



YOUTH EXCHANGE “CO4CA Communication for community action” 15th – 26th June 2016, Ödemiş (Turkey)

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

CEIPES Turkey is hosting the Youth Exchange “CO4CA Communication for Community Action” in Odemis from 15th to 26th of June with 10 days of activities plus 2 travel days. The youth exchange will gather 32 young people from 6 organizations from the following countries(5 participants + 1 group leader from each organization): Turkey, Poland, Italy, Romania, Hungary, Greece.

This project starts from the idea that young people are a major human resource for development and key agents for social change and democratic advancement of the society. Participation in decision-making processes and in local actions for community development is a key priority area of the European Union agenda on youth and of many other institutions. However, the importance of support for citizenship learning in civil society is not sufficiently recognized, and this area is generally under-resourced. The people who suffer most from this are those most vulnerable to social exclusion. With this activity CEIPES network believes this trend can be changed.

Participants will be constituted by young people from 18 up to 30 years old, including disadvantaged youth with fewer opportunities, motivated to act as community developers and act as agents of change in the society.

The main aim of the project is to bring a change to local communities through the realization of projects coming from the initiative of youngsters, who will use social media as main tools.

Specific objectives:

- To involve youngsters through peer-to-peer, non-formal education and learning by doing methodologies, fostering their capacity to cooperate and to work in a multicultural environment.

- To empower and motivate young women and men, make them aware of their strengths and supporting them in making changes within their neighborhood or town.
- To involve youth in planning and implementing a communication campaign that can bring a change in the society;

The program of the YE is planned to give the participants the necessary tools to develop their competences in analyzing the needs of the community and to create a social campaign that can contribute to bring a change in the neighborhood. All the activities will be based on non-formal methods and focused on active participation: the participants will be invited to actively experiment alternative behaviors and gain their own awareness of active citizenship: this way they will be able to act as multipliers of these principles and actions in their territories. Art, dances, visits, role plays and team works will be used in order to take into consideration all the learning needs and approaches of the participants and give them the chance to express themselves in different ways. Most of the workshops will see the involvement of the local community at different levels and referring to different generations: children, adults and older people.

The YE will have a great impact on the whole population of Ödemiş. Besides, the final product constituted by a social campaign realized by the same participants, will reach a high number of citizens, in Turkey and in Europe. All the involved group to the YE, once will be back in their own countries, will be supported by CEIPES and their sending organizations, to look at their neighborhoods and to realize a small project for their developments using social media. Besides, it is known that the skills and knowledge that active citizens develop in one area are frequently transferred into other areas, so all the competences gained during the project will be used by the participants to grow up at personal and professional level in other fields.

This project will finally allow young people to hope in the future, to foster an open-mind towards other cultures and to feel European citizen thanks to the belonging to a strong and diversified network at European level.

INVOLVED ORGANIZATIONS

CEIPES TURKEY – TURKEY

IAiRS - POLAND

CEIPES – ITALY

CREATIN – ROMANIA

CEIPES HUNGARY – HUNGARY

CEIPES GREECE – GREECE

LOGISTIC INFORMATION

HOW TO REACH ÖDEMiŞ

The closest airport is the **Izmir Adnan Menderes Airport**. The easiest way from Izmir airport to Ödemiş city centre is travelling **by train**. There are trains between Izmir and Ödemiş passing through the airport. It takes around 2 hours.

Timetable:

İzmir (Basmane) - Ödemiş	
From İzmir Adnan Menderes Airport to Ödemiş	From Ödemiş to İzmir
06:41	05:20
09:47	07:00
12:46	08:45
15:35	12:05
17:33	14:50
20:48	*17:50
*22:25	*19:55

* signed railway services are only for Fridays, Sundays and national holidays.

BUS FROM İZMİR TO ÖDEMiŞ

In the case your arrival time is not suitable with this timetable, there also also buses from İzmir centre to Odemis, but in this case you first need to go from İzmir airport to İzmir bus station.

From İzmir “Adnan Menderes” Airport to Gaziemir Bus Terminal – İzmir Otogar (İzmir bus station):

take ESHOT bus number 204 with route name “İzotaş (Bornova - metro - otogar) havalimanı”, cost: 3 tl.

From Gaziemir Bus Terminal – İzmir Otogar (İzmir bus station) to Odemis bus station:

When you arrive to İzmir bus station just ask for Odemis buses. The distance is 89 km and it takes approximately one and a half hour. Bus timetable starts at 05:00, there is a bus in every half and

hour until 21:00. Bus ticket costs 15 tl and you can find the bus timetable below:

<https://www.neredenneye.com/bus-ticket/izmir-odemis/?pids=458.468&departuredate=2016-06-15>

In the case more people are arriving at the same time at the airport, we may arrange a bus shuttle from the airport to the hotel.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS & TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

The travel costs will be reimbursed within the maximum amounts established by European Commission for each participant, as following:

Poland, Romania, Greece, Hungary, Italy: 170€

Travel days for youth exchange are 15th and 26th of June.

- In case some participants want to arrive earlier or stay longer in Odemis, they have to arrange accommodation somewhere else at their own expenses.
- According to the Turkish National Agency travel reimbursement’ policy, it is not possible to arrive in Turkey more than one day before the beginning of the activities and is not possible to stay more than one day after the end of the them. If you have

difficulties in finding suitable tickets we can ask to the Agency permission to travel in different dates.

Financial conditions:

- Food and accommodation will be covered for the entire project 100%.
- We will reimburse 100% of travel costs within the maximum amount covered by Turkish National Agency (170€).

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