





International Youth Exchange

# YOUTH FOR HERITAGE

"The invention of nation – the invention of Europe?"

**WEIMAR, GERMANY** 

7<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2015







Nationale Agentur Erasmus+

This project has been funded with support of the European Commission.

# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The project is based on the results of the implemented Youth Exchange "Youth for Heritage" which took place in August 2014 in Weimar. The main part of the project was the work on the theme "national memories in the context of European identity". Using the central statement "It does not matter whether a society is aware of its history, but how it done" we discussed questions as "How do we remember?", "What do societies remember?", "Who defines or determines what to remember?", "To whom this memory is addressed?", "And for what purpose we do remember?", "How is memory staged? What is the role of literature and public spaces?", "In other words, how is the past represented in the socio-political context?"

Within the follow-up project as part of the project line "Youth for Heritage" titled "Die Erfindung der Nation – die Erfindung Europas? // The invention of nation – the invention of Europe?" we will focus on the role of culture and remembrance within the process of construction nations and the question about the construction and need of a cultural identity (group building processes, identity formation, images of threat, heroes, martyrs and victims). What does this in consequence mean for the "European project", the concept of "European citizenship", "European identity" or even a so-called "European Nation"?

The translation of discussed themes takes place in various creative workshops. The aim is that insights and ideas, which grew out of joint work will be expressed using artistic means such as theatre/performance, comic strip, graphic/design as well as photo/video. Joint leisure activities and excursions support the intercultural exchange of the participants.

The project will take place 7.-14.08.2015 in Weimar, Germany under the roof of the European Youth Education and Meeting Centre (EJBW), co-initiated by "Weimar-Jena-Akademie" and "Klassik Stiftung Weimar" in cooperation with project partners from EU28, SEE and EECA.

#### **METHODS**

The activities are based on the principles and practices of non-formal learning. The group will be also viewed und used as a resource for collaborative and individual learning. The main topics of the youth exchange will be mediated through formal and non-formal education in workshops, exercises, simulations, role plays, discussions, presentations, plenary sessions, etc. The workshops will be supplemented through the visits to the city space of Weimar as well as museums with the focus on the methods for (disadvantaged) youth.

To ensure the pedagogical quality of the youth exchange, the following measures will be taken:

- Supervision of the participant by experienced group leaders
- Daily evaluation rounds including all participants carried out in small groups
- Daily team meetings (in the morning and in the afternoon) of the team and the group leaders with the aim to evaluate the day and prepare for the next session;
- Comprehensive final evaluation on the part of the participants in small groups, plenary sessions also in written form
- Joint evaluation of the project results by the team and the group leaders

The youth will be involved in the implementation of the project as much as it will be possible. The team will consist of the following parts:

- Leading person from the EJBW, Klassik Stiftung and Weimar-Jena-Akademie
- Group leaders of the international group involved in the preparation and the realization of the Youth Exchange (two per country)
- External workshop leaders

Most of the activities will be designed for mixed groups and be used as an opportunity to break down and reduce possible biases and prejudices. It is necessary that all the needs and abilities of the participants are taken into account.

#### **PARTNERS INVOLVED**

Albania	Albanian Society in Development					
Albania	National Historical Museum Tirana					
Germany	Stiftung Europäische Jugendbildungs- und Jugendbegegnungsstätte Weimar (EJBW)					
Germany	Klassik-Stiftung Weimar					
Germany	Weimar-Jena Akademie					
Greece	Educational Innovation					
Greece	Directorate of Secondary Education of Pella					
Macedonia	Municipality of Stip					
Macedonia	Local Community Development Foundation					
Russia	Tula State Lev Tolstoy Pedagogical University					
Russia	Leo Tolstoy Museum-Estate Yasnaya Polyana					
Ukraine	NGO "Youth of Yuvileine"					
Ukraine	Yuvileina Secondary School No. 1					

#### **KEY INFORMATION**

# Participants in the Youth Exchange

One representative from each partner organization (group leader) & 3 participants from each group (6 youngsters and 2 leaders, in total 8 persons per country) aged between 15 and 25. A participation fee of EUR 45 per person is charged for participation in the Youth Exchange. The amount is paid in cash on the spot (arrival day, registration and check in).

