

INFOPACK

ARTS of CITIZENSHIP

at Valea Dofanei, ROMANIA
17th to 25th of June 2016



Dear partners,

Thank-you once again for your participation in this project and before starting the preparation stage, please keep in mind the following:

- Start the selection of participants regarding the participant's profile of this project.
- We kindly ask each partner to send the **LIST of PARTICIPANTS** to my e-mail (iorga_alexandru@yahoo.com) not later than **6th of June 2016**. Please include in your team at least **one person with fewer opportunities** (education, geographical or social).
- **Add/ask participants to join our FB group** to have a better communication and to start to know each other before we will meet at the project: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/796534667149921/>
- Please **promote the project** on social networks, your website or any other online support and send us the link, print-screen or scan of that information.

Dear participants,

We are glad to welcome all of you soon to our country for the **youth mobility - youth exchange** that will be held in **Valea Doftanei**, Romania. This is one of the many youth projects that we are organizing and we are trying to do all our best to have a wonderful stay and special activities for all of you.

Please **READ THIS INFOPACK** because here you can find important things about activities, reimbursement and you should prepare in advance.

Each country will be represented by a team of **4 youngsters** with **age between 18 – 25 years old** and **one leader** with no limit age.

Short description and aims of the project

The project is a result of a follow-up process of other project in which participants from the countries involved find a commune needs in the local community: lack of youth participation, tools to motivate peoples to get involved and art expression of youngsters. The project is designed to explore the concept of citizenship in general and European citizenship in particular using art as a tool for fostering youth participation. The youth exchange is fulfilling needs for gaining knowledge in citizenship education and gain practical tools how to be active citizens and promote active citizenship in local, national and European level using non formal education approach.

Participants from youth organization will have the opportunity to have better understanding about different types of citizenship and their important role as young generation in building Europe.

The main objective of the project is to raise the desire of becoming active citizens among young Europeans, informing them about the meaning and concrete practice of volunteering, based on the direct experience of civic and voluntary organizations. The project will also allow involved organizations to develop a better understanding of their own action in a European framework and participants to experiment a new form of informal learning.

Methodology

The methodology will include communication-based methods (interaction, dialogue, open discussions), activity based methods (sharing experience, practice and experimentation), socially focused methods (partnerships, teamwork, networking) and self-directing methods (creativity, discovery, responsibility, action).

Facilitating team

- ✓ Andreea Ciurea (Romania) - project coordinator
- ✓ Alexandru Iorga (Romania) - legal representative

What should you know about the location

- ✓ Valea Doftanei is a beautiful village located near the Carpathians Mountains. From Bucharest to Valea Doftanei the travel is about 2 hours.
- ✓ Be prepared to be accommodated 2 or 3 persons in one room. Each room has toilet and shower. No needs to bring towels or sleeping bags.
- ✓ We will rent a big house just for us. We have a yard, the forest near and very beautiful landscape near the mountains!!!
- ✓ There is wireless network in the house.

How to get there and when

- ✓ All participants are requested **to arrive on 17th of June** in the afternoon or evening **and to leave on 25th of June** in the morning.
- ✓ Please let us know **your travel details** so we can arrange the transport from airport to the project's venue.

What should you prepare in advance

- ✓ Please bring some materials (books, photos, films) regarding the theme of the project.
- ✓ Please bring some typical food, drink, national specialties, songs, brochures etc. to present your culture for the rest of the group during the international evening.
- ✓ Please join the FB group of the project to have a better communication.
- ✓ Good mood, positive attitude and enthusiasm.
- ✓ Each country will prepare and present 2 activities from the program: the intercultural evening and
 - European Identity - Romania, day 2
 - European Citizenship and EU citizenship - Italy, day 2
 - Political and economical dimension of citizenship - Turkey, day 3
 - Social and cultural dimension of citizenship - Slovakia, day 3
 - Youth participation - Spain, day 3

If you have questions regarding this please ask us and we will help you. You have to use non-formal education methods.

What should you know about the cost

- ✓ We will reimburse **100% of participant's travel** costs from your hometown to the project venue **within the valid budget sums**. (The sums for travel costs are calculated according the official rules for Erasmus+ programme, where considering the distance)

Italy - 170 € per participant
Slovakia - 120 € per participant
Turkey - 170 € per participant
Spain - 270 € per participant

- ✓ The reimbursement will be done **ONLY by bank transfer to your sending organization for entire group in one payment**. After we made the bank transfer, each sending organization will give you the money related to your personal costs but not more than the limits mentioned above.
- ✓ Accommodation, food and program activities will be covered by the program.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTE:

- Please keep all the boarding passes of your travel, original tickets and all other invoices. We can not reimburse first class tickets or taxi!!!
- For the reimbursement we need your ticket(s), the proof of payment (for cash the bill with invoice and bank extras from your account if you paid by credit card), boarding pass if you come by plane
- For the travel ticket, we need that price of the ticket to appear on the ticket
- For all prices that are not in euros we will use the INFOEURO website to convert them in euro.

Prices in Romania

- ✓ **1 euro = 4.4 RON** (Romanian money). You could bring Euro with you and can exchange money in exchange offices and banks.

What to do in case of emergency

- ✓ Your **contact person** is Alexandru IORGA. You can contact him at jorga_alexandru@yahoo.com or in case of emergency you can call/text on the following mobile: +40722809458

Each participant will receive at the end of the project the Youthpass Certificate.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact us. We are looking forward to meeting you in Valea Doftanei.

The project team,
Andreea and Alexandru