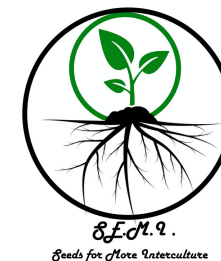




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Youth Exchange

WE ARE ALL EQUAL IN CREATIVITY

SE.M.I.

Seeds for More Interculture

Faenza - Italy

1-9 September 2017





WHAT?

'We are all Equal in Creativity' is a youth exchange that promotes European values, awareness of other cultures (European and non European), Human rights (in particular Freedom of expression), Self-empowerment of the participants and cooperation between organizations in the youth field. The aim is to empower young Europeans as actors of positive social change by enhancing their self-development through creativity.

The project, therefore, focuses on empowering young Europeans by bringing them together in a multicultural environment and involving them in activities that would enhance self-development: Storytelling, Creative writing, Theatre of the oppressed, Role play, Blogging.



WHY?

The objectives of the project are to encourage young Europeans to become more aware of other cultures (of the hosting country, of the other participants' and of the asylum seekers hosted in Faenza) and of the Human rights, especially Freedom of expression, in other cultures and countries.

The participants will be provided with the necessary knowledge and tools to apply Storytelling and Creative writing to the topics of migration and asylum seeking. Furthermore, they will be provided with the skills to setup and manage a cultural blog in order to organise their ideas and stories, publish and share them online.

This way, the participants will be encouraged and empowered to be actors of positive social change in their communities and countries.

The project will greatly improve the level of key competences and skills of the participants, support recognition of non-formal and informal learning, create awareness of diversity and encourage the participants to take part in more Erasmus+ projects.



WHO?

The project involves 30 participants, male and females, aged 18-30. from 6 countries:

- Italy (SE.M.I - Seeds For More Interculture)
- Greece (You in Europe)
- Spain (Projuven)
- Slovenia (Zavod Dobra Pot)
- Poland (European House of Youth Meetings)
- Romania (ATIC)

The exchange especially focuses (but is not limited to) young Europeans with an interest in Creativity (especially Creative writing and Storytelling), in the topic of migration and the situation of the asylum seekers, in the human rights within European and non European countries. The youth exchange is open to people with fewer opportunities and aims at ensuring gender balance.



WHERE?



In Italy, near Faenza (RA).

Ca' Garlena is where the youth exchange will be. You can see it in the picture above. It is a beautiful old country house, in sight of the beautiful Oriolo Tower (on the side).

PAY ATTENTION: There is NO WI-FI and the house is OLD.

Although it was renewed and it is used by scout and church groups, it is not an hotel. It's in the middle of the countryside, very relaxing and in contact with nature.

There are 4 big bedrooms, a kitchen, the activity room and a big space outdoors.

It's perfect for sporty people who want to spend some time offline! ;)



REIMBURSEMENT

The European Union will reimburse the tickets for a maximum of:

- €275 for Poland, Spain, Romania, Greece;
- €180 for Slovenia;
- €0 for Italy.

REMEMBER: in order to issue the reimbursement, we will need all the original tickets (plane, train, bus etc.) and the form that the participants will be provided with. All this information will be explained during the first day of the youth exchange.

GETTING HERE

We will pick you up in **FAENZA**, the closest town, which is very well connected by train. The travel days are the 1st and the 9th of September 2017.

The closest airport is 'Aeroporto G. Marconi Bologna BLQ'. From there you can get a bus for Bologna's central train station and you will get a train every 30 minutes to Faenza (which costs €4.5).

You can also fly to Milano (Malpensa or Bergamo), then reach Milano central train station and then a direct train to Faenza (€20) or with a change in Bologna.

Let us know if you need any help with your tickets!



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INSURANCE

The participants are requested to be in possession of the European Health Card, which is free of charge and provides free healthcare in Italy.

YOUTHPASS

At the end of youth exchange, each participant will receive a Youthpass which will give an opportunity to list skills and competencies acquired and practiced during the youth exchange.

WHAT TO BRING

- Original flight tickets and boarding passes
- Towel
- Sleeping bag
- Laptop
- Camera (smartphone is ok)
- Typical food, drinks for the Inter-Cultural Evening

MONEY

The youth exchange is completely free for the participants: accommodation, food, activities are paid for by the European Union. The travel tickets will be reimbursed according to the distance band.