#### **TRAVEL COSTS**

According to the new rules within the Programme "Erasmus+ Youth in Action" we will reimburse the travel costs on the basis of **the cheapest possibilities**, e.g. second class railway tickets, APEX-flights etc., accompanied by **the receipt of complete and original tickets**, **invoices**, **bills**, **receipts**, **boarding cards** etc. upon a certain "**contribution to the travel costs** of participants, from their place of origin to the venue of the activity and return". This contribution is "based on the travel distance per participant. Travel distances must be calculated using the distance calculator supported by the European Commission". Here you find the maximum contribution to travel costs for ONE participant per country from home town to Weimar and back:

Country	Partner Organisation	Max. contribution per person		
Albania	Albanian Society in Development	170 EUR		
Albania	National Historical Museum Tirana	170 EUR		
Germany	Stiftung Europäische Jugendbildungs- und Jugendbegegnungsstätte Weimar (EJBW)	-		
Germany	Klassik-Stiftung Weimar	-		
Germany	Weimar-Jena Akademie	-		
Greece	Educational Innovation	170 EUR		
Greece	Directorate of Secondary Education of Pella	170 EUR		
Macedonia	Municipality of Stip	170 EUR		
Macedonia	Local Community Development Foundation	170 EUR		
Russia	Tula State Lev Tolstoy Pedagogical University	170 EUR		
Russia	Leo Tolstoy Museum-Estate Yasnaya Polyana	170 EUR		
Ukraine	NGO "Youth of Yuvileine"	170 EUR		
Ukraine	Yuvileina Secondary School No. 1	170 EUR		

#### **CHECK LIST FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT**

- 1. Regular air tickets must be accompanied
  - ✓ by the **original invoice** (signed and stamped)/receipt/pay order/proof of payment
  - ✓ the **boarding pass**(the small ticket stub you receive before boarding the plane)
  - ✓ and the prices stated in the invoices, receipts etc. must coincide with the price on the ticket.
- 2. **E-Tickets** must be
  - ✓ printed out and include your name, the exact fare you paid, details of your flight on the same page
  - ✓ be provided along with the credit card receipt for the payment or a copy of your bank statement (clearly showing the payment has been made)
  - ✓ given in with the **boarding pass**(the small ticket stub you receive before boarding the plane)

**NOTE:** Some airlines print "passenger receipt" at the top of the cardboard ticket. It is not accepted as a receipt of proof of payment. Therefore, if you book your tickets online, please, make sure to print out the e-mail you receive from the airline company upon the payment, stating how much and how you paid.

#### 3. Train/Bus tickets

It is important that that arrival and departure time as well as the price are visible (+invoices if available).

# Other important details:

- ✓ Missing or lost tickets are not reimbursed.
- ✓ Booking paper alone is not enough
- ✓ Any costs for taxi are not reimbursed
- ✓ Return tickets must be bought in advance before the journey

Following the guidelines of the program and internal regulations the travel must be released by the participants on the direct way within maximum 2 days. In case of long pauses or indirect routes (holiday travel), there is no reimbursement of travel costs!

Reimbursement is done in Euro.

After the YE, please send us back all your complete travel documents in ORIGINAL by post mail as well as your bank account details (name of account holder, name of the bank, IBAN code, BIC/SWIFT code) to:

Europäische Jugendbildungs- und Jugendbegegnungsstätte WEIMAR (EJBW) Markus Rebitschek Jenaer Str. 2/4 D-99425 Weimar Germany

#### TRAVELLING TO THE EJBW

The best option to come to Weimar by plane is to use the airports Berlin or Frankfurt. From Frankfurt and Berlin regular trains are going. Please check out the webpage of the German Railways (DB): <a href="http://www.bahn.de/i/view/GBR/en/index.shtml">http://www.bahn.de/i/view/GBR/en/index.shtml</a>

Much cheaper and comfortable are meanwhile new bus connections to Weimar from all major German cities. They offer special prices ranging from 9 EUR up to 30 EUR for the trip to Weimar. Here you can find all information (portals comparing all lines and prices):

http://www.busliniensuche.de/

After arrival at the main train station: take bus no. 1 (direction: Ehringsdorf) from outside the railway station to the Goetheplatz – change to bus no. 2 (direction: Bodelschwinghstraße) or bus no. 9 (direction: Süßenborn) and disembark at the bus stop "Hellerweg / EJBW".

