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“Youth Democracy Builders - DYB”
Erasmus+ KA3 Structured Dialogue – phase II
Scilla and Reggio Calabria / 2nd – 8th December 2018



ABOUT THE PROJECT

Our KA3 is named "Democracy Youth Builders!" and it is an Erasmus+ project aimed at Dialogue between young people and policy makers which pretends to boost and promote joint decision-making between young people and Institutional actors at local and European level.

The long-term action includes 2 youth seminars to be developed in 2018 in Poland and in Italy. The project has been tailored by 6 Programme Countries Partner organizations and their youth societies coming from Poland, Italy, Spain, Croatia, Macedonia and Estonia. The project has as a basis the interaction to a open dialogue and to build bridges for intervention and concrete, direct collaboration in the field of democracy building (human rights, decision-making, and youth work).

Our objectives will be:

- Promote and discuss on European democracy and values via structured dialogue and participation,
- Embrace inclusive and harmonic cooperation and synergies between youth and decision-makers,
- Involve youth in political decision-making by organizing simulations, workshops and youth seminars/conferences aimed at exploring the relevance of active citizenship of young people,
- Produce effective engagement of youth as equal partners for the recognition of the rights of all young people to participate at all levels of decision-making and to make productive use of their knowledge, perspectives and experience,
- Contribute to policy-making and commit youth to develop strategies and establish action plan to embrace European values as equality, respect and human rights,
- Empower the role of youth work and civil society organizations for democracy building action via joint recommendations,
- Promote structured dialogue with the support of Erasmus+ which proves that youth have means to express their political perspective and EU values.

PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE

Participants are active youth workers, educators, youth leaders and representatives of our Organizations. All of them should fall into this amazing profile:

- be aged between 18 and 30 years (except the Young Politician leading the group, aged 18+)
- be a youth leader and multiplier, actively involved in a youth Organization or governmental service at national or international level, working with young people
- be interested in the development of tools and strategy for youth inclusion in decision-making
- be active in strengthening the role of youth work within youth organization and accordingly formulate joint recommendations processed in groups
- be in a position to take on responsibilities within their Organization after the course be ready to learn and further develop their personal competences
- be well informed about their Organization and prepared to explain its activities to the other participants
- be able to work in one of the two working languages of the course - fluent English and possibly basic French (Applicants must have sufficient understanding of either of the working language of the course)
- be committed to attend the full duration of the course
- be actively supported by their youth Organization or institution - before, during and after the project.

Attention: this project has 2 phases (one in Poland and a second one in Italy) – at least 2 people of each national Team must be present in the second phase of the project to insure of the quality of the ongoing process of young political democracy building! 😊

VENUE

All participants and guests will be hosted at:

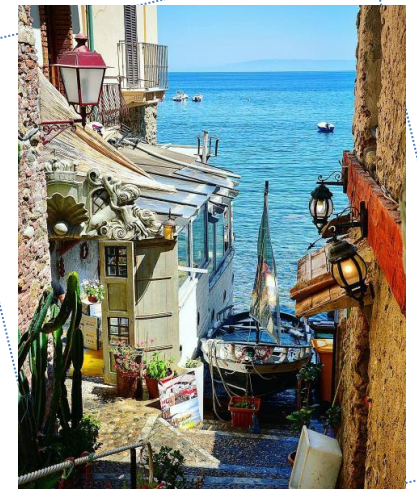
Miramare Grand Youth Hostel Scilla

Contrada Pacì, snc

89058 - Scilla (Reggio Calabria)

The Hostel features fully equipped rooms, private bathrooms, and daily cleaning service. Please, bring your towels and personal hygiene products. Working rooms and spaces are settled at the venue for the project development. Food will be served according to the schedule, taking into consideration special needs of our participants. Guests can dine on regional Italian and Calabrese cuisine in the hotel's canteen. Wi-fi is working in all buildings belonging to the Hotel.

ATTENTION: we will have a lot of local spots to visit and also the last 2 days will be intensively and extensively bringing us to Reggio Calabria centre and its local Authorities. Be aware and ready for it.



HOW TO ARRIVE

The city is served by the “Aeroporto dello Stretto” or Tito Minniti Airport, located on the Southern part of the city of Reggio Calabria.

