



INTERNATIONAL MEETING

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Summary

The YOUNG LEADERS INTERNATIONAL MEETING II EDITION project has the general objective of supporting the participation of young people in representative democracy and civil society, facilitating their active involvement in the elaboration, implementation and evaluation of policies through the instrument of structured dialogue.

The specific objectives are:

1. Encourage the participation of young people in the European elections in 2019 and stimulate their engagement within the formal structures of participatory democracies, such as political parties.
2. Encourage and promote cross-sectoral cooperation and partnerships between youth organizations and socio-educational promoters.



About SOS EUROPA

SOS EUROPA is an independent NGO based in Rome. It was created to spread the European cultural values and improve integration inside and outside the Union, encouraging mobility of young people by promoting cultural and knowledge exchange, active European citizenship, networking opportunities. The Association is nonprofit and works exclusively in the areas of social, human, civil and cultural solidarity and ethic research.

The Association organizes courses, training, seminars and it is a partner to several European projects. It was founded in January 2016 by young people who have been working in associations and deal with EU issues. It employs a team of passionate young volunteers, experts in project planning and European policies.



Partners

- ASSOCIATION FOR PROGRESS, EDUCATION AND LOBBYING NEL SKOPJE
- Leaders Of Life For Sustainable Development
- KULTUR & ART INITIATIVE EV
- ASOCIATIA TINERILOR CU INITIATIVA CIVICA
- MOVE! Murcia
- Center of Reforms and Civil Development
- Association for Cultural, Economic, Heuristic and Linguistic Cooperation
- MUNICIPIO DE AGUEDA
- Youth for Equality
- NEANIKOI ORIZONTES M.K.O.



Among the expected results there are:

- Proposal to introduce European laws in favor of young people
- Suggestions for improvement of the Erasmus Plus Program
- Creation and implementation of I.A.N.G International Association Networkers Generation



In particular

- Encourage the use of a non-formal learning methodology to promote the development of skills and social competencies linked to democratic values and human rights such as freedom of expression and respect for diversity through the daily practice of democratic principles.
- Develop the technical skills that allow young people to access, manage, evaluate and create useful information online
- Develop digital tools for youth political participation in combination with elements given during the project and develop appropriate training for teachers, youth workers, trainers and multipliers working with different target groups in formal and non-formal learning settings in order to reach young people at all levels.



- Encourage and promote cross-sectoral cooperation and partnerships between youth organizations and socio-educational youthworkers in order to develop integrated approaches to citizenship education programs.
- Support campaigns and information events for young people in local, regional, national and European elections.
- Promote EU programs to support young people, such as Erasmus + and European Solidarity Corps.
- Creating an international network of NGOs and sharing good practices.

With this project we want to give the opportunity to many young people and adults to get in touch with the organizations involved in the promotion of active citizenship and in the improvement of policies in favor of young people.



The project involves 44 young people (22 men and 22 women) plus 11 political decision-makers or experts in the field of youth policies, for a total of 55 participants (of which 26 with fewer opportunities) from 11 different countries.

The project includes a transnational meeting that will take place in Rome from 27th to 31th January 2019 and will be organized by SOS Europa in collaboration with all the partners.



The activities will take place with the most modern non-formal European methodologies of confrontation such as Open Space Technology (OST), Focused Conversation, Future Search Conference and European Structured Dialogue (DSE).

The content and activity plan are based on the SALTO publication as "Working on Work for All" and "Inclusion through Employability". Each participant will then receive the Youthpass certificate.

In order to share and disseminate the results of the project outside of SOS EUROPA and Italy and to promote the role of the Erasmus + program, a comprehensive and complex dissemination plan has been designed.



What happened in the first edition

From 27th to 31st October 2017., 60 young leaders from 12 countries gathered in Italy. At the end of the meeting, each delegation elaborated a text of a law to be approved in their own country. Furthermore, the Manifest of Values for Young Europeans was defined. The involved partners expressed their intention to create a European network between them in order to improve cooperation (the IANG acronym was voted as the name of this umbrella organization). The meeting was attended by Italian and European parliamentarians and local and regional administrators. All the contents produced have been published on the website <http://www.soseuropa.it/1609-2/>



Before the meeting

SOS Europa will launch a "Youth Consultation"

The Survey's link is <https://form.jotformeu.com/83043678927367>

Each partner organization will have to analyze the results obtained and proceed with their publication making the consultation available.



