

«YBB REGIONS -YOUTH AND BRUSSELS BASED» EU PROJECT

- PUBLIC NOTICE -

**LAUNCH OF SECOND YEAR OF ACTIVITIES (2015/2016)
YiA - Action 4.6 Partnerships, Call EACEA/06/2013**

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On the 15/05/2014 the KICK - OFF MEETING of “yBBregions - Youth and Brussels based” EU project was held at the Headquarter of the Abruzzo region in Brussels.

“yBBregions - Youth and Brussels based” is an European project initiated by the Abruzzo Region, in partnership with the regions of Dubrovnik-Neretva (Croatia), Lubuskie (Poland), and Prešov (Slovakia). The project was approved by the European Commission and is co- funded by the “Youth in Action” program.

It aims to give young people of those four regions a unique non-formal educational opportunity and will have effect from 1st May 2014 to 30th April 2016.

Over the 2 years duration the project will involve 80 young people, aged between 18 and 30 years. They will be sent to Brussels, in the offices of their respective regions, to perform some of the typical activities provided by the Youth in Action Programme, which funds the initiative.

First year of activities (2014/2015) ended on 5th May 2015, with end of the last placement foreseen for Year 1 (TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE SPRING 1, from 22th April until 5th May 2015);

Given all the above,

Please note that

REGISTRATIONS for Year II (Two) - 2015/2016 - of the project can be done on-line through the official website of the project: <http://www.ybbregions.eu.org/>

All the young people meeting the requirements referred to in section II. ELIGIBILITY below are invited to register on this website, providing the necessary information to evaluate, under their sole responsibility, the existing requirements.

The data provided by registrants will be used throughout all the duration of the project and, where suitable, also beyond, in order to select the beneficiaries of the placements (European Voluntary Service and Transnational Youth Exchanges), within the purposes of the project.

In particular, those who are registered on the site and are fulfilling the requirements will be invited to participate in the selections referred to in section III. SELECTIONS in relation to the specific needs and schedules.

Several tutorials (with english/french subtitles) about profile's registration/modification are available through the YouTube channel of the project: <http://www.youtube.com/yBBregions>

Then, based on the information provided above, the evaluation, set by **each region individually**, will proceed to sort and extract data, according to relevant keys for relevant fields for: a) general requirements b) eligibility c) motivation and further criteria, also based on "Europass" patterns (<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/it/documents/curriculum-vitae>).

In case of candidates with same points after the first evaluation step (*draw - Interview - etc.*: every region can choose their own specific and legal settings)

It is the responsibility of the registered users to keep the data-base updated with all relevant information concerning their profiles suitable for further evaluation and selection.

Every aspect concerning the admission to the selections relating to placements above will be handled in digital form, so as to ensure the utmost speed, objectivity and transparency.

The region is not liable for loss and/or inaccuracy by those entitled to provide their data through the platform above.

Please, bear in mind that it is not possible, for the same person, to benefit of more than one placement, even if under different conditions (European Voluntary Service or Transnational Youth Exchange)

I. CONTENTS

a) EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE

young beneficiaries will be joining the Brussels offices of the respective regions for periods of 13 weeks each. They will be interacting with each other and with the regional staff and dealing with the activities and initiatives of public interest concerning the participation of the regional dimension to the political and decision-making processes in Europe

b) TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE

young beneficiaries will carry out a two-week stay in Brussels, during which they will visit the main Institutions and meet with officials and personalities, interacting each other and with the regional staff on duties of each of the regions who are taking part in the project, where possible, dealing with the activities and initiatives of public interest concerning the participation of the regional dimension to the political and decision-making processes in Europe.

II. ELEGIBILITY

a) EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE

- Be aged 18 / 30 years;
- Be born in one of the towns of the Region, or be resident in one of the towns of the Region, or be student attending a course of studies at an Institution of education, including universities, within the region;
- Be both: employed or unemployed including those looking for their first job

b) TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE

- Be aged 18 /25 years
- Be born in one of the towns of the Region, or be resident in one of the towns of the Region, or be student attending a course of studies at an Institution, including universities, within the region;
- Be both employed or unemployed including those looking for their first job

The eligibility requirements listed above, declared under their own responsibility at the time of registration to the site, will be checked through the acquisition of any suitable document, certificate and certification by the competent Institutions.

In case of a negative finding, the region will proceed to replacements by inviting registered users to a new selection.

III. SELECTION

The selection will be carried out according to the traditional rules of the "Youth in Action" program. In particular, applicants will be selected against the following criteria: "*motivation, aspiration and interest to action, participation, debate, reflection, and exchange about social and active EU citizenship, entrepreneurship, EU policymaking, EU Institutions, Europe of the Regions*" as all those elements should be included in the "curriculum vitae", and background information.

Knowledge of at least one foreign language and - possibly - English will be considered in order to make it possible for volunteers/participants to interact smoothly between them and with the ones following at home through the web-platform and social media, by sharing and building-up upon their common interests, backgrounds and expectations.

IV. COVERAGE/REMOBURSEMENTS

The project will provide to all the young participants flight tickets, food, insurance, public transport and accommodation in Brussels. Only for EVS volunteers, also pocket-money will be provided.

V. PROGRAMME OF PLACEMENTS 2015/2016

Please note that the placements concerning the first-year of the project are established as follows:

- ✓ EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE GROUP, WINTER2 = N° 4 (four) placements (1 for Abruzzo Region, 1 for Dubrovnik- Neretva Region, 1 for Lubuskie Region and 1 for Presov Region) from 1° September until 30 November 2015
- ✓ TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE MULTILATERAL, WINTER2 = n. 16 (sixteen) placements (4 for Abruzzo Region, 4 for Dubrovnik- Neretva Region, 4 for Lubuskie Region and 4 for Presov Region) from 22 November until 6 December 2015
- ✓ EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE GROUP SPRING2 = N° 4 (four) placements (2 for Abruzzo Region, 1 for Lubuskie Region and 1 for Presov Region) from 17th January until 17 April 2016
- ✓ TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE MULTILATERAL, SPRING2 =n. 16 (sixteen) placements (4 for Abruzzo Region, 4 for Dubrovnik- Neretva Region, 4 for Lubuskie Region and 4 for Presov Region) from 10 April until 24 April 2016

Invitations to participate in the selection will be sent via e-mail to eligible registered users as of 15th May 2015

Made in the Region on _____ May 2015