



Erasmus+

KA1 YOUTH EXCHANGE

Practising Peace with Music

01-10 March 2015

MuŐ - Turkey

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Through this concert within the project, our goals are; to contribute to peace, to raise consciousness about conflicts in Turkey, EU and neighbouring countries, to prevent the increasing racism and discrimination with the participants from different cultures and conflicting countries. By doing this in a disadvantaged region like Muş, we will promote Erasmus+ Youth Programme and its opportunities in Europe to local young people with less opportunities.

The project is planned as a youth exchange and it will take place in Muş by the participation of 37 participants (4 participants and 1 leader for each country) from 7 country. Most of the participants will be disadvantaged young people who haven't been abroad before, and are willing to improve themselves in the subject of peace.

During the project, non-formal learning methods will be used. Participants from different cultural backgrounds will shape a diverse group. In this way, participants will learn from each other. Role plays, case studies, group works, visual presentations, simulation games and outdoor activities will take place during this 10 days long exchange.

Objectives of the project,

- To consolidate European values such as tolerance, respect to diversity, democracy, human rights and to create a European awareness among the participants.
- To improve dance, music, painting, theatrical skills of the participants and to show them how to use their skills to contribute to peace.
- To be the first of the projects those we are planning to carry out in the future, as a start.
- To increase the number of young people who benefit from these programmes by promoting youth programmes, to involve disadvantaged young people who have difficulties integrating to social life and/or who haven't participated in an exchange programme before.
- To gain awareness against discrimination as European citizens
- To encourage active volunteering in non-governmental organizations. To ensure young people are sensitive individuals towards problems around themselves as active citizens.

As a result of the project, the participants will be sensitive to cases of discrimination, and they will be willing to work on the subject of peace. At the same time, visibility of Erasmus+ Youth Programme will increase in Muş, locally.

We expect the participants will be more sensitive about the issues of discrimination and peace, and they will raise awareness among the individuals around them by making them adopt this perception and create an influence. Participants are expected to create a positive influence in both national and international area through the activities will be held by participating institutions and organizations.

In the long term, we expect possible benefits such as;

- Contribution to Erasmus+ Youth Programme by local disadvantaged individuals in Muş.

-Contribution to societal peace in the future through the new projects of the participants against discrimination and about the subject of peace.

LANGUAGE

The language of the course will be English. For the participants English is not a must, but the leaders should be able to speak in English.

TARGET GROUP AND AGE LIMITS

Young People who are motivated to participate in an interactive Exchange
Who are interested in topics of peace, conflict, discrimination and who are interested in artistic activities such as theatre and music
4 Participants aged between 18-25
1 group leader and there is no age limit for the leaders

THE VENUE

We will be hosted in a Hotel in the city of Mus. Accommodation provided- double and triple rooms. No need to bring your own towels.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY

Muş (alternative spelling: Mush) is the provincial capital of Muş Province in Turkey.
Population of the municipality of Muş: 64,088 (1997 census)

The town dates back to the 6th century AD, and now it shelters the remains of a couple of citadels and the Aslanhane Caravanserai. It is considered one of the early centers of the Armenian civilization and housed ancient Armenian churches until the 1960s. There are also mosques from the Seljuk period, like the Alaeddin Pasa, Hacı Seref and Ulu Mosques. Mus had been under the reign of Urartu, Median, Persian, Armenian, Byzantine, civilizations.



TRAVEL COSTS

We will reimburse travel cost during project. However, in case we will not receive project grant on time from NA then we will transfer via bank. We will let you know this in advance.

! Note: Reimbursement of travel costs will only be done upon presentation of all (including return tickets) original tickets, receipt/invoices and boarding passes. Please print before all documents, which are related to travel expenses. This means that once home after the training, participants will be asked to send the originals of all return documents and boarding passes. Please remember to bring the original invoices – there will be no reimbursement without the original invoices and tickets with indicated Names of travellers, description of the journey, indication of cost and currency and date of travel.

Please do not lose your boarding passes; you will need them for reimbursement of travel cost.

!! Note: If participants pay for their ticket with a credit card, they are requested to bring along the confirmation of payment (i.e. credit card slip and/or bank statement).

!!! Note: Reimbursement will be done in EUR, regardless of the currency indicated on the ticket and receipt/invoice. Any tickets purchased in a local currency other than EUR, will then be converted and calculated according to the exchange rate of the month when the grant agreement for this project will be signed by the NA, as stated in the official European Commission web-site at <http://ec.europa.eu/budget/infocore/index.cfm?Language=en>

!!!! Note: Please check for the travel budget limits at the end of this document.

!!!!!! Note: Finally, please make copies (or even better, scan or take photographs) of all tickets and invoices and email these to activecitizenseurope@gmail.com before attending the training. This will be very helpful to organisers to begin processing the financial and reimbursement data so that all payments may be made as efficiently as possible.

The following only applies to participants travelling by plane:

You should arrive to Muş before midnight of 1st March 2015 and leave on 10th March 2015.

You can stay up to 3 days before or after the project. You should arrange your own accommodation then. We are not responsible for the time you spend in Istanbul out of project period.

TRAVELLING AND ARRIVAL TO THE VENUE

There is one airport in Muş. You can also travel with bus but keep it in mind that it will take 20 hours from Istanbul. So we suggest you use plane.

Once we have all your travel information we will pick you up from Muş Airport.

!!! Muş Does not have Custom Check which means you need to pick up your luggage at Istanbul or Ankara. If you forget then you begs will come to Muş.

VISA ARRANGEMENTS

Turkey is not yet in the EU so please bring along your passports! Some of you may need visa. You can get visa in airport. Please check the board before the passport control if you need visa or not. It costs 15 euro.

Visa cost will be reimbursed %100 when it is presented

HEALTH INSURANCE

Health insurance is not provided and will not be reimbursed by the organisers. All participants are strongly advised to purchase private travel insurance, as costs of private health care in Turkey are quite high.

PREPARATION AND WHAT TO BRING

- Please prepare a short presentation (max 10 mins) regarding the racism and discrimination problem in your country. Here you can also mention about what NGOs are doing about this. The projects, campaigns etc.
- Documents about your organization.
- For intercultural night. You are free to bring food, drinks, snacks to present during i intercultural night. Please bear in mind that it will not be possible to cook something. You can also show dance, play music etc.
- You do not need to bring towel. It will provide by hotel.

CONTACT DETAILS

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ANNEX 1

Country	Organization	Number of Participants	Maximum Travel Cost Per person (Euro)
UK	NICOLA (New International Company of Live Arts)	4 Young person+ 1 Leader	400
Croatia	Ocean Znanja u Republici Hrvatskoj	4 Young person + 1 Leader	270
Czech Republic	AEGEE-Praha	4 Young person+ 1 Leader	270
Italy	Young Effect Association	4 Young person+ 1 Leader	270
Lithuania	Kaunas University of Technology Students Union	4 Young person+ 1 Leader	270
Poland	Fundacja Centrum Aktywnosci Tworczej	4 Young person+ 1 Leader	270