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Youth Exchange TURN ON THE BRAIN AND GO CIRCULAR!

31. July – 08. August 2021 JAZAK, SERBIA





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WELCOME ON YOUTH EXCHANGE (YE) TURN THE BRAIN ON AND GO CIRCULAR!

About the project

Waste generation is a critical problem all around the globe, even in most developed countries in European Union. There are significant disparities in terms of municipal waste generation between countries, which is affected by economic development of country. We are witnessing enormous problem with poor resource management. A new model, circular economy is presented as a solution.

Many world capitals do not treat waste water from homes and spill it directly to the rivers, seas, oceans. About 80% of the world's wastewater is discharged without any treatment at all¹. Apart from wastewater problems, demands for commodities are increasing with development and rising number of people on planet, leaving enormous quantities of waste in process. According to the statistics of world bank, world generate around 2.01 billion tons of municipal solid waste annually of which around 35-40% is not managed in an environmentally safe manner.

That means waste is stored improperly or not controlled at all, putting our environment and health at risk. Organic waste, and especially food waste has great impact on carbon footprint. Global food lost and waste generate around 4.4 Giga tons of CO₂ which is around 8% of total greenhouse gas emissions², and equals with 87% of the global road transport emissions³. If food waste is a country, it would be number 3 in greenhouse gas emissions, right after China and USA⁴. According to FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) market value of food lost in 2012 was 936 billion US dollars, which is in range with GDP of countries like Indonesia or Netherlands.

"Turn on the brain and do circular!" is a youth exchange organized by EEG in partnership with Eutopia (Croatia), GEYC (Romania), No Excuse! (Slovenia) and Volunteers Centre Skopje (North Macedonia). More about us on the following link <https://www.activity4sustainability.org/>

Youth exchange will take place in a small village Jazak located on slopes of the National Park Fruska Gora mountain in north part of Serbia from 31.07-08.08.2021. In order to learn more about circular economy and find solutions for prevention of waste generation and present it to their peers, 30 young people from 5 countries, North Macedonia, Romania, Croatia, Slovenia and Serbia, will gather in CERUDA (Center for rural development and applied learning) and work their way toward mutual sustainable future.

Youth exchange aims to draw the attention of young people to the growing problem of environmental pollution by waste that we altogether generate, and thus affect the degradation of the quality of land, air, water and human health directly and indirectly and present an alternative in circular economy. It will focus on prevention of making waste as an easy step toward sustainable and healthy life, and promotion of European values. The youth exchange will increase participants' awareness about other cultures, nations and habits. They will also improve English language skills by working in international environment. Each national group will include participants with fewer opportunities, some of them might leave their country for the first time. After the youth exchange young participants will share their experience about Erasmus+ programme and Youth Exchange with their peers.

¹ The United Nations World Water Development Report 2017

² EC, JRC/PBL, 2012 Emission Database for Global Atmospheric Research, version 4.2

³ IPCC, 2014 Fifth Assessment Report. Chapter 8: Transportation

⁴ CAIT, 2015. Climate Data Explorer. World Resources Institute



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The venue, Jazak, Serbia

Youth Exchange will be organized in Center for rural development and applied learning – CERUDA <http://www.ceruda.org>, in village Jazak on the Fruška Gora mountain in Vojvodina, north part of Serbia.

The village of Jazak is situated on the southern slopes of the mountain ridge of Fruška Gora, 30 km from Novi Sad and 60 km from Belgrade airport. Jazak is small village with around 800 inhabitants. We choose this venue because of the possibility to work in the open space with the adequate respect of the epidemiological measure's which will guarantee safety of all the participants.

More info about CERUDA you will find on <http://www.ceruda.org/>, about Jazak on <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jazak> and about Novi Sad on https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Novi_Sad

Accommodation, food, work and safety

According to the rules of Erasmus+ Programme we will cover 100% of food and accommodation costs. **There is no participation fee for youth exchange.** But active participation in all activities is obligatory for all participants and youth leaders.

