

Training Course

“Volunteering Really Counts”

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Ureki / Georgia



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PROJECT SUMMARY

Network of Youth-Educational organisation "Schoolclash" (The Netherlands/Germany), "Youth For the World"-YFW (Georgia) & "Inovatyvi Karta"(Lithuania) together with partners initiated a Training Course "Volunteering Really Counts".

Non-governmental organisations (hereinafter- NGOs) are very often based on the voluntary engagement of young people willing to dedicate their time for different reasons. If well managed, voluntary work is a win-win situation for all parties involved -volunteers, organisation & local community:

- 1) Volunteer earns specific hard & soft skills and get more chances to find a job in the future;
- 2) Organisation as it gains support, new ideas & extra accomplishments, unmanageable without the commitment of volunteers, &...
- 3) local community improves & becomes better place as volunteers by their example show how to make a difference.

Also, crucial to mention newly approved "European Solidarity Corps" programme, which is still quite unclear for many organisations. We believe that it creates opportunities for young people to volunteer or work and also local communities and other people benefit from it as well. However, for volunteering to be a success story, motivation, enthusiasm and creativity of volunteers need to be framed. As well as volunteers need to be supported in order to reach their objectives. It is a difficult art for project coordinators to mentor/coach local volunteers to initiate activities independently and successfully

The idea of the project is created to link the aims to each other, not only to find ways to go forward, but also to improve & empower one another. Knowledge of E + will encourage more active Volunteering/participation, which on the other hand will give way for more educational events to be done, eventually creating a direct relation between all the actors.



PARTICIPANT'S PROFILE

Expected Participants:

- *Youth-workers who wants to share experience or gain knowledge about modern tools for working with volunteering;
- *Young leaders who want to learn more about volunteering;
- *Volunteers & young people - with aim to develop new skills concretely in the sphere of Volunteering.

AGE limit for participants: +18



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CONDITIONS

TC will be implemented in the frame of the ERASMUS+ Programme. Accommodation, living, working materials & other project (TC) related expenses will be funded 100% by the European Commission.

NOTICE!!! Health & travel insurance need to be covered by the participants

Partner Countries	Partner Organisation	Number of Participants
The Netherlands (Applicant)	"Schoolclash"	5 Participant
Georgia (Hosting)	"Youth for the World" - YFW	5 Participant
Germany	"Schoolclash E.V"	4 Participant
Lithuania	Vsl "Inovatyvi karta"	4 Participant
Slovenia	"Zavod Voluntariat"	3 Participant
Moldova	"MilleniuM"	3 Participant
Ukraine	"UNIT"	3 Participant



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INNOVATIVE GENERATION



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The Main Objectives

- To understand how European Solidarity Corps functions & be able to adapt it in practice;
- To conceptualise with the project partners, approach to volunteering in their work context;
- To foster organisational & individual competences in planning, implementing, mentoring & evaluating local & international volunteering projects;
- To develop organisational strategies for inclusion of young people in volunteering projects, specifically those with fewer opportunities, marginalized youth & IDP's / refugees;
- To develop organisational check lists & procedures for the most essential steps in volunteering Projects;

PREPARATION BY PARTICIPANTS

* All participants should be ready to present their organizations during the NGO Fair.

IMPORTANT! We encourage not to use video/photo & PowerPoint presentation

* All participants should be ready to present their countries during the intercultural evenings. Feel free to bring traditional music, dances, food & drink.

* All participants have to be ready to be fully presented during the TC

* We kindly ask our partners organizations & to support and prepare participants according the needs of the TC

* All the participants should be Prepared for open space activity- individually or in national groups (decide on your own). If you have doubts regarding the topic, talk to us!

