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A European Dream

1. ABOUT THE PROJECT

"A European dream" is an international youth exchange project taking place in Slovenia between the dates of **6th May – 14th May 2017**. It will bring together youth from Northern Ireland, The Netherlands, Poland, Turkey and Slovenia.

We wish to trace the beginning and the development of the idea of Europe and European values through history and current geopolitical events. This is knowledge that a citizen of EU should necessarily be equipped with, but for some reason we do not get this knowledge in institutions and we also don't talk about European politics and history among young people because it's just not 'cool'.

The project is very relevant in the context of the current geopolitical situation in Europe where integration of nations, as well as the new refugees, seems almost impossible. In response to Brexit, president of the European Parliament recently stated in a public article that 'EU is in a existential crisis'. We'd like to address this deep crisis of identity and try to understand it through understanding our common history and current situation via storytelling methods. Through debating techniques we will shape, develop and confront our opinions about Europe. In the end we will seek common solutions through cultural activism methods such as Theatre of the Oppressed and also stage a theatrical performance in the streets to include the local population into the discourse about EU and its 'crisis'.

Through the project we would like to address a question: is European integration even possible in this moment and how? How to integrate different nations, and do they even want that (UK for example)? How do we also integrate tens of thousands of new citizens of EU that came here because of the conflict and war in their own countries? We would like to address a human need for common identity and make sense of this identity in the context of European Union. Our goal is to equip participants with tools to be able to find their own answers to questions about EU and be able to think about it critically as well.

25 young people from five very geopolitically diverse countries and cultures will come together for 9 days in the youth exchange. Our aim is to start a process of critical thinking about national and international values and identities. We want to contribute to the active participation of youth in the discourse about Europe, European Union and 'European crisis' and equip them with knowledge to be able to successfully participate in debates about these topics. We will encourage young people to organise micro-events in their local environments to develop active participation among their peers as well, because we want our participants to think about what kind of change they wish to see in Europe even after they leave the exchange.



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2. WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

The participants may be of any nationality, but must be residents of one of the following countries: UK, Netherlands, Slovenia, Turkey and Poland. Number of participants: 5 (4 participants + group leader) from each organisation. 25 in total + organisers. ***Lycian Pathfinders is looking for 2 or 3 participants from this Call.***

The participants will be selected by each organisation. ***Underprivileged will have priority, and the age of the participants is set between 18 and 28.***

3. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

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| <i>Arrival day</i> | |
| whole day | Arrival and dinner |
| <i>1st day</i> | |
| morning | Getting to know each other |
| afternoon | Presentation of the program & youth exchange |
| evening | Social programme |
| <i>2nd day</i> | |
| morning | Introduction to storytelling |
| afternoon | The myth of Europa |
| evening | Multicultural evening |
| <i>3rd day</i> | |
| morning | Storytelling about the history of Europe |
| afternoon | Storytelling - European Union |
| evening | Multicultural evening |
| <i>4th day</i> | |
| morning | Finding common ground and a mutual future |
| afternoon | Introduction to debating |
| evening | Cultural evening - Theatre |
| <i>5th day</i> | |
| morning | Debating about integration |
| afternoon | Introduction to Theatre of the Oppressed |
| evening | Free evening |
| <i>6th day</i> | |
| morning | Workshops of Theatre of the Oppressed |
| afternoon | Workshops of Theatre of the Oppressed |
| evening | Rehearsal |
| <i>7th day</i> | |
| morning | Trip to a larger town, lunch in a social enterprise |
| afternoon | Trip - Theatre of the Oppressed show |
| evening | Music of Europe and beyond Europe |



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Erasmus+

| 8 th day | |
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| morning | Planning future events, how to be the change you want to see? |
| afternoon | Presentation of Erasmus+ |
| evening | Bonfire evening |
| 9 th day | |
| morning | Final evaluation |
| afternoon | Departure |

4. TRAVEL INFORMATION

The youth exchange will take place in Slovenia in a small village in Koper. Transport will be arranged from the capital, Ljubljana.

5. TRAVEL COSTS REIMBURSEMENT

We will reimburse you up to **170 EUR of travel costs**. Please keep in mind that the transport between the exact location and Ljubljana will cost around 10-20 EUR both ways, so the ideal ticket price for a flight to Ljubljana is around **150 EUR**.

In accordance with EU funding rules you must travel by the most economical means, e.g., economy tickets and public transport. The sum exceeding these amounts will not be reimbursed.

For you to claim travel reimbursement it is absolutely vital you **keep all invoices, receipts and boarding passes**, so as to prove you made the journey to and from your country. You can claim travel expenses from the moment you leave home until you return home, as long as costs are genuine.

In the event you lose any of your tickets, invoices, receipts, etc. it will not be possible for you to receive travel reimbursements. **So please take great care of your receipts and invoices.**

Do not forget to arrange travel insurance! An E111/European Health Card will only provide very basic cover so please check your cover in advance. You cannot claim travel insurance as part of your travel reimbursement.

Reimbursement will be provided in accordance with the agreement between project partners. We usually reimburse expenses during the exchange.

Lycian Pathfinders asks for 40 Turkish Lira from each participant as a Contribution for Preparation Expenses.

6. CONFIRMATION & PREPARATION

Please confirm your participation and travel arrangements with your country's partner organization. Your place will only be confirmed with us once you have finalized your travel arrangements. Once we have received your confirmation and information about your travel arrangements, we will consider you officially enrolled!