

# Association FAIRWAY

is organising the project

## "Go Green"



youth exchange

*22 May - 1 June 2018*

**DATE:** 22 May - 1 June 2018 (9 activity days)

Please, confirm your arrival/departure dates **before** booking the tickets!

**VENUE:** Arry, France

**WORKING LANGUAGE:** English (but it's also not a problem if you or someone of your group doesn't speak it)

**PARTICIPANTS:** 8 participants (16 - 30 years old)

**COUNTRIES:**

- France
- Estonia
- Poland

- Spain
- Slovakia

### **SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT:**

We believe that a good part of ecological problems come from lack of awareness of the harmful actions at personal level, and further, at the level of a small community. In addition, we sustain the idea that in small communities people continue to use harmful practices, most of all because of how poorly the information on basic environmental education is disseminated.

Also, we found that there are insufficient practical activities (ecological, infrastructure rehabilitation, etc.) to serve as a clear example to the inhabitants. There are regions where both practical actions and dissemination of good practice are left entirely to local authorities, because of the absence of active NGOs.

The problems identified by our volunteers in this area, which are examples for general exposure in the previous paragraph are: the lack of basic education in terms of selecting, recycling and storing the rubbish, environmental pollution, particularly the rivers polluted by plastic bags and PET containers, storage in poor conditions or simply abandonment of waste potentially harmful to nature (old batteries, old refrigerators, TVs, expired paint, etc) lack of coordination between correspondents of local authorities and civil society for a common action plan on environmental protection, the lack of examples of actions by civil society to reduce environmental pollution (collecting the PET packaging and plastic bags from the rivers, creating bins and arrangements of spaces to store garbage in villages, etc).

Through the spirit of active European citizenship, "GO GREEN" aims to underline the importance of environmental awareness practices in rural areas by the young participants through creative campaigns conducted using methods of non-formal education and through concrete actions to reduce the negative impact caused of man on the natural environment.

At the same time, we want a better communication and to create a durable link between the young participants of the project and local residents. The main activities of the program are: agreeing and taking as inspiration the spirit of European Citizenship (which include: putting into practice beneficial ideas to society, solidarity between people, care for the environment and stopping pollution) of a good environmental practice, development of concrete collective

actions with positive impact on the natural environment, campaigns for awareness and promoting the best practices in an interactive way using the methods of non-formal education, including local authorities within the group discussions and activities for establishing in the end a medium-term strategy to promote good environmental practices in the area, including young people with fewer opportunities from rural areas of the region both in the organizing team and the dissemination target group.

According to all above, "GO GREEN": - Promotes the concept of active "European citizenship", reminding young people values such as solidarity and dialogue, values that they will show both in activities within the group, but also when they will interact with the members of the local community.

The idea, from which we start is that a good citizen is concerned about the problems facing the community, in this case the green and he actively involved in finding remedies and solutions;

- Determines the involvement of young people in general issues that affect society, in this case, their care for the environment;

- It is focused on solidarity for the rural community members where the project unfolds, and tolerance for their disadvantages caused by the lack of an appropriate environmental education;

- It emphasis on diversity, having 40 participants from five different countries with different cultural background;

- Develops mutual understanding between young people from different countries and cultures, they assuming a series of commitments and also, establishing ways to work together as a group;

- Promotes active learning introducing various methods of non-formal education;

- Includes young people with fewer opportunities from rural areas (unemployed, with economic difficulties from isolated areas, with less access to information) as an active part of the project.

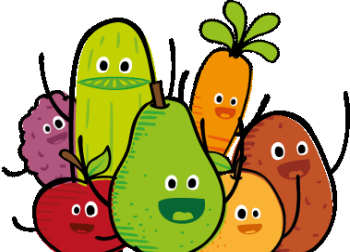
The objectives of this project will be to provide the perfect environment for each of the participants to get to know themselves, understand what truly matters to them and make a clear plan they can easily follow in their everyday lives to help them get to the point where they will be completely satisfied with every aspect of their lives, while keeping the environment safe.

## **ACCOMMODATION:**

The youth exchange will take place in a middle of nature, in a small village called Arry, which is close to the city of Metz. We will have the complete leisure time activities centre rented for us. Inside the accommodation we have 2 activity rooms, big kitchen, dining room and lot of space to do any kind of sport.



**FOOD:**



The food will be prepared and served for you in the centre. The help in the kitchen and with the dishes is very much welcome from the participants.

