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Key Action 1 – Mobility of youth workers – Training Course

INFORMATION LETTER

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ÇANAKKALE, TURKEY

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Project Summary:

Our project addresses social, economic and cultural cohesion problems and proposals for solutions for asylum seekers and refugee youth in European society. There are asylum seekers and refugees on one side of the problems to be addressed in order to increase social harmony. We will focus on the issues of understanding, analyzing and involving the European communities and cultures in which these young people are located. On the other side, local communities in Europe have asylum seekers and refugee acceptance problems, rising racism and prejudices. In one aspect, our Project that addresses social inclusion and cohesion of asylum seekers and migrant youths and the need to understand different cultures and systems focuses on the need for programs and systems that are accessible to the social, cultural and economic aspects via civil society through social inclusion processes of asylum- seekers and refugee youths from the other side.

In our training course, activities and outcomes aimed at three main objectives are planned. The first is to increase the social harmony of social, cultural, economic and psychological aspects of asylum seekers, refugees and migrant youth. The second is the enhancement of the expertise and capabilities of civil society organizations involved in social cohesion studies and the capacities of local actors associated with these organizations. The third is to reduce prejudices and racist approaches of the local communities in the geographical regions affected by migration towards asylum seekers and refugees and encourage tolerance and solidarity. In particular, the cultural diversity and social skills possessed by these young people have been targeted to provide a social wealth to the local people through the partner associations. The project will include four participants from each partners; Turkey, Czech Republic, Macedonia, France, Spain, Italy, Greece and Romania. Participants will be composed of 33 people taking the gender balance into consideration, including a specialist. The first participant will be an asylum seeker, a refuge or an immigrant youth. The second participant will be selected from youth leaders or trainers from the immigrant background. Thirdly, one youth worker, leader, teacher or trainer active within their organizations and the fourth participant will be a youth manager from each partner organization. The participant profile was determined in accordance with Project objectives, planned outcomes and dissemination goals. Participants' selection will be made by partner organizations with clear and understandable criteria.

Activities are planned in such a way as to achieve completeness in four interconnected and progressive categories. These are chronologically comprise of case-finding, analysis, knowledge experience transfer and suggestion/planning. There are discussions and workshops on presentations and expert presentations, which will be made up of the researches in their countries during the determination of the situation part. The transfer of knowledge and experience part will include observations, seminars and learning of the activities of different countries. The approaches of local communities in Europe to asylum seekers and refugees will be analyzed by group work. Training activities will be conducted in Europe on rising racism and ways of struggle. The activities to be carried out include activities related to intercultural learning activities, social communication and cultural diversity. Group discussions will

be held to discuss the identified problems and needs. The project will provide hands-on learning through a workshop on social inclusion of asylum-seekers and refugee youth. Participants will be able to plan their own learning processes and assess their achievements with daily assessment, feedback and Youthpass awareness studies.

Preparatory and dissemination activities will include regional and national dimensions, starting from where the project partners operate. In all activities, each partner organization and participant have volunteer and active roles. Our planned learning activities will take place in various learning environments. Experts and facilitators will support the activities. Non-formal and informal methods will be used. Knowledge and skill will be transferred among the participants. Dissemination activities will be carried out for the following target groups; asylum seekers and refugee youth, organizations, trainers, leaders and managers working with these young people, decision makers for these segments, media organizations and local people. We'll realize a project about the discovery of that youngsters' skills in social, cultural and economic areas during the dissemination activities.

The Preparation Task on the Activities:

1. Each project group of the partner countries will prepare a presentation about the situation of asylum seekers and refugees who are living in their own country or region. These presentations must focus on especially two points; first the social, economic and cultural situations of asylum seekers and refugees, second how local people approach them. These presentations can consist of videos, slides, banner methods or a mixture of all of them. (Please focus especially to young people). Presentations should not exceed 10-15 minutes and should include a short question-answer and discussion section which will eventually include the other participants.

2. Don't forget to bring a laptop for each country group as we might need them for some workshops. We will provide you, video projector and speakers.

