

INFOPACK YOUTH EXCHANGE



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Culture Brings Us Together***

Belen/Hatay/TURKEY

13-21 November 2017



ABOUT THE PROJECT

Number of participants: 7+1 group leader (gender balance is preferable)

Age of the participants: 18-30 years old (no age limit for the group leader)

Host Organization : Belen Kaymakamlığı -Turkey

Partner Organizations: - Ask Yourself - Romania
- Passepartout.Up - Italy



"Culture Brings Us Together" project is a youth exchange that was born as a result of awareness of the partners of the need for young people to understand the culture and traditions of their countries and other countries and to express themselves freely. The answer to this need involves on the one hand awareness of the cultural dimension and secondly the acquisition of skills in some of the oldest and most beautiful forms of human expression: storytelling, music and dance.



- The project will run from November 2017, will have a total of 24 participants (three group leaders) bringing together three cultures represented by: Ask Yourself organization in Romania, Passepartout.UP in Italy and Belen Kaymakamlığı in Turkey.
- Participants will gain knowledge about the culture and traditions of Italy, Romania and Turkey, learn about dance and music, 3 cultures writers, discrimination and its negative effects.
- Participants will develop the following skills: dancing, working in teams, storytelling and speaking freely with people from different countries.
- The project is full with non formal methods (Energizers, name games, teambuilding, role play) meant to create a team atmosphere in which learning can take place easily.
- The activities will impact participants, developing their socio-cultural competence, self-confidence, teamwork ability, skills in terms of dance, music, storytelling and how these can be used as tools in their own development process.



- The project will culminate with the final representation (music, dance event) in Belen that will give participants some unforgettable memories, while in meantime the skills acquired will open the way to new passions.



ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

- You are expected to arrive on **13 November 2017** until around 15:00 and then with Havaş shuttle bus to city center of Iskenderun. When you arrive to Iskenderun, a Turkish guy participant will wait in front of Ontur Hotel for you and together you will take to hotel. All these details will be established together with your group leaders.
- The project starts on 13 November with getting to know each other session, followed by dinner. Activities will finish in the morning of **22 November 2017**.
- During the project we will not have more than 1 free afternoon. In case you want to visit Adana, Hatay or İstanbul, you can stay longer in Turkey. You can arrive 2-3 days before/after the project, but you have to find and pay your own accommodation for the extra days.

VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION

- The training course takes place in Iskenderun, a big county in Hatay province.
- You will be accommodated in double or triple rooms with shower and toilet. Bed linen will be provided as well as towels. We won't put people from same nationality in rooms in order to give you the chance to learn about new cultures.
- We will have 3 meals per day and we will also provide vegetarian food.



TRAVEL DETAILS

You can come by plane from Istanbul to Hatay. There are two options:

1-)You can come Adana Şakirpaşa Airport . It will take two hours from Adana bus station to Iskenderun. Adana Airport and Adana bus station is very close to each other via taxi about 15 minutes and 5 Euros.

2-)You can come to Hatay Airport from Istanbul. After that you should find Havaş shuttle bus to come Iskenderun.

Some Bus Companies:

<http://www.hasturizm.com.tr/>

<https://www.kamilkoc.com.tr/>

We have 2 airports in İstanbul – Sabiha Gökçen Airport, Atatürk Airport

<https://www.anadolujet.com/tr> From Sabiha Gokcen Airport

<https://p.turkishairlines.com/> From Ataturk Airport

<https://www.flypgs.com/> From Sabiha Gokcen Airport



WHAT TO BRING

We kindly ask you to bring:

- An object that represents your culture – in your personal opinion
- Map, posters, photos, postcards about your country/region/town to be displayed during the International Evening.
- Some gastronomic specialties (food and/or drinks) for the International Evening.

Please note that it is not be possible to cook or heat food at the hotel.

- Warm clothes, resistant normal and sport shoes for training, jacket.
- Comfortable clothes for the sessions.
- A nice outfit for the intercultural night.

The temperature will be around 15-20 degrees Celsius. It is possible to have rain during those days. It can be change during day, usually it should be nice.

FOLLOW UP

At the end of the training, you will be asked to organize at least one activity in your local communities based on the knowledge learned during the project, that can be to organize **workshops, seminar** or anything connected with the topics of the training that allows you **to put in practice** what you learnt.

By this, we will have the opportunity to see tangible results out of the project in a form of a activity from each of you.



REIMBURSEMENT OF TICKETS

Youth Exchange is financed by Erasmus+ Programme, so grant covers 100 % of activity cost (venue, food, and programme) and 100% of travel costs (up to each country travel cost limit). Reimbursement of 100% of travel costs will be done on a basis of original tickets, invoices and boarding passes after the training course.

Before buying tickets please send request to your sending organization to receive a confirmation.

- Romania: 270 Euro/per participant
- Italy: 270 Euro/per participant

in case your ticket is more expensive, you will have to cover the extra costs.

Participants have to buy the tickets themselves and bring/send us all original documents. Belen Kaymakamlığı will transfer the money for the partner organization and the partner organization will reimburse you the money through bank transfer. This can last 1,2 months after the activity is finished.

Make sure to bring with you the following documents for the reimbursement:

- plane, bus, train ticket that has your name on it
- proof of payment: bank statement if you paid by bank or receipt if you paid by cash
- boarding pass- for plane



YOUTHPASS

- Within the frame of ‘recognition of non-formal learning’, participants will receive a “Youthpass” Certificate after the course upon their request. Youthpass is an official recognized tool in order to validate non-formal learning aspects gained during the training. It is important that, before coming to the training course, participants reflect upon what competences they aim to develop by taking the initiative to participate to our training course.
- For further information, just follow the link: <http://www.youthpass.eu>

HEALTH INSURANCE

During your stay in Turkey, you will not be accident-insured, health-insured and personal liability-insured by us, so it is highly recommend provide such a private insurance in your own country and make sure you will bring it with you. Or you have the possibility, for the health insurance, to ask for the European Health Card which is free of charge and can be procured from your countries (available only for EU member states citizens)



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We are looking forward to meet with you ;)