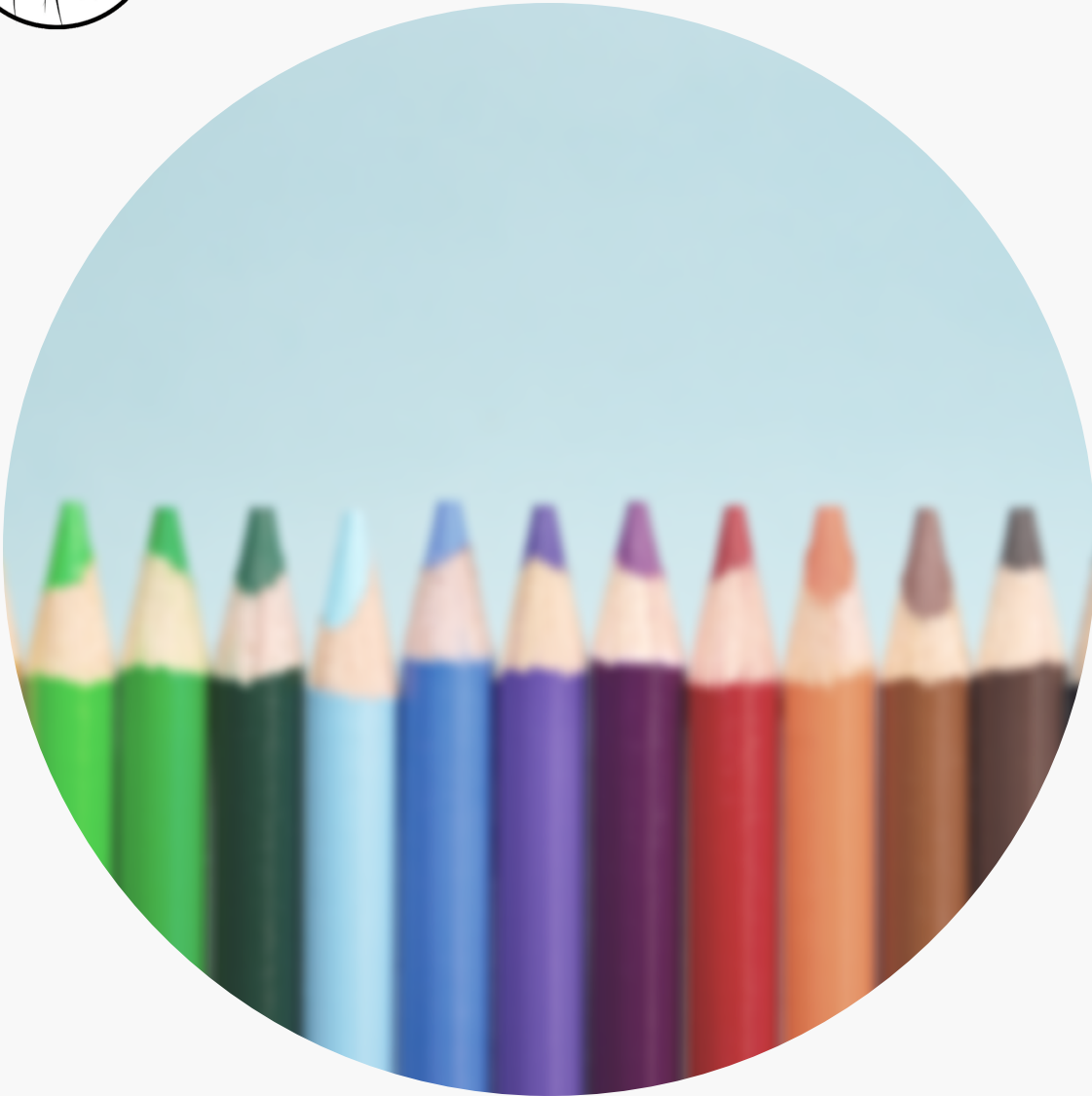
ITALIAN FOOD

You will be provided with:

- breakfast
- morning coffee break
- lunch
- afternoon coffee break
- dinner

During the cultural visit in Faenza we will have lunch at Villa Franchi, a restaurant with typical italian food and pizza.





HOMework

Look at good examples of integration around you and find it in your local community and country.

Each country group will prepare a creative presentation of a good example of integration from their country and share the presentation on the Intercultural Evening, so that others can learn about each other's culture through inspiring solutions.



TIMETABLE

Travel days: 1st (Friday) and 9th (Saturday) of September 2017

Day 1: Team building - Village game
Day 2: Live Action Role Play about Creativity and Human Rights
Day 3: Blogging and Cultural visit
Day 4: Storytelling with Asylum seekers
Day 5: Theatre of the Oppressed
Day 6: Creative writing and Cultural heritage
Day 7: Youthpass, Evaluation and Follow up

ACTIVITY GROUPS

Every day, the participants divided in groups will have a different task: preparing icebreakers; newspaper; cleaning; cook helpers; dish washers; coffee breaks managers.

REFLECTION

Every day, during the youth exchange, there will be space for discussion and reflection in small reflection groups. The participants will be asked to reflect and think about what they have learnt and, if they want to, to share their reflections with the group.

MORNING PAGES

Every day, the participants will be encouraged to spend 30 minutes immediately after breakfast writing anything they feel like and therefore observing their mind engaged in writing as a form of expression aimed to unlock the creative process.



SE.M.I.

Stating that we are all equal in creativity, SE.M.I. aims to integrate young Italians and foreigners in the local community and also to provide youngsters with the possibility to live in a rich intercultural and creative environment where to exchange opinions and develop new ideas.



SILVIA

She holds a master degree in education and is a coordinator for euro-exchanges for different associations.

For several years she worked as an educator while traveling all around the world to gain pedagogic skills (USA, France, Sweden).



MARIA

She studied 'Scenography and Stagecraft' in the Academy of Fine Arts in Bologna and in the theatre La Scala in Milano. She is an experienced event manager and collaborated with other associations on the territory and is now organizing educational workshops.

ELISA

She holds a master's degree in Philosophy, she worked in the UK and did one year of voluntary service in Spain. She write novels, drink coffee, is passionate about people.



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