

TRAINING COURSE
'GENDER EQUALITY TC'

TOPOLA, SERBIA

17/07/2017 – 24/07/2017

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Dear participants,

We are glad to welcome you to the Training course **'Gender equality TC'** and we are looking forward to meet you in Topola very soon. Please, read all the provided information carefully and don't hesitate to contact us with anything related to your participation in the project.



About the project

Project 'Gender Equality TC' will be organized by Serbian NGO 'European Youth Organizations' in cooperation with German NGO 'Zentralrat der Serben in Deutschland e.V.'

Gender inequality is present in every society in the World, and Gender-based Violence is one of the most widespread forms of human rights abuse and a violation of human dignity anywhere, including all the member states of Council of Europe.

Gender comes along with a number of different aspects such as sex and gender roles. Each of these aspects play a significant part when speaking of the different social problems encountered both, men and women. Sex makes up the biological differences; of male or female, while gender is the socially learned behaviors that are attached to the sexes, which create Gender Roles. Gender roles constitute the attitudes and behaviors that are expected of males and females in a given culture of society. It is these gender roles that give the impact of **GENDER INEQUALITY** amongst the male and the female sex.

The values of human rights, non-violence and gender equality must be accepted and respected, not imposed or just advertised. **The key is in education, information and tools, which is exactly what we would like to achieve with this project.**

Participants

The target groups of the project are group leaders, youth workers, volunteers who work with young people and who want to learn about or develop their skills in order to promote and launch new quality projects under the framework of the Erasmus + Programme on the topic of gender, gender equality and tolerance, cooperation in order to involve and aware the young people they are working with in their local environment.

The participants will be youth workers that are active members of the organizations of the partners involved which:

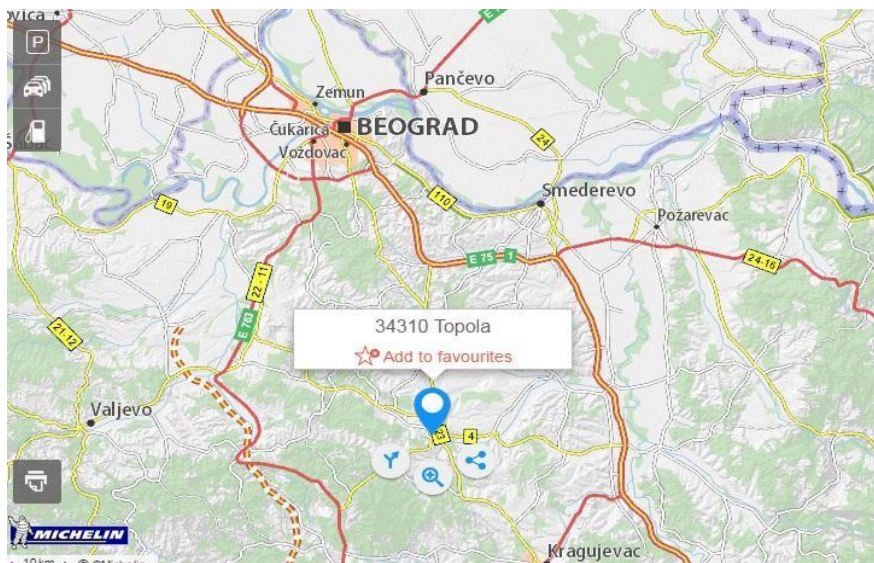
- youth workers, youth leaders, teachers, social workers, etc. who are directly working with young people who are having different cultural backgrounds;
- youth workers and youth leaders active in non – formal education field;
- are willing to develop their competences in field of gender equality and share their knowledge, skills and experiences with other participants;
- are working or plan to work with multicultural groups on local, national or international level;
- would like to get practical and theoretical knowledge, how to use gender equality in their work;
- have already "some" experience with working with young people;
- have previous experience in intercultural activities and/or are familiar with concept of gender equality;
- are able to communicate in English (The official language of the Seminar will be English).
- are at least 18 years old;

- are motivated to be fully involved in preparation process (homework's) and attend at least 98% of the Seminar.
- are motivated to take part in after seminar phase (evaluation, self assessment, etc.).