After the meeting

We expect the organization of 11 local events to disseminate the results with a participation of at least 100 young people to event for a total of 1,100 young people; that at least 40% of participants in the next 8 months from the end of the meeting participate in other international mobility projects (including EVS and the European Solidarity Body), that at least 30% of the participants, by the end of the project, participate actively in the elections in your country, as a candidate or support to it, at least 60% of the participants are encouraged to participate in activities promoting active citizenship in their local community.



Profile of the participants

Each organization will involve 4 participants (Please ensure gender equality) between the ages of 25 and 30 and 1 expert (or policymaker) without age limits.

In the total of 5 participants from each partner.

Participants are selected by their partner organizations.

Participation Fee

A participation fee of € 20 will be deducted from the reimbursement of costs incurred for travel. This is to ensure that everyone contributes to the costs of the project at least symbolically.

We kindly ask you to keep all your travel documents (invoices and boarding passes).



Characteristics of the potential participants:

- Activists or volunteers of the partner organization, previous experience in the field of associations and civic volunteering,
- Strong interest in the theme of the project, strongly motivated to participate in the entire duration of the project, committed to the dissemination of results in the medium-long term,
- Interested in drafting legislative proposals to be submitted to candidates for the European Parliament in the 2019 elections.
- They will also have to involve other peers who are not directly involved in this project and commit themselves to constantly update the progress of their work and to share with the other participants.



Traveling to Italy

All participants are expected to arrive in Ciampino or Fiumicino airports.

The Erasmus+ rules state that participants need to travel using the cheapest means of transport, economy class, direct route without long stopovers. Please take a look at the travel cost section below for details of travel reimbursement policy.

Although participants can plan their travel individually and arrive earlier/depart later, the organizers can only commit to reimburse and organize accommodation during the mentioned training days. If you plan to travel outside the official project dates (27/31 January 2019) you should contact us providing the reasons and buy ticket only if permission granted. Otherwise, you would not get reimbursement. Stopovers of more than 12 hours need to be approved by the Italian NA.

Participants travel costs from their home city to ROME will be reimbursed according to Erasmus+ Programme rules and SOS EUROPA regulations (we are subject to Italian legislation in terms of accounting and book-keeping).



Insurance

Health insurance is not provided and will not be reimbursed by the organizers. All participants are strongly advised to purchase private travel insurance. All EU residents should obtain European Health Insurance Cards (EHIC) before the course. Please note that private healthcare in Italy is extremely costly.

Accommodation

Hostel Beautiful Rome

Via Milazzo, 14, 00185 Roma RM

<http://www.hotelbeautiful.net>

You will be accommodated in multiple rooms with participants from different countries with en-suite bathroom. Towels/bed linen will be provided.



Travel to Hotel

1. Hotel Beautiful is located within 1-minute walk from Termini train station: Exit Termini Station at Track 1 (with the train tracks at your back, track 1 is on the right side of the station).
2. Make a right turn on Via Marsala, and then take your first left down Via Milazzo.
3. Continue down Via Milazzo, until you reach Hostel Beautiful (on the left side of the street), 4th floor. The whole walk will take you less than 10 minutes.



Travel Expenses

According to the rules of the E+ and the location of your organizations indicated at application stage (PIC data) this is the calculated amount for your travel expenses per participant. Here is presented the maximum amount that you will receive per person (the amount evidenced by receipts, boarding passes, etc., economy/2nd class travel only, shortest and cheapest route). We will also charge a participation fee of 20 EUR per person. The refund will be paid on the current account of the sending association.

Country of Origin

Bulgaria; Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Germany; Greece; Romania; Slovakia; Spain; Portugal

Maximum Travel Grant per Participant 275 EUR

Country of Origin

Georgia; Jordan

Maximum Travel Grant per Participant 360 EUR



Deadline

Each partner organization must send the 5 completed application forms by one mail to youngleaders@soseuropa.it before 20th November 2018

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