

COORDINATOR
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ERASCHOOL

EVS project
INFOPACK

8 months project

Starts 30/09/2018 until 30/05/2019

Thessaloniki-Greece

BUSINESS MENTALITY

Business Mentality is a nonprofit organization established in 2014 and its objective is to strengthen and promote entrepreneurship and a culture of the society and citizens, especially the youth.

The organization aims to contribute in creating a friendly business environment and strengthen the culture of the youth and communities in relation to entrepreneurship which will lead societies themselves to sustainable economic development.

The mission of BUSINESS MENTALITY is to help through its actions the systematic development of entrepreneurship within Greek borders and beyond. Its vision consists of full implementation of relevant models and business plans and the promotion of artistic, social, intellectual and creative activities. In order to serve the above purposes.

BUSINESS MENTALITY organizes various conferences, events, seminars, youth projects, trainings & workshops, presentations, exhibitions etc.,

Last but not least, we shall mention the two clubs we are running, the BM Women's Club that aims in mutual support and networking within women entrepreneurs and BM Youth Club that engages Young people into entrepreneurial learning and volunteering activities.

From January of 2018 BUSINESS MENTALITY is the hosting organization of European Direct Information Center of the European Commission.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The erasChOOL, will be a project of 8 months, involving 2 volunteers, visiting local schools and institutions, researching the level of information acquired from students/youth and educational staff regarding European programs, opportunities and voluntarism. It will be an informative campaign, presenting all the opportunities on local, European & inter cultural basis for young people to expand their knowledge and skills and join the community of non-formal learning. Such an idea, to be presented by EVS volunteers coming from abroad to live the same experiences they will be promoting, will be more productive and educative for both sides, the participants and audience of our project. The volunteers, based on their research, they will be writing articles and research papers, including their comments and suggestions, trying to be creative and efficient. They will have the opportunity to work and develop their own project in order to improve and give solutions to the problems they will have located during their research, expanding its outcomes and dissemination further in the future and in different regions. In addition, they will integrate in the local society, by taking part in actions of our organization and local community, meeting people and promoting social actions and initiatives.

PARTICIPANTS PROFILE

No former experience or skills are required, since purpose of the project is for the participants to learn and self-develop. They should show good will and devotion and we will be here to help them make the most out of this learning experience, for life!

The 2 EVS volunteers will prepare a presentation about EU programs, the Erasmus+ in general, volunteering activities and many more mobility opportunities that European Union has to offer, while local actions and initiatives as well.

During the project, the volunteers will receive constant guidance and support regarding their new responsibilities and life. They will have their mentor always by their side and all of us will try to give the most creative approach to their service, using non-formal learning and not just theoretical practices, emphasizing on the importance of their own ideas in an overall interactive environment. This way, they will enhance their personal development, working skills and will to be socially active.

Through this project, we wish to inform and sensitize the more people possible, to become active members of the society, take part in European programs, and make a difference at both local and European level, by discovering and developing new capacities and skills.

Our organization and volunteers will try to disseminate the outcomes of the project, through a series of activities, like seminars, workshops, informative events/campaigns, round table discussions, meetings, questionnaires, and more. In addition, a possible realization of the project created by the volunteers, would be very advantageous for the dissemination, impact and goal achievement of their work. After all, it is about a non-ending process, constantly promoting and enhancing its long term benefits, for a more connected and active "Europe" and conscious citizens.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Skills Development

- ✓ Empowering self-management and work-related skills (eg time management, planning, priorities, responsibility, ability to complete a project).
- ✓ Strengthen existing skills through practice and experience.
- ✓ Reflection of interpersonal skills through work and communication with others, such as argumentation, influence and negotiation.
- ✓ Experience in decision making and problem solving.
- ✓ Leadership development opportunities.
- ✓ Constant interest in acquiring new skills.
- ✓ Increased ability to learn from experience (lifelong learning skills).
- ✓ Strengthen communication skills, spoken and written, by writing reports, citations, abstracts, posters, articles, letters
- ✓ Cultivating team spirit and teamwork and synergy skills
- ✓ Encourage initiatives and free creativity

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Working Experience

- ✓ Participation in a variety of learning experiences and normal work environment.
- ✓ Practical knowledge of the way in which voluntary organizations and their various internal structures operate.
- ✓ Experience of working with a team and with third parties at varying levels.
- ✓ Knowledge of the conditions of work reality
- ✓ Opportunity to demonstrate their capabilities.
- ✓ Acquire specialization and experience (ie certified work history) to enrich their personal curriculum and improve their future professional choices.
- ✓ Opportunity to explore their interests and test different roles without irrevocable commitment.
- ✓ Extending their knowledge of professional choices.
- ✓ Opportunity to survive specific activities related to some employment of interest (exploration of career choices).
- ✓ Networking (Creating contacts and acquiring possible recommendations for exploring future professional opportunities).

