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CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

International training

«Volunteering go for better world»

**EU «Youth in Action»
Action 3.1**

**March 21– March 29, 2014
Yerevan, Armenia**

Hosting organisation:	Republican Headquarters of Student Brigades – Voluntary Service of Armenia (HUJ)
Dates:	21 March - 29 March (21 March – arrival day; 29 March – departure day)
Venue:	‘Vienda’ guest house, Yerevan
Number of participants:	1-4 from each organization
Deadline for Applications:	14 February
Age of participants:	18 +
Working language:	English

Conditions:

- **Accommodation and food** - 100 % for the duration of the event are provided.
- **Travel costs** - 70% of the international travel costs will be reimbursed during several days after receiving all original tickets/boarding passes (both ways)/invoices.

➤ **Please, contact us BEFORE buying the tickets!**

- **Visa costs** – Visa-free regime for EU and CIA citizens
- **Participation fee** – no additional fees

Travel costs reimbursement

Country	Maximum Amount (in Euros) for travel cost per country		
	70% of the below mentioned sum will be reimbursed		
Lithuania	450	€	315.00
France	450	€	315.00
Italy	450	€	315.00
Germany	450	€	315.00
Estonia	450	€	315.00
Moldova	450	€	315.00
Ukraine	450	€	315.00
Belarus	450	€	315.00
Georgia	100	€	70.00

Distribution of participants according to countries and organizations:

Country of residence	Promoter	Number of participants	Backup participants
Italy	Lunaria	4	1
Italy	Legambiente	1	-
Italy	YAP	1	-
Lithuania	Deineta	3	1
France	Jeunesse et Réconstruction	4	1
France	Concordia	1	-
France	SJ	1	-
Estonia	ESTYES	3	1
Germany	IBG	3	1
Moldova	ADVIT	3	1
Moldova	MilleniuM	3	1
Ukraine	Alternative-V	2	1
Ukraine	Union Forum	2	1
Belarus	LYVS	2	1
Georgia	GYF	1	-
Georgia	RICDOG	1	-

Project Description:

The main theme of the training course is the volunteering and its impact on the society as the major force craving the world to be a better place. It will show the ways of volunteering and discuss their important input on the above checked themes.

The training course will gather the participants from both sides of EU border, who will exchange their opinion, concerns and experience in voluntary work, same for all. This will make them realize the similarity and overlapping of the fundamental value system in EECA countries and in EU countries.

The discussions will lead the participants to better realizing their role as volunteers, thus as active citizens of their countries, Europe and world in general. They will see that the future of the world, and Europe in particular, is up to youth to create and that it's up to them to nurture the prosperity and development and to make the world a better place.

All this will enable them to protect the fundamental principles and value system, to stand up for their freedoms and rights and to make sure that everyone is treated equally and with dignity - the ideas that the voluntary movement stands for.

Objectives:

The main objective of this project is to motivate youth to be more active members of the society.

The training's objectives relate to the following priorities of Youth in Action:

- Cultural Diversity: The participants gathered from different countries of EU and EECA might have different worldview, thus this project will increase their cultural sensitivity and encourage the multicultural exchange and awareness.
- Participation of young people: the project aims to motivate the youth to use their potential to make the world a better place, to be active in their local community and in general, to promote the values tangled in the training course.
- Inclusion: It is essential to make the project equally accessible to everyone making their motivation the main factor for the selection.
- Creativity and Entrepreneurship: This project will motivate youth to be more creative in voluntary projects and to initiate them having the goal of development and prosperity.

Working methods:

The sessions will be held concerning the different fields of volunteering: cultural, environmental. It will discuss the reciprocal impact of volunteering with the society, its use as a tool for inclusion.

Sessions will raise participants' awareness of Europe and the wonders of voluntary world, its benefit for the people it is done for and for the people it is done by.

Profile of the participants and recruitment procedure:

We are looking for participants who are familiar with defined topics of the training and are interested in developing this sphere.

To take part in this training, please fill in the attached application form and send it by e-mail to incoming@huj.am.

VENUE: The training will take place at “Vienda” Guest house, Yerevan, Armenia.

Description: 4 storey guest house with a nice garden in the centre of Yerevan.

CULTURAL PROGRAM:

- Welcome Party
- Brandy Company /excursion and degustation/
- Geghard rock-cut Monastery
- Garni Pagan Temple
- Participation in the concert of Armenian folk instruments ensemble
- Armenian dancing lessons
- Intercultural Evening
- Tour in the center of Yerevan /on foot/, visit to Vernissage, open air grand market of souvenirs
- Farewell party

If you have any additional questions, please, don't hesitate to contact training coordinator:

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