creative nature.

Vision



Our vision is to empower different communities and target audiences through arts, culture and education. FECE provides support for the organisation and implementation of cultural events, seminars, research activities and conferences.

Accommodation and meals



Hotel Detelina, 9006, Varna
Chaika resort, Golden Sands

https://detelinahotel.com/en/

The **Youth for Democracy YE** will take place in **Detelina***** Hotel located at Golden Sands, a major seaside resort town on the Northern Bulgarian Black Sea coast. All rooms (double and triple) are air-conditioned and offer a private bathroom.

FECE undertakes accommodationa and meal expenses. This includes breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as coffee breaks. The participants will receive a questionnaire for the indication of their nutritional needs.

Here's our project timeline

01
Arrival
22.05.2024

02
Who are we?

03
Programme
23-27.05.2024

04
Evaluation

05
Departure
28.05.2024

The whole programme will be available soon.

Practicalities

European Health Insurance Card

If you do not possess the card, you can get it easily. You should go to the office recharged with health affairs, and ask for your European Health Card. It is a little blue plastic card, and you can get it free. It is valid in every EU country for 1 year. Alternatively, any other insurance is welcome (organisers are not covering insurance costs).



SOS number
Bulgaria: 112

The Bulgarian national monetary unit is the Lev (BGN), divided into 100 stotinki. At the present rate of exchange 1,00 USD/ 1,00 EUR is approximately equal to 1,95 BGN.



We highly recommend carrying Bulgarian leva in cash as not all locations accept card payments. We strongly advise you to exchange currency ONLY IN BANKS;

Insurance

Personal and medical insurance are responsibility of the individual participant. We will not be responsible for any loss of luggage, currency or personal effects, or any medical costs. We recommend participants to have the European Health Card.

Reimbursement

The organisers with the support of Erasmus+ Programme will cover unit costs of your travel expenses according to the budget for each country (per person) as follows:

Romania: 180/275 EUR
Moldova: 180 EUR
Slovakia: 275 EUR

List of partner organisations:

MULTIKULTI (RO)
Youth for Equality (SK)
Civic Association Branch of DGT
Association in Republic of Moldova

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NOTE:
YOU MUST KEEP ALL YOUR TRAVEL TICKETS AND BOARDING PASSES

We will accept costs only for the travel documents you send to us (tickets, boarding passes (both directions) receipts for fuel and bus tickets).

Travel costs from home to the venue of the project and return. To receive the reimbursement for transportation, please keep ALL original invoices, tickets, boarding passes or any other transport document.

The money will be given at the end of the project via bank transfer, upon completion of the EU Survey.

Once you arrive in Varna:

From Varna Airport

Take bus number 409 from the bus stop at the airport. Take off the bus at bus stop VSU.

From Varna Bus station

Take bus number 409 and take off at bus stop VSU.

Important Note: ALL participants of youth exchange must travel from their home country to Bulgaria. This is the new rule we have from the National Agency and the Erasmus+ Programme.

It is possible to extend your stay for a maximum of 2 days in total (1 before, 1 after, or 2 before /after). In case your stay exceeds the 2-day limit, we cannot reimburse your travel expenses. Any additional expenses, which occur throughout these “extra- days”, have to be covered by yourself.

Just bring your enthusiasm and live the event in its proper and cheerful mood! We encourage participants to be an active part of this project, embracing responsibility and enjoy the cultural side of this experience!

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