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*Networking for
solidarity!*

7-14.4.2019

Kokkola,

Finland

Dear Participant,

Through the following pages, we have gathered the information you need to know about the seminar and about your journey to Finland. We wish you all welcome to Inari to have a great time together!

General information

Networking for future seminar will be held in Kokkola 7-14.4.2019. The seminar will be attended by 17 participants from 7 countries.

During the meeting we discuss with our partners about the new Solidarity corps program and how we can develop our own work and services through the new activities the program offers. At the time of the meeting, many partners have started solidarity projects, and during the seminar, the idea is to exchange information and experiences on how projects have started, what kind of things to think and what works well. During the meeting we also discuss solidarity as a theme: what it means to us at the organization level and what network.

The aim of the meeting is to develop the expertise of the organizations involved in the Solidarity Agendas program, to sharpen the cooperation patterns and to establish a consensus on what solidarity means in our cooperation and projects. Working methods include group work, discussion sessions, project presentations as well as expert referrals.

The project responds to the Erasmus + program's objective of developing the quality of youth work and improving cooperation in the youth field. In the network, knowledge and experience are a valuable asset for the actors, and by sharing, networking can be developed and cooperation can be strengthened, and so we can offer young people more high-quality projects.

Background information about Villa Elba

Villa Elba is a National Youth Centre supported and observed by the Ministry of Education. We are specialised in youth work and our function is to develop the methods used in the field of youth work, to act as a centre for furthering the skills of the youth, and enable young people's travelling domestically and abroad. The centres are run under the Finnish law covering youth work and by the Ministry of Education. In international work, our goal is to offer youngsters the possibilities of learning in multicultural environment and finding their own strengths and abilities through international activity. Our work consists of international camps and programs, education, practical training and voluntary work for young people, information and guidance about international programmes, projects and EVS co-ordination for hosting organisations.

Details

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Travel compensation and financial conditions

Partner	Country	Number of participants	Travel grant per participant
System and Generation Association S&G	Turkey	2	360.00 EUR
EURO-NET	Italy	2	360.00 EUR
CENTRUM VOLNEHO CASU STROJARENSKA	Slovakia	2	275.00 EUR
Haus der offenen Tür	Germany	2	275.00 EUR
TIMIS COUNTY YOUTH FOUNDATION	Romany	2	360.00 EUR
Támaszpont Mentálhigiénés Oktatási és Prevenációs Közhasznú Alapítvány	Hungary	3	275.00 EUR

Reimbursement

The reimbursement of travel costs will be done through bank transfer after receiving all the travel documents, boarding passes etc. Villa Elba has not the possibility to make any reimbursements by cash.

Please notice that reimbursement will done after the participant has submitted the final report in the mobility tool!

Practical issues

- Accommodation** is organized in Youth Centre Villa Elba in our cottages for 4-8 persons. Towel and bed linen are included, so there is no need to bring them along.
- Meals:** We serve breakfast, lunch, coffee break, dinner and evening snack. Inform about your special diets and allergies in the registration form. The kitchen in Elba makes special food only for those who order it, and that is why it is not possible to choose between vegetarian and other dishes. You must cover extra coffee, drinks or snacks.
- Internet and tel.:** Participants have the possibility to use Internet free at Villa Elba. We also have a wireless Internet connection in the main building.
- Alcohol & smoking:** Smoking is allowed only during free time but only at the smoking area. We do not sell either cigarettes or alcohol at the centre. Drinking alcohol in public areas in Villa Elba is not allowed.
- Preparations:** All the participants should bring something for the international evening about their country and culture. It is not possible to cook in Villa Elba.
Partners with good practices are welcome to share it during the seminar. Please also be prepared to present your organisation briefly.
- What to bring along:** personal items: hygiene products, medication, insect repellents, swimming suit (optional for the sauna, comfortable clothes and shoes for outdoor activities)
- Weather:** Please check: <http://www.foreca.fi/Finland/Kokkola?frontpage>
- Registration form:** Each participant should fill in the registration form. Participants should fill on line registration form in following address:
<https://link.webropolsurveys.com/S/5A6C84F580A193E4>

City of Kokkola



Kokkola, with a population of around 46,000, is located in Central Ostrobothnia in Western Finland, on the coast of the Gulf of Bothnia. The city is the region's financial, administrative, educational and cultural epicenter, and was founded in 1620 by the Swedish king Gustav Adolf II. The municipality of Kaarlela was incorporated in 1977, and the municipalities of Kälviä, Lohtaja and Ullava in 2009.

For more information on Kokkola, visit:

<https://www.kokkola.fi>