Participants will be accommodated in CERUDA and holiday home “Jazacka bajka”, which is 50 meters from working place in CERUDA. The capacity of the accommodation is:

Holiday home “Jazacka bajka”- There are 3 bungalows. Two bungalows with 5 beds and one bungalow with 4 beds. Totally in holiday home “Jazacka bajka” 14 participants will be hosted. Each room has a bathroom.

CERUDA – There are 3 rooms in CERUDA centre. One room with 4 beds and two rooms with 6 beds. In total, 16 participants will be hosted in CERUDA centre. Each room has a bathroom.

Breakfast will be served in the CERUDA centre kitchen as a buffe. There will also be a possibility for eating outside on the terrace for every meal. Catering will everyday bring fresh and prepared food for lunch and dinner. Food will be prepared locally and part of responsibility for food preparation will be on participants during their national evenings.

We will work in premises of CERUDA but also, we will have activities outside. **Bring shoes and clothing for work outside in nature, walking in nature and sports activities. We expect nice weather but nights in Jazak can be cold so please bring some jacket or sweater. Mosquito repellent is also recommended.**

Measures for safety of the participants will be in terms of maintain social distance, wearing masks in the common rooms, disinfection barrier in front of the common room as well as the disinfection in all the common rooms in order to maintain high level of hygiene and maximally decrease the possibility of the infection of the participants. To conclude, common rooms will be daily ventilated and disinfected.



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DAILY PROGRAMME
Youth Exchange - "Turn on the Brain and Go Circular!"
31.July – 08. August 2021. Jazak, Serbia

	31. 07. 2021. Saturday	01. 08. 2021. Sunday	02. 08. 2021. Monday	03. 08. 2021. Tuesday	04. 08. 2021. Wednesday
08:00 – 09:30	Arrival of participants	BREAKFAST			
09:30 – 13:00		Creating group rules. Erasmus + presentation. Presentation of Youth Pass and Key Learning competences	Linear vs circular	Energy efficiency	6 R's of sustainability
13:00 – 15:00	LUNCH				
15:00 – 18:30	Presenting program and introducing of participants. Expectations from this youth exchange.	Team building	Energy efficiency of my home	Water and circular economy	6 R's from participants' eyes
18:30 - 19:00		Reflection Time and Youth leaders meeting			
19:00 – 20:00	DINNER				
21:30 – 23:00	Welcome party	Croatia cultural night	Movie night	Slovenia cultural night	North Macedonia cultural night

	05. 08. 2021. Thursday	06. 08. 2021. Friday	07. 08. 2021. Saturday	08. 08. 2021. Sunday
08:00 – 09:30	BREAKFAST			
09:30 – 13:00	Visiting Novi Sad and it's historical and cultural monuments	Preparation of online activity	Follow up activities	Evaluation of youth exchange and participants wrapping up
13:00 – 15:00	LUNCH			
15:00 – 18:30	Visiting Novi Sad and its historical and cultural monuments	Online conference	Follow up activities	Departure of participants
18:30-19:00	Reflection Time and Youth leaders meeting			
19:00 – 20:00	DINNER			
21:30 – 23:00	Romania cultural night	Serbia cultural night	Farewell party	



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Youth exchange will be lead and implement by participant and youth leaders. Every group will be responsible for preparing and lead part of youth exchange. Detail arrangements will be made between youth leaders when group leaders and participants are selected by partner organizations. Each partner organization have a task to prepare their youth leader and participants for youth exchange and help them organize they travel in order to arrive safely and on time.

Every country group will have a task to present its country to the other participants during the YE. Time for presenting every county will be during the Intercultural nights. **As a part of preparatory activities before youth exchange, participants will have a task to prepare a short presentation about energy efficiency of their homes.** They will get a prepared form to fill in, which will contain questions about efficiency of their home including materials used for building, appliances for saving water or electricity, etc. which will be presented and discussed with other participants on youth exchange.