3. In each project evening, the participants from two countries will present cultural promotion program. In these cultural presentations, there will NOT be videos, tourist promotions, equipped tables composed of various meals and drinks. Each country group will portray their own local cultural traits with creative methods such as animations, games / sketches, dances, etc. Apart from this, only one kind of food / snack which is a symbol of that country and only one kind of drink (alcoholic or nonalcoholic) can be presented. We will also be glad to see the flag of each country during the project.

4. Spanish Group: The group will facilitate a workshop on the topic of "the participation of asylum seekers and refugees in the local management mechanism". This study may include case studies of the municipality where our Spanish partner is located. The group must use non-formal education methods during the activity.

5. Greek Group: The group will facilitate a workshop on the topic of “the impact of recent immigration on racist movements and parties”. After a brief presentation, methods of combating racism and discrimination will be discussed with all participants. The group must use non-formal education methods during the activity.

6. Romanian Group: The group will manage an intercultural learning activity/game. The topic is "Intercultural communication". Also the group will facilitate a discussion about the topic after the activity/game.

7. Macedonian Group: The group will manage an intercultural learning activity/game. The topic is "cultural differences and prejudices". Also the group will facilitate a discussion about the topic after the activity/game.

6. Finally, don't forget to bring your best mood with you!! You will need it and for us will be a motivation to give our best to you! 😊

Dates:

Arrival of participants	: 7 December 2018
Beginning of activities	: 7/8 December 2018
End of activities	: 14 December 2018
Departure of participants	: 15 December 2018

Partners and participants:

1. Esenler Youth and Sport Association, **Turkey**: 4 participants
2. European Youth Centre Breclav z.s. (EYCB), **Czech Republic**: 4 participants
3. Volonterski Centar Bitola (VCB), **Republic of Macedonia**: 4 participants
4. Eurojeunesse (EJ), **France**: 4 participants
5. Ayuntamiento de Alzira, **Spain**: 4 participants
6. European Center in Training for Employment (ECTE), **Greece**: 4 participants
7. Together Romania Association, **Romania**: 4 participants
8. Nucleo Educativo per la formazione Europea al Lavoro Internazionale (NEFELI), **Italy**: 4 participants

- Total number of participants: 32 people.

Profile of the participants:

The project will include four participants from each partner;

- The first participant will be an asylum seeker, a refugee or an immigrant youngster.
- The second participant will be a youth leader or trainer from the immigrant background.
- Thirdly, a youth worker, leader, teacher or trainer from each partner organization.
- And the fourth participant will be a youth manager from each partner organization.

PS: - **We kindly require from our partners to keep the gender balance in mind.**

- All the participants are expected to have advance qualification of English

Financial conditions:

- The Project is implemented with financial support from the European Commission ERASMUS + Program and the Turkish National Agency.

- All accommodation and food costs will be provided by the organizer. Travel costs will be calculated according to the travel distance (according to the rules of the Erasmus+ program).

- Participants are requested to arrange their journey taking the most economical route into account.

- **Your travel expenses will only be reimbursed upon presentation of documentary evidence of the sum actually paid. For this reason, the ORIGINAL INVOICES or TICKETS are necessary (issued by the travel agency or other ticket issuing company). Copies of invoices are not taken into account. This evidence of the expenses will be joined to the claim form for reimbursement together with the relevant travel tickets (plane, train, etc) and boarding passes.**

- **Please buy return tickets for your full journey, and keep your boarding passes.**

- Travel expenses exceeding the stated costs limit will be reimbursed only till the amount of the limit, the excess will be paid by the participant himself/herself.

! There is no participation fee for the project.

! Health insurance is not provided and will not be reimbursed by the organizers. All participants are strongly advised to purchase private travel insurance.

! We kindly remind you that early accommodation and extra overstays will be in your responsibility.

! According to the policy of our NA, taxi costs are not reimbursed. Please, use the public transport and keep all tickets.

