

INFOPACK

ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

Targoviste, Romania

20-29 August 2018



INTRODUCTION

The democratic future of a nation is an invaluable asset, and the involvement of young people in society is essential for the good functioning and continuity of democracy. Sociological research demonstrates that the largest segments of society with the greatest capacity for change are the young people. It depends on us, the adults, youth workers and educators the extent to which the young generation will be prepared to assume the responsibility of active participation in society.

Unfortunately, global statistics reveal the low interest of young people in democratic life, in knowledge of state institutions, citizens' rights and freedoms, active participation and responsibility within the community. This things happens due to social inequity, poor governance in some, the social and economic crises, the huge differences between social classes, especially in Eastern countries. Young people have lost confidence and motivation to change something, only few of them believe that the future of society stand in their hands and act to change something.

The purpose of the Active Citizenship training course is to pay attention to this phenomenon, to mobilize youth workers to find solutions to raise awareness about the importance of democratic life for young people, to find methods to stimulate active participation and show the consequences of indifference and non-involvement in civic life.

OBJECTIVES

- To increase the level of knowledge about youth participation, and civic life;
- To increase the level of knowledge about lobby and advocacy in the topic of active citizenship;
- To strengthen the abilities of youth workers to choose, adapt and implement new non-formal education methods for motivate and encourage youth participation to civic life;
- To create space for youth workers to conceive and develop project drafts on the topic of youth participation and civic life;
- To develop cooperation between participating organizations by sharing experience on local, national and international youth policies;
- To foster professional and persoanl development of youth workers.

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

32 youth leaders and youth workers (4 participants per each partner organization) older than 18 years old (no age limit) belonging to partner organizations, involved, interested and motivated to participate in the project. Participants are people who develop activities in the area of active citizenship and youth participation to democratic life who want to deepen their knowledge about active citizenship, youth participation, democracy and human rights.

Participants will come from Romania, Czech Republic, Estonia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Malta, Portugal and Slovak Republic.

The applications of selected participants must be send untill 15th July 2018.

ACCOMMODATION

The Training Course will take place in Targoviste city which is near the capital, Bucharest (80 km distance). Participants will be accommodate at Valahia Hotel which is situated in the middle of the city.

Participants will be in rooms with 2,3 beds. Mixed nationalities of the same gender will share rooms. Each room is equipped with:

- Digital TV
- Internet connection – Wi-fi
- Own bathroom (bathtub+ toilet) + towels

The hotel has:

- Conference room
- Restaurant

Address:

Hotel Valahia

B-dul Libertatii nr.7,

130018 Targoviste

Dambovita,Romania.

Phone: +4 0245 634 491

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website: <https://www.hotelvalahia.ro/>



HOW TO GET TO TARGOVISTE

Targoviste City is 80 km distance from Bucharest (1h45 minutes – 2h by train). To reach Targoviste you have to take the plane to Bucharest. From the airport you can reach Bucharest North Train Station by bus and from there take the train to Targoviste. We recommend you to consult the train timetable on Bucharest-Targoviste route before planning your flight.

- [link transfer aeroport - Bucharest North Train Station](#)
- [link transfer Bucharest North Train Station – Targoviste](#)

You can buy plane tickets only after 15th July. Before you buy tickets, please contact us.

Arrival day: 20.08.2018

Departure day: 29.08.2018

You can arrive two days before the project and leave two days after the project. We do not cover accommodation and meals costs for additional days.

FINANCIAL ASPECTS

The project is funded by the European Commission through the Erasmus + program. Meals, accommodation and activities are fully covered. The travel costs are reimbursed up to these limits:

Czech Republic – 275 € per participant

Estonia – 275 € per participant

Lithuania – 275 € per participant

Macedonia – 180 € per participant

Malta – 275 € per participant

Portugal – 360 € per participant

Slovak Republic – 275 € per participant

The reimbursement of travel costs will be done at the end of the training course, upon we will receive all travel documents in original (tickets, boarding passes, invoices, etc). **The reimbursement will be done only by bank transfer to partner organizations.**

NOTE: Be You Association does not request participation fees and does not encourage this practice.

INSURANCE

The hosting organization does not cover travel and health insurance. Each participant should have valid health insurance (for example European Health Card) and travel insurance during the whole participation in the project.

Also, participants must have during the training course travel documents: identity card / passport.

INTERCULTURAL EVENING

Each national group will have the occasion to present their country, culture, costumes and traditions to all participants.

You can bring food, drinks, songs and other traditional things specific to your country.

PARTICIPANTS ROLE

Participants must prepare a presentation of the sending organization which will be presented during the workshop *Networking*. So bring with you material about your organization (brochures, flyers, etc.). For the project, each national group should prepare a brief research about the situation of youth participation to democratic life at national and European level in own country. Also, each national group will have a day to lead the energizers. We are expecting funny and enjoyable energizers!

WHAT SHOULD BRING WITH YOU?

- Practical clothes for different weather forecasts: warm, hot or short summer showers. Comfortable shoes for walking;
- Personal hygiene things, medicine you usually take, other things you need for personal comfort and well-being;
- Pocket money for personal expenses. Romania's national currency is the Romanian leu- RON. Our recommendation is to have euro with you, currency exchange will be easier and more advantageous;
- Brochures and other materials about your organization;
- Traditional food specific to your gastronomy and something specific to your country.

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

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Cool Youth Association – Macedonia https://www.facebook.com/coolyouthshtip/ Contact person: Stefanova Sanja - +38970899248	
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See you soon!