Further you can just take bus no. 1 (direction: Ehringsdorf) from outside the railway station to the bus stop "Friedensstraße / Atrium" and follow the main road (Jenaer Straße) uphill for approx. 500 m and enter the area of EJBW at your right.

Single fare - 1,90 Euro Single fare (4-ticket-set) - 6,30 Euro

**Arrival by car:** From the A4 motorway take the exit to "Apolda". Follow the B87 in the direction of Apolda until you reach the main traffic lights at Umpferstedt. Turn left towards Weimar on the B7 and follow the road into Weimar until you reach us on the Jenaer Straße.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

We'll stay in the facilities of the Foundation "European Youth Education and Meeting Centre in Weimar (EJBW)".

#### The facilities include:

- 134 beds in single, two and three bed rooms with shower and toilet
- 15 modern, fully-equipped seminar rooms (ranging from a conservatory for 4 people to a cultural room for 80 people)
- a computer room
- two internet terminals
- an elegant fireside room
- · sports facilities and playground
- W-LAN on the whole area









# PROGRAM OF THE YOUTH EXCHANGE (Please, note, there may be slight modifications and changes in the existing program)

Time	Day I	Day II	Day III	Day IV	Day V	Day VI	Day VII	Day VIII
08:00-09:00	Arrival of	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST
09:00 -13:00	participants Check-in and registration	Opening and introduction - Getting to know each other activities	Opening and introduction	Opening and introduction	Opening and introduction	Opening and introduction	Opening and introduction	Opening and introduction
		Session: Identities, memories and commemoration	Session: Preparing "national" presentations in groups (each partner country)	Session: The invention of Europe: European Identity through national memories?	Work in progress (work in the workshop groups) Workshops 1-4  Workshop I: Theatre/Performance Workshop II: Comic strip Workshop III: Graphic Design Workshop IV: Video / Photography	Continuation Work in progress (work in the workshop groups) Workshops 1-4	Promotion of the final performance & Presentation of final results in front of the public of Weimar	Youth Pass & Final Evaluation of the YE
13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
14:30 – 18:00	Arrival of participants Check-in and registration	Traces of remembrance I: Exploration of the city Weimar (City Rally) and its city milieu & personalities	Workshop: Presenting the results of the common groupworks Questions & Discussion	Traces of Remembrance II: Excursions	Continuation Work in progress (work in the workshop groups) Workshops 1-4	Continuation Work in progress (work in the workshop groups)  Promotion of the final performance	Planning of future cooperation ("Zukunftswerkstatt")	Good Bye & Departure of participants
18:00	1	Daily Evaluation	Daily Evaluation	Daily Evaluation	Daily Evaluation	Daily Evaluation	Final Evaluation	1
19:00	Welcome Dinner	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	
20:00	Welcome Night	YouthPass Night	Night of European (Sub)Cultures	Cinema & Theatre Night	Free Evening	Free Evening	Good Bye Night	

#### **PROJECT PARTNERS**

# Albania





# Germany







### Greece



ΔΙΕΥΘΎΝΣΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΟΒΑΘΜΙΑΣ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΎΣΗΣ ΠΈΛΛΑΣ



# Macedonia





#### Russia







# Ukraine





International Youth Exchange

# YOUTH FOR HERITAGE

"The invention of nation – the invention of Europe?"

WEIMAR, GERMANY

7<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2015

Europäische Jugendbildungs- und Jugendbegegnungsstätte Weimar (EJBW) Markus Rebitschek Jenaer Str. 2/4 D-99425 Weimar, Germany