! Reimbursement will be done in EUROS, regardless of the currency indicated on your ticket and receipt/invoice. Please note if you buy your ticket in your local currency, we will calculate your travel costs according to the exchange rates of the official European Commission web-site:

http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/inforeuro/index_en.cfm

Note: Please make the copies (better scan or take photographs) of your tickets and invoices before you come to the training. E-mail them to us (esenlergsk17@gmail.com) as soon as you buy them. If you have tickets and invoices, make sure that you e-mail copies of both.

Travel costs limits (maximum travel limit for per person):

Czech Republic	275 €
Macedonia	180 €
France	275 €
Spain	360 €
Italy	275 €
Greece	180 €
Romania	275 €

Others:

- If you need a visa to come to Turkey, please visit the Turkish Consulate nearest to you. And apply for visa as soon as possible. Also you can take online visa: <https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/>
- **You must travel from the country that you applied for our project. (For example, if you participate from Italy, you must leave Italy for Turkey).**
- Project language will be in English.

Follow-Up and Evaluation:

It is very important to keep in touch with all the participants after the project. Communication details of all participants will be shared. Before the end of the project, ideas to improve the project collectively and individually will be discussed. A survey will be done for participants on the last day of the project. Thus we will be able to reach more detailed ideas.

If you still have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us:

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Day	Date	Draft Daily Program
1	7.12.2018	Arrival ☺☺☺ and welcome meeting, name games Lunch Presentation and discussion about “migration” Presentation of the Program, evaluation and youthpass activities Welcome dinner
2	8.12.2018	Presentation about “migration and Turkey” and discussion- opinions Presentation about “migration and Spain” and discussion- opinions Lunch Presentation about “migration and Romania” and discussion- opinions Presentation about “migration and Greece” and discussion- opinions Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner Cultural Night (Turkey – Czech Republic)
3	9.12.2018	Presentation about “migration and Czech Republic” and discussion- opinions Presentation about “migration and Macedonia” and discussion- opinions Lunch Presentation about “migration and Italy” and discussion- opinions Presentation about “migration and France” and discussion- opinions Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner Cultural Night (Macedonia – France)
4	10.12.2018	Study visit Seminar: “Turkey's immigration policy and the work of the Governorship” and discussion Lunch City Rally Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner Cultural Night (Spain – Italy)
5	11.12.2018	Team building activities Workshop: “Local communities' approach to refugees and asylum seekers” Presentations of the workshop and city rally Lunch Workshop: “Immigration and the rise of racism in Europe” and discussion Intercultural Learning Activity about European values Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner Cultural Night (Greece – Romania)
6	12.12.2018	Workshop about intercultural communication Workshop: “A thin line between integration and assimilation” and discussion Lunch Intercultural Learning Activity about cultural diversity Workshop: “Social interaction in cultural diversity” Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner Cultural Night : Local musics and dances from different cultures
7	13.12.2018	Round-table Conference: Erasmus + Program and new ideas for new projects on the project topic Workshop: “Differences and prejudices” Lunch Workshop: “Social inclusion sampling of disadvantaged youth” Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner
8	14.12.2018	Workshop: “Planning for the inclusion of immigrant, refugee and asylum seeker youth” Presentation of the group works Lunch Workshop: “Dissemination activities of the project” Presentation of the group works and discussion Evaluation, competences of youthpass and feedback from Participants Dinner and youthpass ceremony
9	15.12.2018	Departure ☹☹☹

ABOUT CANAKKALE;

The province of Canakkale lies in the northwest of Turkey on both sides of the Dardanelles (the ancient Hellespont), a strait which connects the Sea of Marmara to the Aegean Sea. Its shores touch both Europe and Asia.

Canakkale is the name of both the city and the province which includes the legendary citadel of **Troy (Troia)**, the ruins of **Assos** where the famous Temple of Athena was built, and the battlefields of **Gallipoli**. Archaeologists say there are up to 200 ancient sites in this region, many still unexcavated, so it is possible you may be wandering among ruins thousands of years old without even knowing it! There are also many Ottoman structures still standing; castles, bridges, mosques, mansions and Turkish baths. In the villages and towns, centuries-old crafts, cooking and styles of dress can still be seen.