Venue

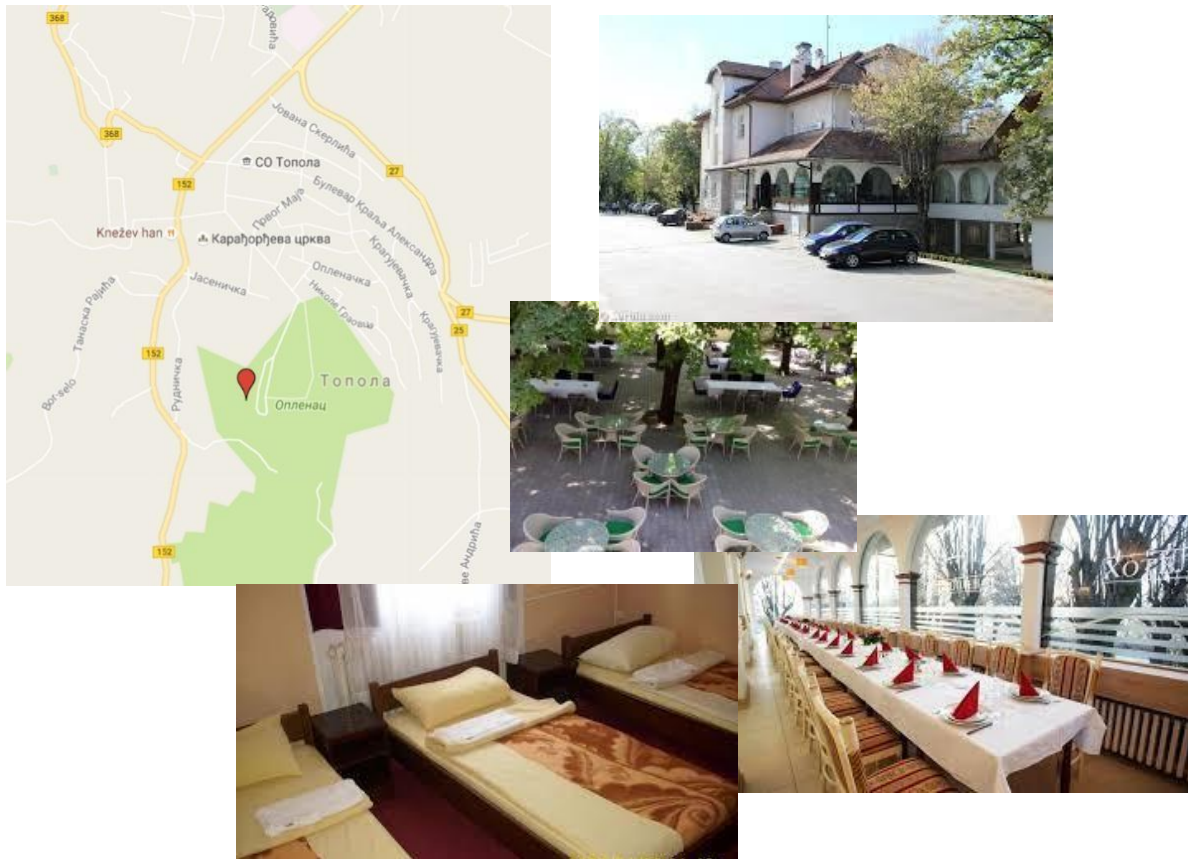
Project activities will be held in **Topola**, which is a town and municipality located in the Šumadija region of Serbia. It was the place where Karađorđe, a Serbian revolutionary, was chosen as the leader of the First Serbian Uprising against the Ottoman Empire in 1804. The local St. George Church is the burial place of the Ducal and Royal Family of Serbia and Yugoslavia. Topola has the preconditions necessary for development of tourism industry. Historical and cultural monuments (Cultural Heritage of Serbia) exist: revolutionary and royal (town of Karađorđe), ecclesiastical (St. George's church, Nikolje monasteries). It is a wine region (Oplenac), and a large hunting ground Kamenica.

Topola is easy to reach from Belgrade bus station. All services needed for this project like police, medical help and other security structures are available in Topola.



Accommodation

Project covers 100% of accommodation and food costs. Participants will be accommodated in hotel 'Oplenac'. Hotel 'Oplenac' is located on the hill Oplenac, 500 meters from the center of Topola. Church St. George and the Mausoleum of the Karađorđević dynasty are located next to hotel 'Oplenac'. Hotel is located 80km from the capital of Serbia, Belgrade. Each room has private bathroom, wireless connection, high comfort and enviable hygiene.



Food

The provided food (3 meals a day) may differ from the food you are used to from home. However, we will try our best to accommodate your needs and dietary requirements. Please make sure, you indicate any special needs in the application form!

How to get from the Airport to the bus station in Belgrade?

From the airport you can take public bus 72 to Zeleni Venac (500 meters from the bus station). Ticket cost is 150 RSD (1.3 euro). You can buy ticket from the driver.

Alternative transport is by A1 mini bus. In front of arrivals take mini-bus A1 going every 20 minutes toward Main bus and train stations. Timetable and map are on the link: http://www.beg.aero/upload/a1_mapa_i_red_voznje.pdf

Price of ticket is 300 RSD (approximately 2.5 EUR and it is sold by the bus driver) Main Belgrade bus station is on the first stop of A1 after bridge over Sava river.

Please exchange some EUR to RSD in arrival hall of the airport on right hand side after Customs check point

How to get from Belgrade to Topola by bus?

