

## WHAT'S SO HOT ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE: ROAD TO PARIS

KA3 – Structured Dialogue Dublin, Ireland Oct 21st-23rd 2015

#### PARTICIPANT'S INFORMATION PACK

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# WHAT IS 'WHAT'S SO HOT ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE: ROAD TO PARIS' ABOUT?

This structured dialogue meeting will provide young people with the chance to actively engage with local and national policy makers on the issue of climate change in advance of the COP 21 Convention (UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, Conference of the Parties 21, Paris 30<sup>th</sup> Nov-Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 2015).

The meeting will involve approx 70 young people and leaders from six different countries.

Please note: The meeting begins at 10am Wednesday 21st October so please ensure participants arrive in Dublin on the evening of Tuesday 20th October. The meeting closes at 4pm on Friday 23rd October, and participants should aim to depart that evening.







# **AIMS OF THE PROJECT**

The aims of this Structured Dialogue meeting are:

- To give young people the opportunity to engage in meaningful and structured dialogue with policy makers and enforcers on the issue of climate change.
- To provide young environmentalists with the space and opportunity to exchange knowledge and ideas on climate change and taking action in their own countries and in a European context.
- To empower young people to take action on climate change at a local level.



#### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

 The three day meeting will take place in **Dublin**, the Republic of Ireland.







- Accommodation details for the three day meeting will be provided closer to the date, along with travel information to the venue.
- Meals and accommodation will be provided by ECO-UNESCO.
- Time zone is GMT.
- Plugs: Three pin plug.



- Sensible clothes for changeable weather that is often wet in October.
- In Ireland the currency is EURO.



## REIMBURSEMENT

This project is funded by Erasmus+ through the National Agency Leargas.

Each partner organisation will be reimbursed for their travel costs to attend the meeting as per the Erasmus+ funding allowance, of which you have been informed directly by email.



#### IMPORTANT TRAVEL/MEETING INFORMATION

Partner organisations are invited to send five young people aged 16-18yrs old along with one adult youth leader/worker. While not essential, we would encourage partners to select participants who meet the following criteria if possible:

 They have demonstrated an interest and capacity to engage in environmental issues, especially climate change





- They are committed to carrying out an action plan to completion
- Consideration of gender balance and disadvantaged backgrounds

Please note: This project will be facilitated in English.

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#### PREPARATION FOR THE MEETING

Preparation for the meeting is outlined in the Activity Table (attached). The schedule for the three day meeting in Dublin is also included in that document.

Any promotion of this event should incorporate the ECO-UNESCO, Leargas and Erasmus+ logos.

The next steps for partner organisations are as follows:

- Please select one young person to represent your group and be part of the Core Project Team. The Core Project Team will help facilitate the project by keeping us updated on each group's progress and needs. The Core Project team will include one young person from each partner organisation and members of ECO-UNESCO's own Youth Advisory Committee. We would like the Core Project Team to communicate at least once a month by Skype, or at very least, by email. We would like each partner to have their nominated young person in place by Monday, September 7th.
- ECO-UNESCO will forward you a needs assessment. Please complete this with your group and return to us.
- Please help prepare your group for the project by supporting them to develop their background knowledge in the following areas:

Climate change,

Sustainable Development,

Globalisation,

Local and national Environmental Policy and decision making, Understanding of the COP 21 process





- Knowledge development and capacity building in preparation for the 3 day seminar should engage interactive learning/participatory methodologies. Activities can be decided upon by individual groups, but may include hosting a mock-COP21 among group-members in advance of the 3 day seminar.
- Preparatory work and learning for the 3 day seminar should be documented. Groups are requested to document their activities using video diaries, photographs and/or blog inputs.

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See you in Dublin!



