

# **ECO- TOGETHER**

**YOUTH EXCHANGE IN CYPRUS**

**FROM 1. 9 . 2022 TO 7. 9. 2022**

# THE ORGANIZERS



YEU Cyprus stands for Youth for Exchange and Understanding Cyprus and it is a nonpolitical, non governmental organization (NGO) based in Nicosia, Cyprus. Since 1995, the aim of YEU is to foster closer co-operation and better understanding among youngsters through the exchange of experiences and ideas.

It is one of the biggest youth organizations in Cyprus numbering more than 1000 members and is considered one of the most active organizations of the island, realizing several activities both on an international and local level.

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# DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT



We have chosen a topic which has no borders, **environmental sustainability**, with a focus on the 4R's:

## **REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE AND RECOVER.**

Youth will work together to gain knowledge on the effects of leading a non-sustainable lifestyle. Participants will share how they deal with sustainability in their home countries through the added benefit of being part of an intercultural environment. Intercultural dialogue and communication will be approached through an environmental theme and the thematic area of multi-communal societies and division.

### **TOPICS:**

**Prevention of conflicts,  
post-conflict rehabilitation  
Environment and climate  
change  
European identity, citizenship  
and values**

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT**

- \*To spot the differences and the similarities between the cultures and enhance in this way the creation of a common European identity to consequently reduce their fears towards each other.
- \*Empower young people to become active change makers in a more environmentally friendly and sustainable Europe.
- \*Provide young people with the knowledge and information to understand the challenges of reaching a sustainable Europe.
- \*Raise the need of awareness, that only through transcultural cooperation we could provide a solution to the global crisis of climate change.
- \*To explore and develop NFE methods and techniques.



# WHAT WILL YOU LEARN



## You will learn

- about working with non-formal education,
- how to explore different ways of fighting contamination and climate change, due to excessive use of plastic,
- how to develop a sense of entrepreneurship and culture the ability to be innovative, by learning about eco-activism and green-entrepreneurship,
- how to improve their use of product consumption through learning about the 4 R's, hence becoming more conscious and ethical consumers,
- how to become aware of the history of specific countries, divided communities and visible and invisible borders,
- how to be aware of the effectiveness of intergroup contact to reduce fears and skepticism,
- how to decrease prejudices and manifested thoughts about other communities,
- how to become more active citizens in their societies on a long-term basis,
- how to become more empathetic and proactive through the exchange of ideas and practices with other participants by changing and reflecting on their point of view.



# TRAVEL INFORMATION

In Cyprus there are 2 airports:



Larnaca and Paphos International Airport.

Bus transportation will be arranged upon arrival to the venue where the learning event will take place.

## COUNTRIES

<b>Cyprus</b>	<b>Spain</b>
<b>Croatia</b>	<b>Ukraine</b>
<b>Serbia</b>	<b>Italy</b>
<b>Austria</b>	<b>Lithuania</b>

## PER COUNTRY

except Cyprus: 8 participants



# THE PROFILE OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Young people with the following characteristics:

- Aged 18-30 years old
- Good English skills
- Willing to gain new knowledge, skills and competences
- Committed to engage in the tasks and homework
- Motivated
- Desire to exchange ideas and viewpoints on the topic of nationalism and division of countries
- Desire to engage in intercultural learning and expand their knowledge and understanding of different cultures and European history

## PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

- FUNDACIO CATALUNYA VOLUNTARIA, Spain
- Centar za osobni i profesionalni razvoj Syncro - Synergy Croatia, Croatia
- UDRUZENJE GRADANA LIBERO, Serbia
- YOUTH INITIATIVE OF CITIES, Ukraine
- ASSOCIAZIONE INCO INTERCULTURALITA& COMUNICAZIONE, Italy
- InterAktion - Verein für ein interkulturelles Zusammenleben, Austria
- Asociacija "Aktyvus jaunimas", Lithuania



# TRAVEL COSTS

**Croatia - 275 eur**

**Italy - 360 eur**

**Lithuania - 360 eur**

**Serbia - 275 eur**

**Spain - 530 eur**

**Ukraine - 275 eur**

**Cyprus - 23 eur**



# INSURANCE

All participants should have a valid European health Card.

# ACCOMODATION



Camping site of Dymes.

The venue is equipped with shared dorms, a kitchen, a training room and a big yard. It is located very close to a pharmacy, a mini market and the Youth Center of Dymes where we will have lunch and dinner most of the days of the YE. Dymes provides a calm environment, making it easier for participants to relax, rediscover their values and self-reflect. It also provides a direct contact of our participants with nature.

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT CYPRUS



CURRENCY: EURO



RELIGIONS:

- GREEK-ORTHODOX
- MUSLIM
- ARMENIANS, MARONITES  
AND ROMAN CATHOLICS



LANGUAGES:

- GREEK
- TURKISH

## Weather

In Cyprus there are from 300 to 340 sunny days a year. In winter average temperature is 13-15 °C, and in summer it is 30-33 °C.

Cyprus climate is considered to be one of the healthiest in the world.