SHORT AGENDA

TIMING

DAY 1: Arrival to Georgia, traveling to project venue

DAY: 2-9

Structure:

10:00 1st session

12:00 2nd session

15:30 3rd session

17:30 4th session

18:45 Reality Check

Evening program will be organised all together

DAY 10: Departure from Venue

ACTIVITIES & TOOLS

*Who we are

*Team building

*Volunteering: Type & Forms

*A Concept for Participation & Inclusion

*Forum Theater

*Real Volunteering in Local NGO/Social Enterprise

*Sharing Best practice

*Guest speakers

*Youth Volunteering-analysis of needs

*Open Space

*Project Development.

NOTICE! Programme is a guidance & is subject to changes. Detail Agenda will be sent after the final selection of participants

APPLY HERE:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeoYbpKC38v52L7HVdIUExnxjWpESyDrLhNRSVFZPGKjxm9Vg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1>

TRANSPORT DETAILS

Participants have several possibilities to arrive in Georgia (Kutaisi, Batumi & Tbilisi Airports). Most cheap & recommended arrival flight points are Kutaisi(WizzAir & RyanAir), Tbilisi(RyanAir) international airports. Cheap Flights are also operated by SkyUp(Tbilisi, Batumi), Ukraine international(Tbilisi, Kutaisi), Belavia (Batumi, Tbilisi), Pegasus(Tbilisi), Aegean Airlines(Tbilisi), from/via Istanbul, Kiev, Minsk, Athens.

! Please note that if some participants will arrive earlier(max 4 days in total is allowed) of stay longer for Discovery reasons, organizers will not provide them with transportation to/ from the airport.

LOCAL TRANSFER

All participants will be picked up from the meeting points(on arrival day) depending their arrival date/time & will be brought to project Venue. Transfer schedule will be sent, as soon as we will have all tickets.

! Please note that travel between arrival places & project venue & back will be organised by hosts & then the costs for this trip have to be covered by the participants with the actual travel costs budget (Under the table budget limit).

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD

Activity will be held in Ureki, seaside of Georgia. Unlike many areas on the Black Sea, in Ureki beaches are sandy, rather than covered in pebbles. The sand in Ureki is classified as black sand and has magnetic properties, which some believe treat a number of health problems, including cardiovascular diseases. Participants will be hosted by the Hostel “SunSea” - <http://1hotelsunsea.wixsite.com/urekihotel> Rooms will be shared by 4-5 participants with same Gender and different nationalities. (PLEASE BRING YOUR TOWELS WITH YOU) organizers will provide participants with three times meal per day & two Coffee breaks, Picnics and food packages during the outgoing activities...

We strongly recommend to participants to inform the organizers about any special needs in advance, such as special diet or other(i.e. vegetarians, vegan, gluten etc.)

WEATHER

In February in Georgia usually is cold and rainy weather. Normally temperature is around 3/9° C, but nights can be even colder, or snowy, so be prepared ;) We strongly recommend checking the forecast before coming or to write the coordinators to consult.

Travel & Reimbursement

Participants are requested to have all tickets for round trip!

We will need few important documents for your travel reimbursement:

1. Boarding pass (Plane)
2. Invoice/E-ticket (Plane, bus, train)
3. Any other kind of tickets, bills & payment proof, which you will receive during the travel.
4. Payment proof(from card history) for every ticket purchased online.

a) If you pay by CASH:

We will need ORIGINAL INVOICE from company with STAMP & SIGNATURE.

b) If you pay by CARD:

We will need PRINT FROM CARD HISTORY (From i-Banking).

Travel reimbursement for ALL COUNTRIES will be done by BANK transfer approximately in 2-3 month after the activity, based on presenting full travel documents from every participant.

Travel (flights, other means of transport) expenses are compensated (up to 100%), based on the distance from location of organisation to the location of the project. Distances must be calculated using the distance calculator supported by the EC.

TRAVEL BUDGET LIMIT	
275€	Per Participant from MOLDOVA, UKRAINE & LITHUANIA
360€	Per Participant from GERMANY, SLOVENIA & THE NETHERLANDS



IMPORTANT ARRANGEMENTS

Participants with passport of EU states, Moldova & Ukraine do not need VISA to enter the territory of Georgia. You will need to have only a Valid for next 6 month & not Damaged international Passport.

