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# **Youth Against Extremism and Radicalization**

# **Double staged Youth Exchange**

Yerevan | Armenia 28 June- 7 July 2018 **Budapest | Hungary 11-18 September 2018** 



#### **Summary**

Countries: Hungary, Armenia, Georgia, Estonia & Turkey

Location: Budapest, Hungary

Dates: 11 September - 18 September 2018

Coordinator Organization: Európai Hallgatók Hálózatának Egyesülete (AEGEE-Budapest) Hosting organization: Európai Hallgatók Hálózatának Egyesülete (AEGEE-Budapest)

"Youth Against Extremism and Radicalization" is a two-stage international youth exchange project which aims to gather 35 young people from 5 countries (Hungary, Armenia, Georgia, Turkey & Estonia) and empower them to fight against extremism and radicalization.

Violent extremism and radicalization is a denial of democracy and of human rights. Unfortunately in Europe and beyond an increasing number of young people are being drawn into extremist movements in their search for identity and a meaningful place in society. Profound feelings of injustice and frustration about their social exclusion are amongst the main root causes contributing to young people's vulnerability, and increase their willingness to adhere to extremist, sometimes violent groups, which offer an apparent social purpose to them.

#### Overall aims & Objectives:

The main aim of this two-stage Youth Exchange "Youth Against Extremism and Radicalization" is to create a platform where young people will demystify the concepts of radicalization and extremism, become more aware of processes and risks leading to radicalization and extremism and be empowered to engage in anti-extremism and de-radicalization efforts both individually and collectively within their local communities in general and among refugees and migrant communities in particular.

### Participation in both Youth Exchanges is preferable but NOT mandatory!

#### Objectives of the first stage: Youth Exchange in Armenia (28 June-7 July 2018)

- Explore the concept of radicalization and extremism among youth
- Explore the root causes for radicalization and extremism.
- Analyze the current situation and risks facing young people today, particularly young people among refugees/asylum seekers and migrants.
- Explore common European Values of tolerance, pluralism, non-discrimination, justice, solidarity and democracy and how youth can embrace and promote them in their local communities.
- Decide themes, topics and methods of the Youth Exchange Activity in Hungary
- Form teams from participants to do research and observation in their local communities in order to find useful insights and opportunities for combating radicalization and extremism.

#### Objectives of the second stage: Youth Exchange in Hungary (11-18 September 2018)

- Provide opportunities to share good practices in fighting extremism and radicalization.
- Gather insights, learning, inspirations and experience of participants from their local communities and translate them into concrete project ideas.
- Equip participants with knowledge and skills in the field of project management in order to enable them to develop quality youth projects.
- Promote Erasmus + Programme and explain how young people can be involved in it.
- Develop concrete projects to be applied under Erasmus + Programme
- Transfer knowledge and skills through developing and publishing online a booklet "Young People Against Radicalization and Extremism"

The Youth Exchange will be based on non formal learning methods and principles, intercultural dialogue and communication in including group discussions, interactive presentations, participant's lead workshops, team work, etc. Youthpass tool will be used throughout the project to help young people reflect regularly on their personal learning journeys and become more aware of their own

learning. The methodology of the project will stimulate active participation and sense of initiative and involvement of the learners.

#### Unforgettable intercultural experience!

The project aims to provide an unforgettable and rich intercultural experience where people from different countries and culture bring their touch and insights to the project creating a synergy of learning and new friendships.

#### **Discover Hungary, Budapest!**

Participants will have opportunities to discover Budapest, Hungary. Participants will be given self-structured free time mainly to engage in activities of their choice. Optional excursions and trips will be organized making stay both as relaxing and fun as possible!

#### **Arrival and Departure dates**

## **Budapest | Hungary 11 September - 18 September 2018**

Arrival: 10 September 2018 in Budapest (Accommodation check in after 15:00)

<u>Departure:</u> 19 September 2018 from Budapest (Accommodation check out by 11:00 AM)

<u>Note</u>: Bear in mind that according to the guidelines of Erasmus+ program the travel back must be realized by participants on direct way within maximum of 2 days. In case of longer stays or indirect travel (holiday travel, etc) there is no chance of reimbursement. Always get the approval from organizers for your flight before purchasing it.

**Early arrivals or late departures** are at the responsibility of the participants to pay for stay. If you arrive early or leave later than the dates above you have to cover your own accommodation or food.

#### Participants profiles:

#### **35 Participants**

- Residents of Hungary, Armenia, Georgia, Estonia and Turkey (6+1 per country)
- Age limit: 20-30
- Gender balance: Equal number of male and female participants will be invited.
- Priority given to participants with fewer opportunities.
- Be committed to attend the full duration of the course and implement follow up and dissemination activities after the project.
- Preferable: ability and willingness to contribute to lead a session or facilitate a group activity

Registration of participants is final <u>only</u> upon purchase of flight tickets. For Georgia participants special case applies as transportation is pre-organized.

