



Youth exchange

"VIDEMOCRACY"

Dojran, 22 – 30 August 2019

Dear participants to the Youth Exchange „VIDEMOCRACY“,

We are glad to welcome you soon in Dojran for the "VIDEMOCRACY". For you to prepare yourself on all levels – mentally, emotionally and logistically – for this gathering we have put together a number of informations for you:

Short summary

The project „VIDEMOCRACY“ aims at raising the capacities of the consortium providing space, tools and opportunities for youth workers to explore, analyze and promote active participation and democratic citizenship for youth through interactive multimedia and creative tools.

The project aims to support the professional development of youth workers and youth leaders on their critical understanding of democracy, active citizenship and European Citizenship. It explores and makes participants experience its potential by enabling them to recognize and integrate fundamental concepts such as building the democracy, active participation and European Citizenship in their youth work.

Methodology

The methodology used to conduct the whole project implementation will be based on non-formal education and learning by doing approach. The non-formal environment will create safe space where will not only learn about the topics covered but also acquire other soft skills such as teamwork, public speaking skills, negotiation, non-violent communication, inter cultural communications which are essential competence in today's European youth work. The working methodology shall include communication based methods (interaction, dialogue, open discussions), activity based methods (sharing experience, practice and experimentation), socially focused methods (partnerships, teamwork, networking) and self directing methods (creativity, discovery, responsibility, action). Interactive methods and exercises will be used to make the participants the actors and reactors of this learning opportunity.

Participants profile



- ❖ Participants older than 18 years old
- ❖ Participants that can speak English
- ❖ Participants that are motivated and will fully participate during the activity
- ❖ Participants that have experience on the Project Topic (have participated in previous Democracy topic projects, youth workers familiar with the topic)
- ❖ Participants that were part of the previous activities of the project.

What should you know about the location?

- ✓ Dojran is a small town located in the southern part of North Macedonia. From Skopje to Dojran travel lasts around 3 hour by bus (see the bus time table for busses going from Skopje to Dojran).
- ✓ The hotel is situated 15 minutes out of city center with a view to the city and the lake. Hotel Vila Marija, address: ul. Ilindenska bb, Dojran
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- ✓ Be prepared to be accommodated with 3 OR 4 person(s) in the room of the same sex. Each room is equipped with bathroom, air conditioning, TV, mini bar. There are also towels and bed linen.
- ✓ Meals are served in the hotel restaurant.
- ✓ Our working room is on the ground floor.



PLEASE LET US

KNOW IF ANY OF YOU IS VEGETARIAN, OR YOU NEED ANY HELP OR ASSISTANCE, SO WE CAN PROVIDE IT IN ADVANCE.

How to get there and when?



- ✓ For those coming by plane the best and the cheapest flight connections to Skopje are via Istanbul (Turkish airlines or Pegasus).
- ✓ Please not that the last bus from Skopje to Dojran is at 16:00. In case you arrive later, you can take a bus from Skopje going to Gjevgjelija (at 18:00) or Strumica (bus at 18:00, 19:00 and 20:30) and from there to go by taxi or we can organize a pick up for you.
- ✓ From Skopje International Airport, take a bus to Skopje Center. The bus ticket costs 180 MKD (you can purchase the ticket only in denars). You can buy ticket in the bus. Bus company VARDAR EXPRESS. You can get the bus in from of the Airport, on the bus stop (after going through the EXIT door from the Airport building). Once in the bus, you will need to get off at the International bus station. From there take a bus to Dojran.
- ✓ Before buying bus ticket from the Airport, you need to exchange money. You can do it in the Post office or the Banks located at the Airport. There are also plenty of ATM's at the Airport.
- ✓ The time table of the buses going to Skopje from Skopje Airport can be found on the following link- <http://skp.airports.com.mk/BusTransportPopUp.aspx?l=2&t=1>
- ✓ The time table of the buses going to Dojran:



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14:00:00	17:55:00	DOJARAN	RULE TURS	530.00	780.00	↗
16:00:00	19:55:00	DOJARAN	RULE TURS	530.00	780.00	↗

- ✓ The price of single one way ticket Skopje-Shtip is 530 denars. There's exchange office in the bus station.
- ✓ Once at Dojran, you can walk uphill to the hotel, or take a taxi. The hotel is 15 min walk from the bus station.

What you should prepare in advance?

- ✓ Please prepare a short description of your organization in English for the NGO fair.
- ✓ Please prepare a presentation about country realities based on the concept of Democracy.
- ✓ Please bring some typical food, drink, national specialties, songs, instruments, brochures etc. to present your culture for the rest of the group. We will have an intercultural evening during the youth exchange.
- ✓ Good mood and enthusiasm.

What more should you bring with you?

- ✓ Comfortable clothes since some of the activities will be outdoors
- ✓ Personal care (shampoo, flip-flops, hair dryer, beach towel, etc.)
- ✓ Camera, lap-tops
- ✓ Traditional food for the intercultural evening
- ✓ Promotional materials for the NGO night

Health insurance

Health insurance is not provided by the coordinators or the hosting organization. All the participants are required to purchase health insurance individually.

Regarding the prices in North Macedonia:

- 1 euro = 61.3 denars (Macedonian money). You could bring euro or dollars with you and can change in denars. There are exchange offices and banks in city that are functioning till 20.00 o'clock in evening. .
- In the city a beer costs 100 denars, a coffee 80 denars, coca-cola 90 denars.

Weather

Usually in this time of the year it's a very warm in North Macedonia. So according to the weather web sites the maximum should be 35°C during the day and minimum 15°C during the night. Anyway it's still better if you bring warm jacket or something warmer for the night in case if it gets colder.

NOTE!!! Please keep all the boarding passes and tickets in order to get reimbursed.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to write to dervishisilvia@gmail.com

No. of pax	Sending organization	Country	Total amount per group
6	Better Life in Kosovo	Prishtina, Kosovo	1,080.00
6	Association "Youth Volunteers"	Visoko, Bosnia and herzegovina	1,080.00
6	Udruzenje Svetlost	Sabac, Serbia	1,080.00
6	Minority Leaders for Society	Stip, North Macedonia	0.00
6	Mladezhko evropeisko obshtestvo	Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria	120.00
6	Art Kontakt	Tirana, Albania	1,260.00
6	Bolu Youth Association	Bolu, Turkey	1,650.00