

Let's Spread the World

Erasmus+ Youth Exchange



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ORGANISATIONS

- ❖ Erasmusplus Hannover (Germany)
- ❖ VIBE - Youth group for education and cultural development (Slovakia)
- ❖ Youth Eurasia (Turkey)
- ❖ Oriel (Italy)
- ❖ WorldUnlimited (Bulgaria)

Project Description

Social circles of Europeans are becoming increasingly diverse. Because of this, it is obvious that acceptance of diversity is important for our society but discrimination is still a widespread problem, which needs to be addressed to prevent social exclusion of discriminated groups that often leads to increased violence, resulting in wars and conflicts.

It is clear that **people need to change their negative opinions about other countries**. Based on the fact that people nowadays are highly influenced by media, we can assume that **one of the most effective ways to promote tolerance is through media communication, especially online**.

The main activity of the Youth Exchange is to host a youth mobility in Germany which will gather **35 young people from 5 partner countries (Slovakia, Turkey, Germany, Italy, Bulgaria)** from diverse backgrounds. The event will take place **from 26 October until 4 November 2019 in Hannover**, 26th is expected arrival day to venue.

The aim of the project is to promote tolerance between people from different cultures and fight against prejudices through media communication.

The project is a combination of two main topics - discrimination and media. The topic was chosen based on belief that media are influencing peoples' opinions about others and often they can develop wrong opinions rather than the good ones. Since media is such a powerful tool of influence, it can be used to fight against discrimination and promote tolerance.

Objectives of the project are ...

- raising awareness among young people on the problem of discrimination;
- providing opportunities for networking and partnerships between young people, youth workers and organizations in partner countries;
- increasing mutual understanding, solidarity and tolerance between young people from different cultural contexts and backgrounds through working in a multicultural environment;
- introducing participants to potential of media to influence people's opinions and find ways how to use it to promote tolerance and fight against discrimination;
- empowering participants to act on promoting tolerance by developing skills to create media material that can be shared and spread online;
- promoting active citizenship of young people in their society and EU;
- developing project planning skills of participants;
- promoting opportunities for young people in Erasmus+ programme and non-formal education and motivating young people to take part in future projects;
- giving participants ability to work in a group and to cooperate.

Participant's Profile

Each nationality group will consist of 7 participants (6 + 1 group leader) who are between 18 and 30 years old. Gender balance of the group is required (equal number of girls and boys). The priority will be given to participants with fewer opportunities and participants who have not taken part in youth exchange before.

Our participants are going to be young people interested in topics addressed by the project as discrimination, inclusion, communication and also media (including promotion, photography, video making, social media, blog etc.) One of our most important requirements is **to find young people coming from different cultural**

backgrounds and **ethnic origins, believing in different religions** in order to ensure diversity in group of participants. Moreover, participants should be willing to contribute to the project and willing to take part in dissemination of project outcomes. They will be able to actively communicate in English.

Participants are expected to join all activities during the project regardless their qualifications. **Each participant needs to be a resident of the sending country.**

What to prepare before the project?

1. Research the situation of discrimination in your home countries, especially in social media.
2. Research discriminative discourse in your country media and press releases and collect examples.
3. **Each national team should prepare a presentation or an activity on the given topics** (can be any type of activity, it just needs to be connected to the topic). The recommended time of activity is **1,5 hour**:

Germany – discrimination and prejudices based on race.

Turkey – discrimination and prejudices based on religion.

Slovakia – discrimination and prejudices based on gender.

Bulgaria – discrimination and prejudices based on ethnic origin.

Italy – discrimination and prejudices based on disabilities.

4. **Prepare your cultural night** (bring traditional foods, drinks, clothes, show dances etc)
5. **1 PC per nationality group (and camera recommended)**
Some of the project activities require work on computer. For this we will need laptops. Please, bring at least 1 laptop per nationality group. If someone can bring their camera, it will be very welcomed since one of the activities is about photography. But you can still use your smartphone.

Travel

We expect all participants to land in Hannover Airport not before 22th October 2019 and depart not later than 7 November 2019. Flight tickets only in economy class in a chapest way can be reimbursed according Erasmus+ program and extra luggages can not be covered.