We will eat simple and typical food. Our cook is great and nice and really committed to our wellbeing. I'm sure you will love her.

**A little of traditional alcoholic drinks** will be allowed during the Intercultural dinner. Just it is very important that this must stay a bit and under very responsible consumption.

If you have some special needs for food (vegetarian, etc.), please, inform us about it beforehand. We can provide you with just **"with/without meat"** vegetarian food, but if you have some very complicated diet, or as a vegetarian you would like to have some special ingredients, we would appreciate if you could **take** the food that you need **with you**.

### **TRAVEL COST:**

We will reimburse to you **100% of all your actual travel costs** for the way go and back to a maximum of 170 euros.

It is very important that you keep ALL your travel documents, including the boarding passes, if travelling by plane. You must **give us all your tickets**, including also your return tickets that must be already bought for the moment of the reimbursement (during the youth exchange itself), otherwise if we do not have a ticket, we cannot consider it for the reimbursement. It is very-very important.

You must use the cheapest travel option that is possible (buses, trains, low cost airlines, etc.)

We will only reimburse you the travel costs if you participate in the **WHOLE** youth exchange.

**It is very important that you choose the cheapest travelling way that is possible (using low costs airlines). Also, only the flight cost will be reimbursed and no any**



extras, like extra luggage, priority boardings and so on.

If you have any questions about the travel costs or financial matters, please contact us before you buy your tickets.

### **MONEY:**

There is **a participation fee of 40 euros** that will be charged from every participant of the exchange. This fee is obligatory.

100% of your travelling costs will be reimbursed on the condition that the person has all the **bills, tickets and boarding passes** (when travelling by a plane) to present to us.

100% of costs of simple accommodation and basic food are covered by our NGO.

**The travel costs will not be reimbursed to people who are not taking part of the entire youth exchange or not respecting the rules of the exchange.**

### **Security:**

Please don't take any big cash amount of money with you. We will live in a commonly shared space and it is your personal responsibility to take care of your own belongings.

### **Insurance:**

We highly recommend that each participant takes care of own additional travel insurance for the full duration of the project with travel days included. Please, make sure also that you have a valid European health card with you.

### **YOUTHPASS:**

Each participant will receive a YouthPass, which:

Certificate of non-formal education (you will take part on an educational activity)

You can include it in your CV and use it for school, university, new job, etc. In the beginning of the project we will divided participants into small groups that later will work every evening in the reflection groups where they'll talk about the day, activities, what they have learned, etc. With all these notes, at the end of the Exchange will be a workshop where the participants will work in their own YouthPass. YouthPass will be reached on the end of exchange.

**YOU WILL NEED TO BRING WITH YOU...PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY AND MAKE THIS. IT IS NICE WHEN EVERYBODY IS PREPARED NICELY**

- **Sleeping bag** Towels and personal things. Make yourself comfortable, if you get cold, you will get bad mood.
- Typical food for **intercultural evening**. Bring enough and take you time. you will represent your country and we want to taste everything.

We make intercultural dinner on 1st evening and we make just intercultural dinner on idea to enjoy the specialties from all countries, so we will have just this as a meal.

We want people to bring enough food, eventually food to warm up for their delegations as diverse as possible, and to bring a bit of typical alcohol to taste. We will provide a nice local table for them from our side

This is how it will look like if everybody do his job and we will be full of nice food



- Poster, leaflets, card, videos, typical music... from your country, region, city. It looks a bit dry like this, but it is important, give us the taste of your region



- Info, presentation, material, stickers... from your organization or group, crew and maybe inspire us for your own NGO that you will create with us after the project.
- Warm clothes, yes we are not in the South ☺
- Camera, laptop and other equipment making life and work easier. Only if you want to use it. I'm sure you will bring your smartphones
- Ideas, games, ice breakings, dances and folk for your cultural evening. Prepare this in country group
- Good mood and energy to be active! We don't reimburse costs for people with bad energy ☺ if you don't catch this sense of humour don't come please.

If you have any questions or suggestions, feel free to contact us!

### Important

If you want to be group leader, activity leader, workshop leader or visibility leader for this project or for another one

contact Luc [Wendling](#)

[luc.wendling@gmail.com](mailto:luc.wendling@gmail.com)

FB luc wendling

There is a small contribution previewed for this preparation and job.

And mainly it is a very interesting way to make an active step in the NGO world.

[nicolas.jerzyk@gmail.com](mailto:nicolas.jerzyk@gmail.com)

See you soon! ☺