



CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS:

Young Activists Performing Peace - Training Seminar for Youth Workers Sievershausen / Germany

New Dates 23.10. - 29.10.2021 (travel days included)

- Are you interested in a training in the fields of peace and conflict resolution and theater pedagogy?
- Do you like working with your body as a tool for nonverbal communication and political action?
- Do you embrace the idea of promoting peace and international friendship among young people?
- Do you like developing your personal skills together with youth workers from more than 10 countries?
- Would you like to get an official recognition of your participation in this learning experience? (Youth Pass – for more information: <https://www.youthpass.eu/en/>)

If so, you will definitely benefit from our Training Seminar and we would be more than happy to receive your registration!

Aims

The training will enable participants to acquire knowledge, skills and competences and prepare them for applying methods related to theatre pedagogy during peace education activities. It will include several modules:

The logic of peace - An interactive training workshop providing insight in using peace as an education concept (run by Trainer and Expert in Peace Education and Conflict Resolution)

Challenges for peace in the EU and in the world - You, the Participants will provide input on topics, which are highly relevant to you, your organization, and society. The group will discuss the issues presented and together you will choose topics you would like to work on by means of a theatre or music performance.

Theatre and Music performances as a way to promote peace - You will undergo a training workshop for youth workers run by a theatre pedagogue and trainer on peace education.





Hands on performing peace - You will work in groups to elaborate and prepare theatre performances and you will then present them to an audience in public.

Our peace promotion laboratory - Inspired by this wonderful experience, you will generate ideas and discuss proposals for concrete activities in which you will make use of the methodology learnt during this training. It will be your task to present an activity to your Sending Organisation and if possible to be part of the preparation process with the aim to carry out a similar "performing peace" activity in your country in summer 2022.

Evaluating the learning experience and getting recognition - the experience is first evaluated individually by all participants or in pairs. In a next step, you will evaluate together with the facilitators in comparison to the learning objectives. Finally, you will be invited to include the competences you have acquired in your official certificate: the Youth Pass.

(Further information: <https://www.youthpass.eu/en/>)

Objectives

- Promote peace and international friendship in our societies and further develop the methodology used in our non-formal peace learning activities.
- Train youth workers on theatre pedagogy and peace education.
- Learn about developments and threats to peace in their countries and find ways to cooperate with each other in order to reach out to a wider community.
- Tackle issues such as increasing nationalism, hate speech, xenophobia and racism especially among young people.
- Motivate and empower young people to take a more active stand against right-wing propaganda, discrimination against Muslims and human rights violations against refugees and migrants.
- Get to know the situation of peace work in Sievershausen and prepare a theatre performance for the local community.

WHO?

Every partner organization is invited to send two participants. A total of 22 youth workers from program countries (Belgium, France, Germany, Greece and Turkey) and from neighboring partner countries (Azerbaijan, Georgia, Russia, Israel, Morocco and Palestine) are invited to participate. Candidates should have experience in youth and/or non-formal political education and should be ready to use the results of this project in their work.





Conditions of participation:

- **Date of arrival: 23.10.2021 in the afternoon**
- **Date of departure: 29.10.2021 after lunch**
- Age: 18+ (no upper limit)
- Working Language: English
- Previous experience: You should have experience in running non-formal youth learning or political education activities.

Financial conditions:

- Accommodation and food are provided free of charge
- Registration fee:
.....60,- € for EU countries (with exception of Greece),
.....40,- € for all other countries (including Greece)
- Reimbursement of the travel expenses:
.....Depending on the distance, please see table below.
Please book the most economic flight or train or bus ticket. Please note that we need a ticket and boarding pass as well as a proof of payment and will reimburse you only the amount you really have spent, up to the maximum amount in the table below.
- Reimbursement of visa and visa related costs: Reimbursement will be calculated and done according to the real costs and only if financial proof documents are provided.

Country	Distance	Maximum reimbursement per participant* travel costs	Maximum reimbursement per participant* Visa costs
Germany	100 - 499	180,- €	
Belgium	100 - 499	180/275 ,- € (distance below/above 499 km)	
France	500 - 1999	180/275 ,- € (distance below/above 499 km)	
Greece	500 - 1999	275,- €	
Azerbaijan	3000 - 3999	530,- €	
Georgia	2000 - 2999	360,- €	
Russian Federation	2000 - 2999	360,- €	60,- €
Turkey	500 - 1999	275,- €	100,- €
Morocco	2000 - 2999	360,- €	100,- €
Israel	2000 - 2999	360,- €	
Palestine	2000 - 2999	360,- €	300,-€



Venue of the training

The Peace Studies Center Sievershausen was established in the rooms of the Sievershausen Lutheran Church community almost 50 years ago. There are several buildings surrounded by a nice park, including a guesthouse and a museum with an assembly hall. Every year an international workcamp takes place here, and the place really benefits from this international atmosphere. The seminar house offers sleeping rooms for 3-4 people, volunteers will have a lot of space for meetings, cooking, dining, relaxing and for indoor and outdoor activities. Sievershausen is located near Hannover, for further information see: <http://www.antikriegshaus.de>



The projects “Young Activists for Peace”

ICJA has been organizing annual peace-educational youth meetings and trainings since 2015, in which young people and youth workers are able to exchange information on current crises and problems within Europe and/or neighboring regions, and to work on topics relevant to them through interactive, participatory methods of non-formal learning.

"Young Activists for Peace" stands for:

- The international commitment of young people to promote peace in solidarity with others in Europe and beyond.
- The intensive encounter and sharing of youths of different social and cultural origins and worldviews.
- The mediation of peace pedagogical basic competences with certified trainers according to the pedagogical concept “Young people becoming agents of peace”.
- Meetings and joint activities with target groups and stakeholders of the chosen topic.
- Workshops with committed activists and excursions to civil society initiatives.
- Artistic workshops (theater, video, performing arts,...) for dealing creatively with the respective topics and reaching out and including more and more young people in the struggle for peace.

Contact

For any further question you might have, please contact us via email:

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