For Intercultural nights we expect that you present to the other participants why people in your country are special and what are facts about your country that we need to know. Also, you can bring some traditional food and drinks to present to others. Each team will have up to 30 minutes to present its country to others. Use your imagination, knowledge and creativity and make it interesting and funny. National clothes, music, flags and other things are more than welcomed! 😊

Travel

Each project partner is responsible for organization of travel for its group. Money for travel cost will be refund to project partner organizations after the youth exchange and after Environment Engineering Group (EEG) as hosting organization receive all tickets and boarding passes. If some ticket / boarding pass is not sent back to EEG or it is lost we will not be in position to refund travel cost, because of strict rules of donor.

Please keep all of your tickets!

We expect you to come in Center for rural development and applied learning in Jazak on 31.07.2021. until 15 o'clock. <https://goo.gl/maps/PuhDUFsTLGnzMSP3A>

Travel cost will be payed after youth exchange to partner organization via bank transfer based on contract with partner organization, copy of tickets and real travel cost for participant on youth exchange.

Maximum travel cost

Partner organization	Number of participant	MAXIMUM reimbursement for travel cost in EUR
Volonterski centar Skopje (Macedonia)	6	1080 (180 EUR/PER PARTICIPANT)
Eutopia (Croatia)	6	1080 (180 EUR/PER PARTICIPANT)
No Excuse! (Slovenia)	6	1080 (180 EUR/PER PARTICIPANT)
Group of the European Youth of Change (Romania)	6	1080 (180 EUR/PER PARTICIPANT)



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How to reach Jazak

From the Airport “Nikola Tesla” and main bus station in Belgrade

If you are coming to Serbia by plane you will come on Belgrade airport “Nikola Tesla” from where you have bus lines to the centre of Belgrade near main bus station. The price for bus line A1 is 300din (around 2,5 euro).

From main bus station in Belgrade, you need to take bus to Novi Sad or to Ruma.

Novi Sad is the second biggest city in Serbia, so the departures from Belgrade main bus station are pretty often. Here you can find the list of departures:

<https://www.polazak.rs/sr/red-voznje/Beograd-RS/Novi-Sad-RS/31.07.2021./00:00/>

Ruma is town next to Jazak (15 km) and from there we will pick you up and bring to Jazak.

<https://www.balkanviator.com/en/bus-timetables/belgrade-srb/ruma-srb/31.07.2021-08.08.2021>

For more information how to reach main bus/train stations in Belgrade

https://www.beg.aero/eng/parking_access/transport/public_transportation

Important to know: If you are planning to come to Novi Sad from Belgrade by train, we must inform you that the train line Belgrade – Novi Sad is not available at the moment since there are construction repairs that are enabling this line to be at the service to the citizens in Serbia.

If you have any question regarding transport, please contact Lidija Pribelja by SMS or Viber +381 63 17 69 856, lidija@activity4sustainability.org or send mail to organization izzsns@gmail.com

Arrival of participants

ALL PARTICIPANTS NEED TO BE IN JAZAK ON 31.07.2021. at 15:00!

If you cannot reach Jazak until 15:00 at 31.07.2021. please let us know.

Departure of participants

ALL PARTICIPANTS NEED TO PARTICIPATE IN LAST SESION ON 08.08.2021. until 13:00!!!

Plan your departure from Jazak for 08.08.2021. after 13:00. If you cannot organize your departure for 25.07.2021. after 13:00, please let us know.

Money

The domestic currency is the RSD (dinar). The dinar has a floating exchange rate to Euro (rate 1€ = 117 dinars – approximately). You can exchange money in exchange office. There are also ATMs in lot of banks in city of Belgrade and Novi Sad, but not in village of Jazak. But if you need to exchange money in Jazak don't worry we will help you to do it. All things you want to buy is possible to pay only in dinars so be sure to have always some with you. Since you can use only the dinars for payment in Serbia, we highly recommend you to exchange the money in the exchange office as soon as you arrive. 😊



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Don't forget

All application forms need to be sent to: lidija@activity4sustainability.org by **9th of July 2021**.

ALL PARTICIPANT NEED TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL ACTIVITIES PLAN IN PROGRAM :-)

Best regards and see you soon,
Environment Engineering Group TEAM