



ONE WORLD, OUR HOME

Erasmus+ Youth Exchange | February 11-18, 2019 | Altamura, Italy



About the project



Through the non formal education, the experience and simulation activities we want to create and impact on the young participants of the Youth Exchange, that will understand the matters, needs and aspects that consist the problems of the refugees. This will be an important experience that will benefit them and help them improve as human beings. What will be widely supported is the feeling of humanitarianism, volunteer-ism, tolerance, contribution and affection especially on the difficult times as the ones our society and whole "globe" is facing.

The project aims to:

- increase the awareness among young people on Refugee Crisis;
- activate young people who are willing to take actions towards Refugee Crisis;
- make the young people understand about the empowerment strategies for becoming change agents in their respective societies;
- improve the level of competence in videography and photography;
- understand how creativity can be used to take actions for a positive change;
- improve the level of key competences and skills of youth addressed by the Youthpass;
- grow the sense of awareness in young people about the multiple forms of culture, intercultural dialogue, cultural diversity from all ways and forms of communication;
- promote the Intercultural Learning through non formal education;

Participant profile

Each partner organization will send 4 participants & 1 group leader. Participants and Leaders must agree to take part in the whole duration of the Youth Exchange (from February 11th to 18th)!

Participant Profile:

- 18-25 years old;
- Are interested in the topic of Refugee Crisis;
- Are interested in improving Video and Photo Skills;
- Are passionate in photography and videography and want to learn how to use their creative skills for social topics;
- Sensitive to the social issues;
- Has a basic level of English;
- Participants with economical/educational or geographical obstacles (young people with fewer opportunities) are welcome (Half of the group in each participating Country);

Leader Profile:

- Has capacity to support his/her group and older than 20 years old;
- Previously participated as participant and/or leader to any youth project at national or international levels;
- Are willing to cooperate in the Awareness campaign actively;
- Has high English literacy (B2 – C1) level;
- Has previous experience in Youth Working;



How to get there?



Before buying any ticket please ask us confirmation.

Choose preferably flights that are landing in Italy in the morning so you will have the time and the assured transportation to reach the venue of the project.

Your best choice will be to land in Bari Airport!

Very important: You will have to reach Matera by train or bus from the airport.

Meeting point is in Matera central station at 6 p.m. on February 11th!

- If you land in Bari, please check these busses/trains: <http://ferrovieappulolucane.it/>
- If you land in Napoli, please check this bus: <http://www.miccolis-spa.it/lecce-napoli-da-scoprire/matera>
- If you land in Rome or Milan, you have many options to reach Matera, by flight, train or bus (Trenitalia or Flixbus).

Tickets Guidelines



- ✓ Arrival and departure day of the Youth Exchange are: February 11th and 18th. You are strongly recommend to arrive to the venue before 5pm on the 11th and to plan your departure after 9am on the 18th.
- ✓ Eligible days accepted from the National Agency for extending your stay in Italy and be fully reimbursed by our organization are up to 2 days more. (Examples of traveling days are: February 10th-19th, February 9th-18th, February 11th-20th.)
- ✓ Travel route must be approved by us, so before booking your flights inform us and wait for our approval.
- ✓ Deadline for reserving flight tickets is: **December 1st**.
- ✓ Don't forget to keep all your tickets, receipts, reservations and boarding passes! In case of missing documentation we will NOT be able to reimburse you!

Needed travel documents for the reimbursement:

- ✓ **Flight tickets** – choose second class, cheaper flights. For flight tickets you will have to provide: Ticket Reservation (you receive it online after you buy your flight, on which you find the cost of the ticket) & Boarding pass (for both ways, printed in original).
- ✓ **Train, Bus and Shuttle tickets** - make sure the date, the itinerary and the price are visible on the ticket, if you can get an invoice is better;
- ✓ **Transport by taxi or Rent-a-Car** – reimbursement is allowed only if public transport is not available; a personal written declaration will be needed. (Before using it you can speak with us in order to arrange a cheaper solution if possible);
- ✓ Please avoid app or mobile tickets since it makes it difficult to save the proof.

Costs

Following costs will be covered by project budget:

- ✓ 100% costs for accommodation, 100% costs for 3 meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner) & 2 coffee-break per day.
- ✓ Travel costs (from your house to the venue) will be reimbursed





The Venue

The venue of the Youth Exchange will be **between Altamura and Matera (European Capital of Culture 2019)**. The accommodation is the **hostel** of the Santuario di Picciano.

It is a nice place, with a friendly and peaceful atmosphere surrounded by nature and a wonderful landscape.

For more information about accommodation please visit their website:

http://www.santuariopicciano.it/page/Osp/ind_osp.htm

- ✓ Participants will be accommodated in two main rooms according to gender and in mixed nationalities.
- ✓ Breakfast will be organized in the Italian way, so be prepared to taste espresso, milk and something sweet! *(There is no possibility of having an international breakfast, unfortunately!)*
- ✓ Lunch & Dinner will be served with a catering service provided by a local restaurant with traditional food from Puglia.
- ✓ Our special working room will be in the same place of the hostel!



To do list for Participants

After you have been selected to take part in the Youth Exchange, remember to follow these few steps:

- Prepare yourself on the topic of the project, what is the situation of the refugee crisis in your Country and in Europe.

- Fill in the following form by **December 10st**:

<https://goo.gl/forms/ncsLJ6s2xS5ZOziw1>

- Reserve your tickets by **December 1st**. Upload your tickets and reservations in our drive, as explained in page 6 of the Infopack.

- Join the official Facebook group, where we will share more info and updates about the project:

www.facebook.com/groups/553970605070347

- Cultural Night: Every national group of participants from one country will need to present their culture on the intercultural evening. You can bring some traditional food, show traditional dances and tell interesting facts and stories about your Country. You can also prepare games and quizzes!

- Safety and Insurance: the project budget will not cover a travel insurance, by the way we highly recommend to get an European Insurance Card;



What to bring:

- First of all: your SMILE and ENERGY, Italy is waiting for you!
- Your small and showertowel;
- Your sleeping bag;
- Warm clothes;
- Your camera and laptop (with editing program);
- European plug adapter, in case you need one:



Contacts

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