

# BEEES INSPIRED:

A Hive for Female  
Entrepreneurs

Youth exchange organised by  
Bees Empowered and  
sponsored by Erasmus+  
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## Purpose:

The purpose of the youth exchange is to fight youth unemployment by means of entrepreneurship. We want to bring together young women facing a variety of obstacles who want to start up their own business in the next 12 months. The youth exchange will create a safe space for the aspiring female entrepreneurs to exchange good practices, to learn from each other and to produce a booklet together.

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## Objectives of the Youth Exchange:

- empower women to start their own business based on their own talents
- give space for peer knowledge exchange and learning
- create safe space for experimenting and trying out new things
- exchange of best practices which make a difference - grassroots practices close to the women who use them
- encourage the personal growth of young women: realise potential, discover strengths
- increase economic independence of women and tackle their economic exclusion
- address youth unemployment & self-sufficiency of young women from disadvantaged backgrounds
- preferred target group: women from a disadvantaged background (rural areas, minorities, regions with high unemployment rate, early school leavers)
- create a tool to be used by youth workers when supporting female entrepreneurs: from women to women

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## Youth leader profile:

The profile of **the ideal youth leader** is:

=> works with young women and supports them in their professional development.

=> does career counselling in schools or universities.

=> coaches young women.

=> leads sessions during the youth exchange (optional) and supports the learning process of participants.

=> takes care of the safety of participants, encourages a positive working environment and acts as mediator if conflicts arise.

=> helps with small logistical tasks during the event.

**NB:** The youth leader has to be able to come both to the Advanced Planning visit that will take place from 21 till 24 October 2016 and the actual youth exchange that will take place from 16 till 27 January 2017.

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**Where:** APV: Utrecht, The Netherlands

Youth Exchange: Ommen, The Netherlands

**When:** APV: 21 till 24 October 2016

YE: 16 till 27 January 2017

Both events are including travelling days (12 days)

**Expenses:** Food, accommodation and activities are paid for by the Erasmus+ programme. Travel expenses are reimbursed according to the Erasmus+ rules and the distance the participants need to travel.

**Participation fee for the youth exchange:**

Please note that every attendee of the YE pays a fee of 50 EUR during registration. The money covers the necessary materials used throughout the YE.

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Deadline to nominate a youth leader: 31 August  
2016

Who we are: Bees Empowered is an informal group based in the Netherlands. We are interested in helping youth to overcome the challenges that they are facing in the contemporary world. We are actively working to inspire youngsters to develop their talents to achieve their dreams.

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Let's bee together :-)



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