Buses from Belgrade to Topola depart every few hours.

There are only 9 bus departures per day from Belgrade. Last one is at 21:30hrs.

Departure	Arrival	Return ticket	Platform	Km	Start station	Via	Carrier
09:00	10:45	-	12	80	BEOGRAD	TOPOLE, KRAGUJEVCA, KRALJEVA I RAŠKE	SANDŽAKTRANS NP
10:05	11:20	YES	17	77	BEOGRAD	EKSPRES	JANJUŠEVIĆ PUPD
11:55	13:15	-	14	80	BEOGRAD	TOPOLE I KRALJEVA	MAXIBUS
13:00	14:18	YES	12	80	BEOGRAD	MLADENOVCA I TOPOLE	JANJUŠEVIĆ PRIBO
16:00	17:23	YES	12	80	BEOGRAD	TOPOLE I NATALINACA	JANJUŠEVIĆ PRIBO
17:45	19:00	-	11	77	BEOGRAD	TOPOLE	JOE TRAVEL
18:30	19:48	YES	12	80	BEOGRAD	MLADENOVCA I TOPOLE	JANJUŠEVIĆ PRIBO
20:30	22:00	YES	11	83	BEOGRAD	MLADENOVCA I TOPOLE	AUTO KODEKS
21:30	22:45	YES	21	77	BEOGRAD	TOPOLE	JANJUŠEVIĆ PUPD

Finances

The training course is implemented by support of the European Commission programme ERASMUS+ and the German National Agency. Travel Expenses (according to Erasmus+ guidelines), accommodation, food and planned activities will be covered by the project budget. We will reimburse travel costs as listed below on the basis of the *cheapest* possibilities, e.g. second class railway tickets, APEX-flights etc. by bank transfer after the training and the receipt of all ORIGINAL tickets, bills, invoices, receipts, boarding tags/cards etc. Following the guide lines of the Erasmus + programme the travel back must be realised by the participants on direct way within maximum 2 days. In case of longer stays or indirect travelling (holiday travel etc.) there is no chance of reimbursement of travel costs. Missing tickets will not be reimbursed. Please, keep the original tickets in order to get money back.

Maximum travel costs for each participant is from home town to Topola (Serbia) and back:

Country	Number of persons	Costs per person
Germany	8	275.00
Serbia	8	0.00
Bosnia and Herzegovina	8	180.00
Kosovo* UN Resolution	8	180.00
FYROM	8	180.00
Spain	8	275.00

IMPORTANT: PLEASE KEEP ALL YOUR ORIGINAL TRAVEL INVOICES AND BOARDING PASSES.

What to bring?

Insurance - Travel Insurance

For participants from EU countries we strongly recommend you to check if the European Health Insurance is available in Serbia. From previous experience we know that not all countries are covered in Serbia

- **About your NGO** - During the project will be a informal opportunities to present your NGOs' work. We fully encourage you to bring as much – relevant – materials as possible. Very useful is:
 - To bring information in English language about your organization
 - To bring other relevant information about your previous international projects you have organized
 - To bring pictures, posters, leaflets and booklets of your NGO related to independent living
- To bring necessary things for representing your country, because we will have **intercultural evenings** and this mean that you will have your own space (around 15 min) to present your traditions, cultures or whatever you think represent your country to whole group. Try to make something interactive for people, make them participate, try to show culture but please, don't play long videos from Youtube because this is something we can do at home, we would like to really experience your country in live ;-)
- And for sure, don't forget to bring food & drinks from your countries!!
- **Good Mood** 😊

Some technical suggestions

- In the room there is only one socket, if you have a home, bring with you a plug with more sockets.
- Internet in hotel is slow and not works always. If you need to be constantly online please, bring with you internet connection or ones more think if this is place where you can spend 7 days without constant internet.

Money

The domestic currency is the RSD (Dinar). The dinar exchange rate in relation to the euro is constantly changing. You can exchange money in any bank, and exchange office too. Before Seminar we will inform you about the dinar exchange rate. (Exchange office we have at the airport and bus station. Dinar will you be required to purchase bus tickets.)

General Travel Information - important, please read!

The organisers will reimburse of your travel costs from your home city to Topola and back. Organisers will reimburse 100% of eligible travel costs *up to the limit*. Reimbursement of travel costs will only be done upon full attendance in the training programme and presentation of the original tickets with boarding passes and receipt/invoices. Missing tickets will not be reimbursed. Reimbursement will be done via bank transfer, after project report is approved. Money transfer will be in EURO, regardless of the currency indicated on your ticket and receipt/invoice.

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http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/inforeuro/index_en.cfm

If you have any questions concerning your participation or need additional information please feel free to contact us anytime !!!

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SEE YOU SOON IN TOPOLA 😊