In alternative, flights are also landing at the Lamezia Terme International Airport. Both airports belong to the consortia “Aeroporti della Calabria”.

Further information: <http://www.aeroporticalabria.com>

All participants are kindly requested to arrive at the venue not later than 4.00 pm on 2nd December. Departures will be arranged for 8th December morning.

As for the transportation from the airports of Lamezia Terme and Reggio Calabria, we can arrange buses for you at a group or under 30 years old prices with one of the local companies running the service, as we usually do.

Attention: Before you book your flight tickets, please send us your travel plan and communicate with us at edym.ngo@gmail.com and eurofrc@gmail.com to get confirmation and support for determining all details of your trip.

A good website for flights comparing prices of almost all airlines is: www.skyscanner.net

REIMBURSEMENTS

Travel expenses will be reimbursed according to the Erasmus+ Programme rules and regulations.

The maximum allowances are so far distributed:

Italy: 0€	Poland: 275,00€
Spain: 275,00€	Estonia: 360,00€
Croatia: 275,00€	Macedonia: 275,00€

To get your reimbursement we compulsory require:

1. eTicket / receipt / invoice from online or agency booking
2. Your boarding passes/travel tickets in original, used to travel to/from Italy

Please, bear in mind that we cannot reimburse your travel costs unless we receive the mentioned documentation (we must provide proof of them to the Polish National Agency FRSE). To have your expenses fully reimbursed, please book 'two-way' tickets (incl. bus/train etc.).

Dates must be corresponding to the project dates of arrival and departure.

We kindly ask you to send requested documents to us as soon as possible once you are back in your country.

All tickets, receipts, invoices and boarding passes should be sent as to our Office address:

**Europejska Fundacja Rozwoju Czlowieka
Ul. Nowomiejska, 3/50
91-414 Łódź
Polska**

IMPORTANT: before you send the originals by post, you must send scanned versions of those to: edym.ngo@gmail.com and eurofrc@gmail.com

THE TOWN OF SCILLA

Scilla is a town administratively part of the Metropolitan City of Reggio Calabria It is the traditional site of the sea monster Scylla of Greek mythology.

The town, 22 kilometres (14 mi) from the city of Reggio Calabria, lies in front of the strait of Messina, and it is composed of two parts: the downtown, where the town offices and the residence of the patronal saint are situated, and Marina di Scilla, the beach-front, populated by tourists and thus heavily characterized by hotels and restaurants. Since its beach is the first place north of Reggio Calabria where the waters are not cooled down by the strait draughts.

The Ruffo Castle, a fortress built by the Dukes of Calabria overlooks the beach. On a seaward-facing terrace is Scilla Lighthouse, an important aid to ships entering the Strait of Messina from the north.

The village suffered greatly from the 1783 Calabria earthquakes and the 1908 Messina earthquake.

Nowadays, Scilla's coastal district of Chianalea is inscribed into "*I Borghi più belli d'Italia*", conquering the heart and attention of tons of tourists and youth.

THE CITY OF REGGIO CALABRIA

Reggio Calabria is located on the "toe" of the Italian peninsula and is separated from the island of Sicily by the Strait of Messina. It is situated on the slopes of the Aspromonte, a long, craggy mountain range that runs up through the center of the region. The 3rd economic center of mainland Southern Italy has a population of more than 380,000 people living all over the Metropolitan area (the 10th metropolitan city of Italy).

As a major functional pole in the region, it has strong historical, cultural and economic ties with the city of Messina. The oldest city in the region, despite its ancient foundation was an important and flourishing colony of Magna Graecia - it boasts a modern urban system, set up after the catastrophic earthquake on December 28th, 1908, which destroyed most of the city. It is a major economic center for regional services and transports in the southern shores of the Mediterranean.

Reggio is home to one of the most important archaeological museums, the prestigious National Archaeological Museum of Magna Graecia, dedicated to Ancient Greece (which houses the famous Bronzes of Riace, rare example of Greek bronze sculpture, which became one of the symbols of the city). Is the center of the Regional Council of Calabria and of two recently founded universities: the "Mediterranea" University, and the "Università per Stranieri" ('University for Foreigners'). There are also an Academy of Fine Arts (opened in 1967) and a Conservatory of Music (founded in 1927). The city center, consisting primarily of liberty buildings, has a linear development along the coast, with parallel streets and the waterfront promenade is dotted with rare magnolias and exotic palms. Reggio has commonly used popular nicknames: The "city of Bronzes", for the Riace bronzes which are testimonials of its Greek origins; the "city of bergamot", which is exclusively cultivated in the region; and the "city of Fatamorgana", an optical phenomenon visible in Italy only from the Reggio seaside.