Although you will occasionally feel as if you have stepped back in history, Canakkale has firmly embraced the first century of the new millennium when it comes to the essentials of living and you will have no difficulty finding an internet cafe, fax facilities, cornflakes, cashpoints and the rest. According to the statistics, half of all families in the city of Canakkale own a car, about half use a mobile phone and there is one of the lowest crime rates in Turkey.

Those of you who are fascinated by history will find plenty of interesting sightseeing in the area. There are also lots of uncrowded corners where you can paddle along the shore, lay down on the sand, scuba dive or just stay in the shadow, see something exotic and gaze out at the sea.

In the Gulf of Edremit, the air is claimed to have one of the highest concentrations of oxygen in the world. Around the province there are thermal spas in small towns where a variety of ailments are treated. Geologists may have a field day studying these and other mineral springs where both hot and cold water gush from the ground. Here, the rich variety of insect life, plants, mosses and lichens would keep a botanist busy for a life time.

When night falls, most of the socializing takes place on or near the seafront, where there are cafes, bars, tea gardens and discos to suit everyone's taste. In short, the city and province of Canakkale present a spectrum of pleasures, beliefs, larger-than-life characters, customs and undiscovered history awaiting exploration by the inquisitive mind or advent.

Ancient Troy is famous for the legendary Trojan Horse from the times of an equally legendary couple: Helen and Paris. Homer immortalized Troy with his narration of the stories of King Priam, Hector, Paris and the beautiful Helen. Excavations on the site have revealed at least nine separate periods of settlement. The ruins include a temple, a theater and the foundations of other constructions. Today, a recent wooden copy of the famous Trojan Horse symbolically stands at the entrance to the site to recall its legendary origin, long since vanished.

Links:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Çanakkale_Province

<http://www.goturkey.com/en/city/detail/canakkale>

<http://www.canakkaletravel.com/indexingilizce.htm>

<http://www.thetroyguide.com>

<http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/uni/aft/st/index.html>

<http://www.canakkale.gen.tr/eng/engindex.html>

Other information that might be useful when coming to Turkey

Further information about Turkey: <http://www.kultur.gov.tr/>

Weather: <https://mgm.gov.tr/eng/forecast-cities.aspx?m=CANAKKALE>

Legal obligations in Turkey:

- © Drugs are prohibited.
- © Smoking prohibited in all restaurants, cafes, bars, pubs, clubs and discos.

Currency and money:

- © Turkish currency is Lira (Turkish Lira – TRY). 1 Euro = (Around) 7,50 TL.
- © You can change the money at any bank and exchange office in Turkey.

You can also use bank cards such as VISA, MASTERCARD in many places (although not everywhere).

Language:

The official language in Turkey is Turkish. It's not so easy to find some people who can speak English if they are upper than 30 ☺, younger generation speaks English, some can communicate in German.

Main phrases that can be useful during your stay in Turkey:

ç : like ciao (hello in Italian)

ş : like champagne

Hello – Merhaba

Good morning – Gunaydin

Good night – İyi geceler

Please - Lutfen

Thank you – Teşekkürler

My name is- Benim adim

I don't understand – Sizi anlamıyorum

I am hungry – Açım

Coffee – Kahve

Beer – Bira

How much does it cost? – Kaç para?

Turkey - Türkiye

Macedonia – Makedonya

Spain – İspanya

Romania – Romanya

One - Bir

Two - İki

Three - Üç

Four - Dört

Five - Beş

Ten - On

Hundred - Yüz

Water – Su

Tea - Çay

Bread – Ekmek

Where is the toilet? – Tuvalet nerede?

I am from Italy – İtalya'dan geliyorum

France – Fransa

Greece – Yunanistan

Czech Republic – Çekya

See you soon in Turkey!

Çanakkale, 14.09.2018

Project Team