TRAVELING & ACCOMMODATION



The traveling costs of the volunteers will be covered by the project with the limit amount of 275euro (both ways) for each participant. BUSINESS MENTALITY will buy the tickets form them in advance. If the ticket are more than 27euro the participants will cover the extra cost. From the airport to the house transfer will be provided by a member of BUSINESS MENTALITY team.



Accommodation will be in a shared house with other volunteers and/or Erasmus students in center of the town. BUSINESS MENTALTIY will provide a monthly card for the public transportation. There is a possibility that volunteers of same gender will share the same room. The house will be fully equipped, will have common rooms, kitchen and bathroom.

Volunteers will be responsible for the maintenance of the house, to keep it clean, follow the rules of the place and keep the quiet hours. BUSINESS MENTALITY will not be responsible for any damage caused in the house by the volunteers.

HEALTH INSURANCE



Sending organisation is responsible to register the volunteers to the CIGNA INSURANCE at least 15 days before departure.

Volunteers will also receive from the sending organisation information about the coverage and the procedure of CIGNA INSURANCE.

Volunteers are strongly advised to have the European Insurance card with them given by their national provider.

WORKING HOURS



Volunteers will work 7 hours per day in rolling hours from 10:00-16:00

POCKET MONEY AND ALLOWANCE



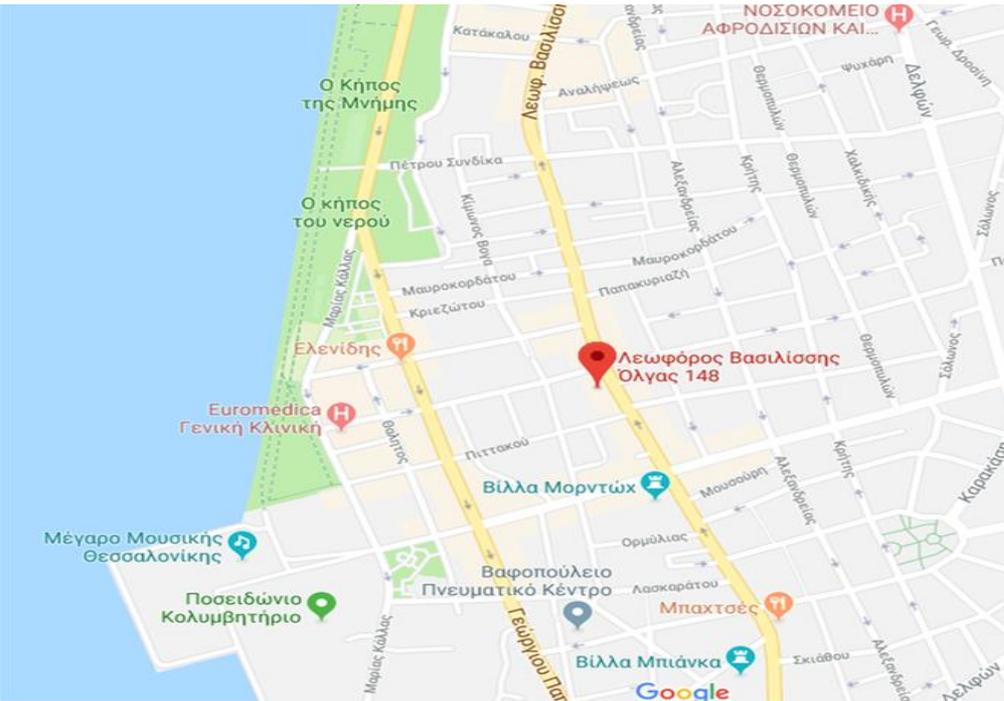
- ✓ 150 euros for pocket money. Money will be given to the volunteers at the beginning of every month. Volunteers will receive from the hosting organisation
- ✓ Food cost will be covered by BUSINESS MENTALITY through the project
- ✓ The budget for traveling from / to Thessaloniki is 275 euros. (for more details go to travel & accommodation page)

EXTRA INFORMATION



- ✓ Volunteers are kindly asked to bring their laptops.
- ✓ You will get a YOUTH CERTIFICATE
- ✓ A welcome party will wait for you on the first week of your arrival

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We are looking
forward to meeting
YOU!

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