CURRENCY & EXCHANGE RATES

The official currency is Euro (€).

We suggest you to change your money beforehand or once arrived at the airport/station in Italy for your personal expenses.

Please, to accurately calculate the change rate, use the European Central Bank currency converter:
<https://sdw.ecb.europa.eu/curConverter.do>

ELECTRICITY

Electricity in Italy, as in the rest of Europe, comes out of the wall socket at 220 volts alternating at 50 cycles per second. Please, check if you need an adapter for plugging your devices.

INSURANCE

The European Health Insurance Card is valid in Italy and it is recognized in all medical centers. In case you have the card, you do not need to have additional insurances.

For those who are in need of VISA, the insurance must be included in the same cost, guaranteeing safety and security to your staying.

If not, participants are required to have insurance cover for the entire duration of the project. Insurance is obligatory for your safety and health.

WEATHER

The climate is one of the hottest and most likeable of the country, with warm autumns and springs, but humid conditions in the afternoons.

Generally, December month fluctuates between 14° and 24°, so be ready for such temperatures.

For weather forecasts you can check here:

<https://www.accuweather.com/en>

We suggest being equipped with hoodies and some jackets, eventually and to have both comfortable dresses and shoes, as you are requested to also have some casual smart suits.

Also, we suggest to bring umbrellas, as it may appear some short thunder storm.

WHAT TO BRING

As we will have online work, we kindly ask participants to bring their laptops and/or any electronic device that can be used to work on the topics, prepare some activities and work on Youthpass.

Please, take into consideration that all participants will have an online preparation with some tasks to develop the project

(prior arrival).

We also remind to bring:

- towels
- personal hygiene products
- specific medicines (if any)
- personal documents
- material regarding your Sending Organizations,
- food/beverages for the ICE (InterCultural Evening)

...And don't forget to bring your smiles! 😊

InterCultural Evening (ICE)

On 3rd December, we will enjoy each other traditions and food in our InterCultural Evening! 😊

Please, agree within your national team on what foods, beverages and only one selected video (no more than 3 minutes) to delight the DYB family... we just wait for the best, we will be all eyes and ears to enjoy!

Take into account that we can use kitchen only for very little things (not to cook), so get in touch with us for your ideas, and we will tell and prepare everything!

PS. Don't forget to bring your national flags!

The Erasmus+ participants will have a preparation phase led by Europejska Fundacja Rozwoju Czlowieka and the Pool of Experts of the Structured Dialogue project.

The phase II is held in Italy and organized by EuroDemos Youth Mobility NGO.

We kindly ask participants to bring their laptops or any electronic devices that can be used to develop some tasks and support the implementation of the project. We also invite all participants to bring with themselves materials regarding their sending organizations, as we will have a moment of sharing about youth work and our sector in the framework of our NGOs.

In addition to this, and for your own use, you must:

- To prepare a presentation of problems presented in the transitory tasks of democracy building in our countries and current youth policies in our countries
- To prepare a **factsheet about participation of your country done by your team on the basis of what you developed in phase I**
- To **contact your Organizations for collecting the 100 answers related to the survey we have created** per country from 1st November to 20th November 2018
- To bring some sample/example of participation, human rights support or youth activism at a local level after phase I in Poland
- **To collect 3 interviews on a video of no more than 3 minutes about the vision of democracy and participation that youth have in your country**

REGISTRATION

Please, before proceeding to any booking and confirmation, register at the following link:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ci4QhowuOx6e6imuob5FRY_PFFJR31NUbaHhktg2o4Y

Attention: The registration is a compulsory step both for Youth Political Leaders and for Participants of each team.

CONTACTS

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**WE WAIT FOR YOU TO TAKE PART IN THE LAST PHASE
OF “Democracy Youth Builders”! 😊**