

Call for participants!

Slatinka Association is looking for participants for Mobility of youth workers

Learn Urban Green

venue: Stavropol, Russia

duration: 28.10-03.11.2019 (including travel)

SUMMARY:

Green Urban is an international meeting which is going to gather urbanists, city-designers, street artists, eco-activists, educators and cultural organizers, municipality workers, journalists and bloggers involved with the topic of city or community development in order to equip them with good practices of community and city activities/projects.

The main topic of the meeting is how we can bring young people to share common values and live in a comfortable friendly city, where everyone can be heard and motivated to work for the community's goals, how to involve young people in to community.

The project will bring together 17 participants from Russia, Moldova, Portugal and Slovakia.

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD:

- come from youth organisation, network, pool of trainers, community, educational institution, etc.;
- have an experience in one of the topics of the meeting and be able to share it with other participants;
- be available for the whole period of preparation, implementation, follow-up activity and final
- evaluation of the project;
- be able to work in English;
- reside in the following countries: Slovakia, Russia, Moldova, Portugal
- be an urbanist, young architect, street artist, eco-activist, municipality worker, student in any of above-mentioned spheres, journalists and bloggers, or educators whose main topic is city development
- BE ACTIVELY WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN LOCAL LEVEL

At this meeting, youth workers from different countries will share their experience and successful practices from their homelands/home cities in order to improve their current work in the field of urbanistics in the format of peer-to-peer education.

Using their experiences and design thinking tools, participants will develop new methods and instruments to connect people in communities with the help of (revitalization of public spaces, including green places and) community projects.



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There is going to be a practical task for participants on raising awareness activities for the local community: participants will be divided into teams that will work on their project ideas for local action/activity such as helping local library organizing an event for promoting its coworking zone, organising planting workshops and so on.

INFORMATION ON the city WHERE the MEETING WILL BE HELD



The event will take place in **Stavropol, Russia**. Despite the fact that the city is the capital of Stavropol region, hosting quite many events, including those the scale of North Caucasus and it is recognised as the most modern and urbanized city in the North Caucasus federal district, it is still very poorly developed from the point of view of tourism, green infrastructure, communities and it's projects.

However there are activists and passionate citizens who are interested in creating and participating in local projects, and the ones already working look forward to practice and ideas exchange. It is obvious that there must be more community work and activities.

Stavropol is a very typical Russian city that can be a good example of how a post-soviet city and community looks like. The city is about 600 000 people (non-official statistics) -the city is rather small, comparing with other regional capitals in Russia, its economy is not well-developed, there is

a small number of industrial enterprises, mostly depending on regional specifics of agriculture. The employment situation is not that bad, but salaries in the region are very small comparing with other regions of Russia. There are many students in our city - about 80 000 from all North Caucasus. The city is growing as many students stay here after graduation. Stavropol now is a city representing the ideas of urbanism as many of future students are moving to study to the city and its infrastructure is not well managed for that process, so it grows spontaneously, as the administration reacts to the challenges it faces quite slowly.

HOSTING ORGANISATION

Center of Applied Urbanism [http://processor.city/\(RUSSIA\)](http://processor.city/(RUSSIA))

(registered under the name of Bureau of Social and Cultural Initiatives) exists as a non-formal union of people, interested in making our city better. These are NGO people, artists, street-artists, eco-activists, musicians, educators, architects, journalists. We have a community of artists and street-artists, my colleagues organised a couple of small festivals in the region. This year a bigger one is going to take place in Stavropol. We wanted to invite young artists from Europe with Erasmus+, but we haven't found good partners.

BSCI also do some environmental activities such as organise forest clean-ups, support tree planting initiatives, work with education - last year organised the School of Urbanistics in Stavropol where mostly the representatives of creative cluster took part, but there were businessmen and Municipality people as well. BSCI works also in rural areas - last year the camp for children which was called Non-formal English took place - a goal was to teach children to speak English and to talk about crucial for the society topics with the help of non-formal education.

Organisation aim is to improve the community by bringing some knowledge, some culture through artistic and innovating techniques.

COORDINATING ORGANISATION

Slatinka Association (Slovakia)

Slatinka Association is Slovakian NGO. Our mission is to protect natural values and the environment, especially in the Slatina River Valley, to increase public participation in decision-making on environmental projects and documents, environmental education and trainings, especially for young people. We cooperate with local residents, young people - university students in Zvolen, high school students, young volunteers, as well as local authorities. Our activities are focused on five objectives

1. SAVE THE SLATINKA VILLAGE - usage of the Slatina river valley without the Slatinka water dam, protection and revitalization of the village of Slatinka (including the protection of the cultural values of the village, the care about the educational trail and the care of the former school - today's ecocentre)
2. PARK LANICE - care of natural habitat remains and into an urbanized environment without disturbing their natural values (including the management of one of the most valuable sites in Zvolen – Lanice Park)
3. ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION - Environmental awareness actions, in particular activities for children and young people (including activities for the practical participation of children and young people in community life and decision-making on matters of their



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- interest)
- 2) GREEN CREW (ekoporadňa) supporting active people who want to protect the nature and engage in decisionmaking on projects and documents with an impact on their environment (including debates, educational activities for citizens)
 - 3) INFORMATION POINT ABOUT VOLUNTEERING – Promotion volunteering of young people in the Zvolen - Detva - Banská Štiavnica region

PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

Real Sensations, PORTUGAL - is an association, non-profit, part of the social network of several municipalities in the Algarve's region (Faro, Portimão, Lagoa e Albufeira). It is a partner of APF – Family Planning Association, to cooperate with the victims of human trafficking in order to help their integration on the labour market and in their social life. The Real Sensations Association promotes the social, cultural, artistic and economic development in Silves' county and nearby regions, to stimulate projects and activities, with the aim of promoting female and young entrepreneurship.

Parcurile Viitorului, MOLDOVA. The mission of organisation is to rise awareness among people from different sectors, about environmental and urban situation but especially green spaces, forests and parks from Moldova and worldwide. Through events and projects, people are involved to recognize their role in making solutions and preventing the ecological and urbanistic problems in parks and forests.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION for Project participants

- there is no participation fee; the Youth workers Mobility is covered by Erasmus + Program
- accommodation and food are provided by local partner and covered by the grant
- visa and travel costs are covered by Erasmus + up to 550€

If you are interested send short motivation (100 words) till 8th of September to Jana Pavlikova.

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