

Info Pack for partners about the project

Mobility of young people
Youth Exchange

“Social Entrepreneurship for Social Change”

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Who are we?

Coordinating organisation

ADEPT (Asociata de Dezvoltare a Europei Prin Tineri - ADEPT) is non-governmental organisation created and managed by young people, thus giving each single member an opportunity of personal and professional growth and an opportunity to get involved and learn, meet people and experience through development.

ADEPT purpose is to engage the civil society in taking part in the inclusion of young people into European Union unity by giving young people tools to become more active in the local and European society, by organizing different types of activities such as seminars, training's, local, national and international meeting, youth exchanges, etc.

ADEPT is concentrating its efforts to reach young people and present them the concept of European citizenship in order for them to know and understand the benefits and the power of a united, responsible and engaged society.

About the project

Currently, one of the biggest problems at Romania and EU, in line with rest of the world, is youth unemployment. Considering the local situation in Romania, new jobs will not be created in the Public Sector and if they are, then they are generally unsustainable, so the way out of the current situation will depend on entrepreneurship, including social entrepreneurship . Young people also have fewer opportunities in the job market, as traditionally within the Romanian economy, older and more experienced employees always have an advantage over less experienced younger counterparts, and retired people also start their own businesses after retirement, further limiting the chances of the youth. This situation is applicable to rest of the Europe as well, especially to Italy, Greece, Macedonia, Spain and Hungary which are countries with the biggest unemployment rate in EU.

Young people in Romania and more widely in the EU are at risk for finding a proper job or being self employed. Even that nowadays Romania is having one of the lowest unemployment rate (16.8% in 2017 according to www.tradingeconomics.com) still this rate is worrying and producing big youth brain drain to the more developed countries. Especially the unemployment problem is visible in the rural areas and the cities where the industry is less developed.

Youth are in danger of becoming the “educated unemployed” and joining the so-called NEETs (not in employment, education or training). They can be even more marginalized if their gender, ethnicity, social status, disability or geographic location isolates them from the mainstream. A young person without work for prolonged periods will struggle to recover: Experts warn of their long-term lost income, increased dependency on benefit payments and their wasted potential.

In the face of such economic and social challenges, there is demand, especially for young people, to better prepare them for today’ s varied and unpredictable career paths. According to CEDEFOP, the global economy and the 21st century workplace need people with transversal skills such as the ability to think critically, take initiative, problem solve and work collaboratively. Part of building an entrepreneurial mind-set and motivating young

people to persevere in the pursuit of opportunity, these skills are essential regardless of what path an individual chooses.

That's why with our partners who are working with young people on a daily basis we decided to apply this project. Since this problem is very similar in the partner countries, we believe that working together and sharing experiences is the best way and a great benefit for finding common solutions and encouraging youth confidence for taking initiative.

The objective of the project is to tackle youth unemployment across the EU through innovative solutions including social entrepreneurship, and raising awareness on youth unemployment. This project also aims to ensure equal access to employment across the society, particularly among young people through equipping them with relevant skills.

Successful social entrepreneurship projects can initiate sustainable social change which in a long term will help the ones that are in biggest need.

The main aim of the project is to equip young people with necessary competencies and tools in order to become the engines of social change through initiating social entrepreneurship projects.

Based on the above aim, the objectives are as below:

- Raising awareness of the young people about social problems
- Motivate young people to undertake and utilise social entrepreneurship as a force for social change
- Improving entrepreneurial competencies of young people
- Develop pilot projects which address social challenges in their community

We will achieve the project objectives with using many creative tools and methods of non-formal education, experiential learning and youth centered approach where the young people will be engaged in all processes.

Partners and Participants:

Partners:

- ADEPT
- CED
- EUROTENDER
- *SAL FUERA ELX
- *YOUth Connect
- *Odysseus Educational boat



We are looking for **5 participants + 1 group leader** per country who:

- Will clearly explain their need and motivation for participation in this project
- Are in the NEET group (Are not in education, employment or training) or are having fewer opportunities (preference will be given to applicants belonging to the NEET group or applicants with fewer opportunities)
- Have interest to be involved in social entrepreneurship
- Have interest to actively participate in the follow-up activities and in the work of the

- partner organization
- Have Interest to share the learning to their peers
 - Wish to develop professionally and personally;
 - Are aged 18-28 years, speak (or open to try to speak) English and are willing to be an active participant for the entire duration of the exchange;
 - Are motivated, open-minded, willing to cooperate and share experience.

How to apply

Send your CV and motivational letter stating why you want to participate in this project to the partner organization from your country latest until 20.07.2019

If you don't have CV, create one very fast here:

<https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/documents/curriculum-vitae>

Venue

Arcca Campus in Bucharest, Romania

Address of the campus: Bulevardul Energeticienilor 9-11.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FD3IDdDtjKE>

The accommodation will be provided in triple rooms, each room having: 3 single beds, 3 closets, 3 sets of the towels, fridge with freezer, microwave and toilet with shower.

Regarding food: breakfast, lunch, dinner and 2 coffee breaks will be served at the restaurant.



There is no toiletry, iron, or hair dryer provided, so if participants need this, please make sure they bring their own.

At the ground floor of the campus there is water filter machine with hot and cold water.

The campus also has a sports field that can be used for free, together with football or basketball balls.

The campus has a room for clothes machine-washing and machine drying. A full wash-dry, cost is about 5E. Multiple people can wash in the same time, in order to divide the cost. Wash powder is not included in the cost.

For those that want after, at their own costs, they can enjoy the bar products and waterpipe.

Budget

There is no participation fee. Food, accommodation and local travel costs (only during the activity program) will be covered by the grant from the Romanian National Agency of Erasmus+.

Reimbursement

According to the rules of the Romanian National Agency, travel reimbursements can only be made by bank transfer to the Partner Organization and based on real costs. The bank transfer will be executed after

- receiving all of the original documents (receipts, invoices, boarding passes and reimbursement claim) by post,
- filling the form generated by the National Agency online evaluation through the Mobility Tool by the group leaders,
- dissemination of results.

up to the budget limit in Erasmus+ Programme.

Rules for reimbursement:

1. Only the cheapest means of transportation will be accepted between the country of the Partner Organization and the venue. Before purchasing anything, please, send your travel plan to vlade-tearce@hotmail.com for confirmation;
2. Only uninterrupted travel expenses incurred within the activity start and end dates can be accepted for reimbursement;
3. The bank transfers costs cannot be covered by the project;
4. In order to avoid unnecessary stress and problems (e.g. loss of documents by the post) please send us scanned copies of all documents by email to vlade-tearce@hotmail.com before sending those by post.
5. All expenses must be converted to euros using the official exchange rate of the European Central Bank (ECB) on the date when the expense was paid. Link to ECB: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/exchange/eurofxref/html/index.en.html>
6. In case the participant(s) fail(s) to engage in the activity's daily program due to late arrival or early departure and not attending 100% of the sessions, the amount granted per participant per day will be deducted from the travel reimbursement. The maximum limit to be reimbursed for each participant is highlighted above and was calculated by the distance calculator of the European Commission.

Thanks a lot for keeping in mind all of these!

Other Costs

If participants decide to arrive earlier or stay longer, all costs related to that will be supported by the participants themselves.

Costs of the insurance are not eligible and will not be reimbursed! This means that each participant must support his/her own insurance that covers: travel insurance (including damage or loss of luggage) wherever relevant; accident and serious illness (including permanent or temporary incapacity); and death (including repatriation expenses), as defined in the ERASMUS+ Programme Guide.

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