### Accommodation and food

The project will be implemented in the frame of the Erasmus + Programme:

Accommodation and food will be covered 100% by the organizer.

In Budapest, participants will stay in Green Garden Hostel <a href="http://greenhostel.hu/">http://greenhostel.hu/</a> around 10 minutes by bus from the city center. There is WiFi Internet Connection at the accommodation.

Participants will share rooms.

Participants will be provided with three meals per day & a coffee break.

<u>Important notice on food:</u> Please, keep in mind, that the provided food may differ from the food you are used to have in your country, and, even in case of providing food for special

groups, e.g. (if you are heavily meat eater or vegetarian) it may not fully meet your expectations. We strongly recommend participants to inform the organizers IN ADVANCE about any special needs.

<u>Important!</u> After your arrival you have to pay 20€ deposit. You get back the amount at your departure if there is no damage at the property. Please prepare the required amount of money.

#### Travel and reimbursement

## Travel expenses will be covered 100% according to Erasmus + limits as follow:

Country	Calculated start city	Maximum Reimbursement amount
Hungary	Budapest	-
Armenia	Yerevan	EUR 360
Georgia	Tbilisi	EUR 360
Turkey	Hatay	EUR 275
Estonia	Hiiumaa	EUR 275



- **Maximum reimbursement amount** is the maximum amount a participant can be reimbursed. Anything above this amount will have to be covered by the participant.
- **Travel will be reimbursed via bank transfer** after the project and after submission of all travel documentation including return boarding passes
- **To be reimbursed**: Participants must fill in the reports and provide the following documents latest 2 weeks after the training:
  - 1. Tickets (Airline, bus, train,etc): Original or electronic
  - 2. Invoice
  - 3. Flight boarding passes
- Calculated Start city is the point where travel distance is calculated in the project. While you may start your travel from anywhere in your country, if your start location is not the city mentioned above then you need to provide organizers with some other information. If this is the case, please consult with organizers
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#### Visa:

For participants from Turkey and Armenia will need visa to enter Hungary. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:erasmusproject@aegee-budapest.hu">erasmusproject@aegee-budapest.hu</a> for the invitation letters.

Please, check the validity of the passports before the departure!

Important

# Watch for your passport! Do not lose it while traveling!

#### **Local Money:**

The Hungarian Currency is called FORINT (HUF). In the shops US dollars and Euros are not taken. There are many places in Budapest where you may exchange money (from Euros and US dollars). We recommend using cash instead of credit or debit cards as fees usually have to be paid when withdrawing money in Budapest.

The approximate exchange rate is:

1 USD - 280 - HUF; 1 EUR - 330 HUF

We call it Forint (Ft)

You can always check the exchange rate at: https://www.mnb.hu/en/arfolyamok

#### **Arrival to Budapest**

You will arrive by flight to the Liszt Ferenc International Airport in Budapest. From the airport You have some opportunity to come to the city. By public transport:

- Take the bus nr. 100E and travel until Astoria stop. The bus ticket costs 900 HUF. For more information: <a href="https://bkk.hu/en/airport-shuttle/">https://bkk.hu/en/airport-shuttle/</a>
- At astoria change your bus to 8E, 110, 112 bus and travel until BAH csomópont
- Walk 200 meters to the Green Garden Hostel at Budapest, Villányi út 93.



Taxi costs are not reimbursable!! (Airport - Hostel way costs 8.000 HUF, app 27 €)

#### **Hungarian Mobile Phones:**

There are three mobile operators in Hungary: Vodafone, T-mobile and Telenor. In case you need a **Sim card**, please inform the organizers and we'll help you get one!

#### Things to bring and do

#### Mandatory!

- Make sure you have an insurance (travel, health, accident, liability), to inform you this costs cannot be reimbursed, its fully on participants
- Bring Healty food and drinks from your country/region for the intercultural evening (We kindly ask all participants to bring some national drinks, snacks and music from their home countries, as a contribution to the intercultural evening, please bring already prepared snacks/food, you will have possibility to cook.\
- Bring sweets from your countries as we are going to have intercultural coffee breaks
- Your Country Flag
- Medicine, if you have allergies/or you periodically need medicine, please bring what you may need!
- Within 30 days after the end of the course participants must implement a dissemination activity in their country and send to <a href="mailto:projects.youth@yahoo.com">projects.youth@yahoo.com</a> a small written report with pictures and explanation.

#### Recommended!

- Music, games, photo camera, cash and good mood:)

#### **Organizers:**

Európai Hallgatók Hálózatának Egyesülete (AEGEE-Budapest) will be in charge for organization, administration and logistics of the training course in Budapest.

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#### To apply

To apply please fill in the following form: https://goo.gl/forms/7K653D3BMxbBKkvo2