Keep in mind Bremen Airport can be used if there are big price difference, tickets for Hannover can be very expensive sometimes since it is an expo city of Germany.

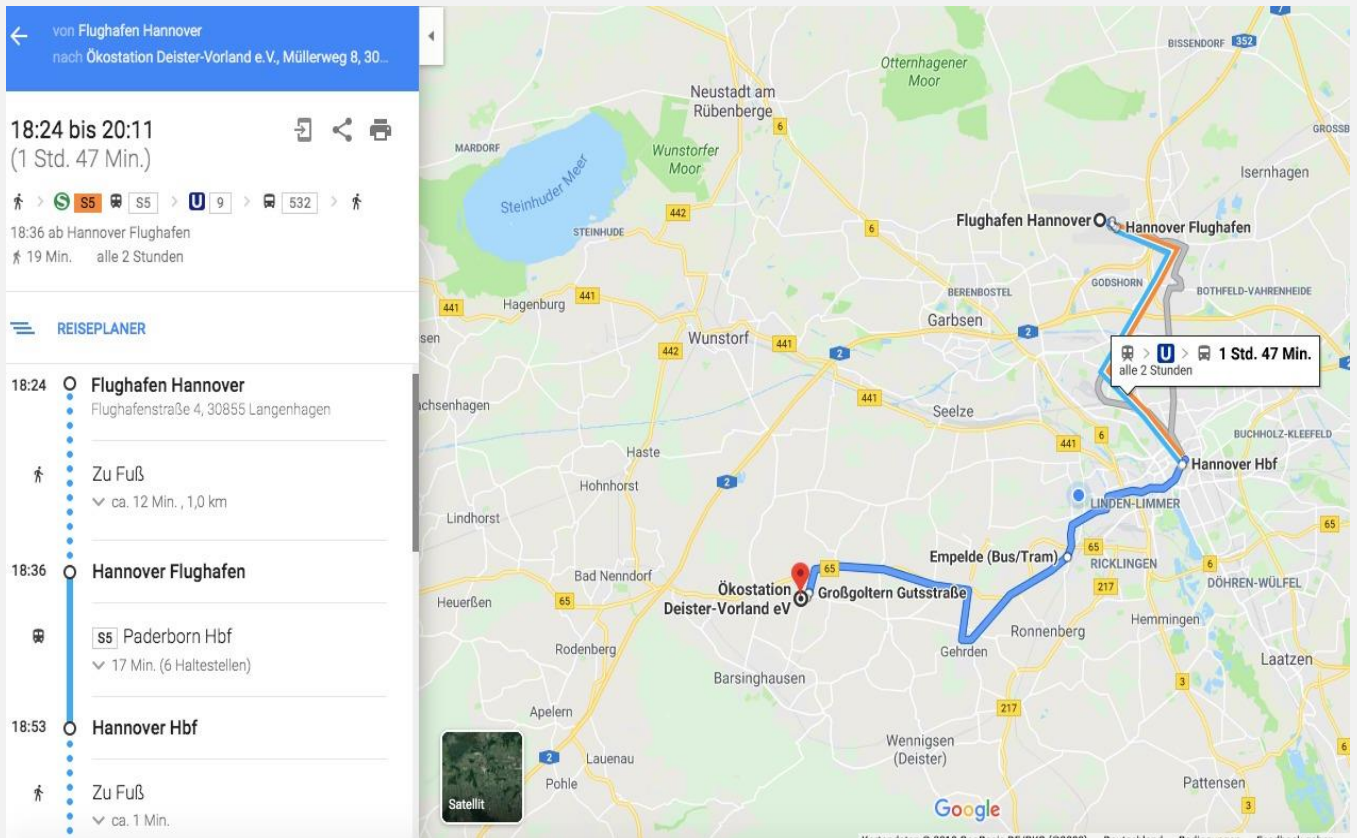
Desired flight tickets should be sent to confirmation of organisers

(erasmusplushannover@gmail.com, youtheurasia@gmail.com).

Flight tickets should be bought only after the confirmation of host organisation. Flight tickets purchasement deadline is **15th September 2019**.