NO PARTICIPATION FEE!

IMPORTANT: check the validity of your passports before the departure.

IMPORTANT DATES

Selection of Participants: **Till 25-th of December 2019**

Sending travel options & purchasing the tickets for/by participants: **from 26 to 31 December 2019**

NOTICE!!! Tickets purchased without our conformation will not be accepted, organisers should see & confirm the travel details before participants buy tickets!!!



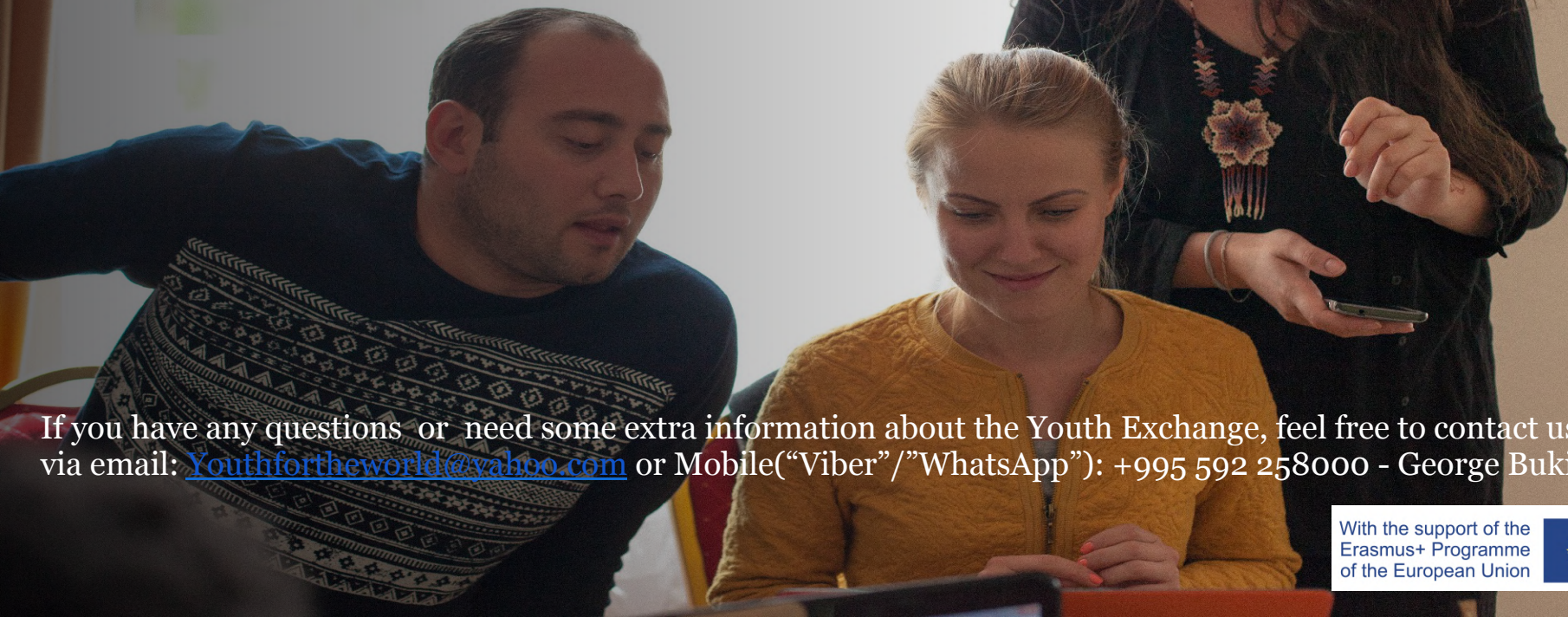
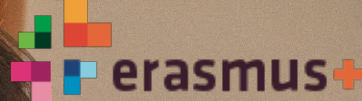
"SchoolClash" ON FB !

<https://www.facebook.com/schoolclash/>



"Youth For the World" -YFW ON FB !

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