It takes approximately 2 hours from Hannover airport to venue by public transportation. For this reason host organisation will organise **private bus** from Hannover Airport to the venue. Meeting time and point will be announced from project Facebook group, however try to be in Hannover airport as early as possible.

In case the ones miss the private bus, at the airport you have to take the S5 direction Paderborn Hauptbahnhof to Hannover main station. At Hannover Hbf, take the train 9 in the direction of Empelde until you reach Empelde. From Empelde, take the bus 532 and continue on until Großgoltern Gutsstraße. From Grossgoltern Gutsstraße walk 550 meters (6 minutes) to the seminar location.



Travel costs and reimbursement

Participants can arrive in Germany **maximum 3 days before** the project and leave from Germany **maximum 3 days after** the project dates.

Travel costs will be refunded **based on original tickets and receipts up to the maximum amounts** listed below:

Bulgaria:	275€
Germany:	180€
Turkey:	360€
Slovakia:	275€
Italy:	275€

Travel and health insurance should be arranged by each participant individually. It is very recommended.

Travel tickets – important information!

All participants need to give us **ORIGINALS of all their travel tickets** (even in case you are over the budget) **including boarding passes, flight reservations and any tickets for public transport.**

BOARDING PASSES: We strongly recommend you to **do online check-in** because you will receive boarding pass for your flight in electronic form. Like this you do not need to be worried about losing your boarding pass. **Make sure you do not lose your boarding pass, without it we cannot return the money for your travel.**

Important: If you lose any of your tickets or boarding passes, we cannot reimburse you, so please be extremely careful.

Accommodation

The project will be held in youth seminarhouse called “eKOM”, stands for ecology and communication. The seminar house works together with children and young people and promotes their projects. It offers several seminar rooms, two kitchens, capacity for 45 people in shared rooms and a large adventure garden.

Address:

EKOM Seminarhaus
Müllerweg 8
30890 Barsinghausen
OT Großgoltern
Niedersachsen
Deutschland

<http://ekomweb.de/>





General House Rules:

- Full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner + 1 coffee break with cake and biscuits) is provided during the youth exchange.
- Accomodation based on gender up to 4-6 people.
- Check-in available after 16:00 in 26th October 2019 and check out is 4th November 2019 until 12:00.
- Bed linen is provided. It is not allowed to use bed without sheets.
- Participants should bring their own towel.
- Every room has it's own toilet and bathroom.
- We will be one big family whose responsible from our own cleaning in the rooms, working areas, toilets, showers, kitchen and venue generally. We will get everything clean and leave it back clean at the end of event.
- We will have dishwasher machine and we'll be responsible to clean our own dishes and place them in cupboard.
- The guests expected to sort the garbage resulting from the activities themselves (appropriate containers are everywhere in the building and on the site), Venue is eco-friendly place has waste separation. We'll be careful seperate our trashes into bins in order to do zero-waste event.
Blue: papers, Yellow: plastic, Green: Organic.
- Defects or damage in the room, on the furnitures and in the common areas must be covered.
- Losing room key is charges 20€.
- The venue is not responsible from our lost items.
- Any kind of drug is prohabited and it is crime in Germany.
- German youth protection law is valid in alcohol consumption.
- Kitchen can be open only upon request. Please let us know if you are planning to cook something special.
- Participants are not allowed to change rooms.
- Loud music and noice not allowed between 22:00 – 07:00 in the frame of German lows "Nachtruhe".
- Please bring your own slippers as street shoes and boots should be pulled out in front of the bedrooms. Shoe shelves are available.
- There is a small market 10 minutes walk nearby.

Attendance

All participants need to take active part in all the activities and be on time for the activities as well. According to the rules of Erasmus+, any participant who will not take active part in the activities will not be reimbursed and will not receive a Youthpass certificate.

GDPR

During the activities, we are going to make videos and photos of the whole group. These photos and videos will be used only for the dissemination purposes of the project. According to the new regulations called „GDPR“, each participant needs to give us a permission for taking the photos and videos of them by their signature. Hope nobody has a problem with this 😊

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