culture as a tool for conflict resolution
The main aim of this project is to develop the professional skills of youth workers which enable them to promote values of tolerance and prevention of violence, to give a voice to marginalized youth and to enhance values of human rights, freedom and dialogue.

The objectives of the project are:

• Develop the capacities of youth workers in using the culture as a tool to build a system for intercultural dialogue and more effective mediation within their organisations and in their societies.
• Equip youth workers with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to effectively manage and turn around potentially harmful situations in a clear, assertive and constructive manner.
• Equip participants with conflict resolution strategies which they can use to reduce conflict and to reach peace and agreed solutions in today’s world.
• Raise awareness about the importance of tolerating and accepting the plurality of cultures and identity, as well as the nexus between peace-building and culture.
• Give a voice to young people belonging to marginalized communities, particularly from newly arrived migrants, in programming conflict resolution strategies.

Duration

7 days (including arrival and departure), from the 28nd of October till the 3rd of November 2019. Participants have to arrive to the project venue by 18:00 on 28 October and can leave only after breakfast on 3 November.

Participant’s profile

24 participants in total. 3 participants from 8 Programme Countries: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Portugal and Spain.

This project has been designed and developed to be addressed youth workers who want to learn to be mediators between actors in conflict resolution, to increase their cultural sensibility for conflict resolution and successful mediation. Thus, the training course is dedicated to a specific but also diverse target group concerning experience and backgrounds. In order to be eligible as a participant, it is necessary to be over 18 years old (no maximum limit) and legally resident in the country in which the sending organisation is registered.

Applicants with following backgrounds are welcomed but not limited to:
- Young civil society activists;
- Young practitioners in the field of conflict resolution and cultural policy;
- Youth educators (with a focus on peace education);
- Youth working in the cultural sphere (e.g. artists, writers, actors, musicians);
- The staff of NGOs and youth-led organisations working on similar topics (e.g. peace-building, conflict resolution, cultural diplomacy etc.);
- Students with a background in relevant disciplines and willing to pursue a career in peace-building and conflict resolution (e.g. conflict resolution, peace and security studies, international relations, political sciences etc.)

Participants who did not participate in more than two projects financed by EU are also welcomed! Priority will be given those between 18-30 years old.
Methods

The methods employed in the training course will be non-formal, participatory-based and needs-orientated. The trainers will use exercises amongst others from European training manuals such as Compass, T-Kit and Domino Pack developed by Council of Europe and the European Commission. Additionally, other methods will be used from the trainers’repertoire and their own toolkits.

How to prepare and what to bring?

Thematic preparation tasks:
- Research about European realities regarding conflict resolution and mediation;

Intercultural preparation task:
- The programme will include an international night for which we ask you to bring your local food, beverages, sweets and anything you think that might represent your culture/country. To celebrate and educate about the different cultures and nationalities present, national groups will be given 10 minutes each to present their countries through culture.

Accommodation and meals

The training course will take place in Hotel Amadeus in Budapest, Hungary. The hotel is located 20 minutes from the city centre. Address: Fogarasi út 123, Budapest 1141 Hungary. http://www.hotelamadeus.hu

In the hotel, 2 or 3 participants of the same sex and different nationalities will share one room. Towels and bed linen are provided by the hotel. Each room has its separate bathroom and toilet. The seminar room and dining room are located in the same building. Organisers will provide participants with three times of food per day. Coffee breaks will be self-service. Dietary needs such as vegetarianism will of course be taken into consideration as much as possible. Please be however open-minded and curious to Hungarian cuisine. All the costs are covered by the programme. The costs of the drinks or food that will be ordered in the hotel cafe out of breakfast, lunch and dinner, participants will cover by themselves. Participants are kindly required to arrive to the project venue (Hotel Amadeus) on 28 October before 6pm. Please note that if some participants will stay longer for holiday reasons, organisers will not provide them accommodation out of project days (28 Oct. – 3 Nov.)

Reaching the hotel

Private transport from Budapest airport: you can use MinIBUD transfer service and book it online at https://www.minibud.hu if you arrive together, we suggest this option.

Public transport from Budapest airport: the fastest way by public transport is bus 100E to the last stop (Deák Ferenc tér) from you have to take metro 2 till the last stop (Örs vezér tere) from where you have to take only one stop (Fogarasi út) with any of the following buses: 31, 131, 144, 231 or trolleybus 82.

From Népliget bus station: take tram 1 till Puskás Ferenc Stadion and then take trolleybus 80 to Fogarasi út stop.
From Kelenföld bus and train station: take metro 4 till the last stop (Keleti Pályaudvar) and then take trolleybus 80 to Fogarasi út stop.

Single ticket price for bus, trolleybus, metro, boat, etc is 350 HUF. You can check the bus lines and directions and plan the transportation on the following web page https://bkk.hu. For using public transport, you have to buy paper tickets which you can purchase at vending machines in almost every stops and the airport. You can pay with Hungarian coins, paper money and credit card.
Travel budget and reimbursement

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**TRAVEL DAYS** are 28 October and 3 November 2019. Participants can stay longer only if prices of flight tickets are not higher than on travel days.

**Please do not buy** any tickets without our confirmation or permission. You are strictly required to contact us and send travel plan of the participant beforehand. You can proceed with the ticket purchase only after you get our permission.

Travel plans have to be sent to institute@culturalrelations.org within 5 days of approval of applications. Deadline for purchasing tickets: 30 September 2019.

We kindly ask all participants to ask for an invoice/receipt for all travel tickets with the following data on it: Kulturalis Kapcsolatokert Alapítvány, 1131 Budapest, Gyöngyosi utca 45. Hungary. We ask you to bring us all boarding passes and tickets with invoices for your travel expenses. If you do not have these documents we will not be able to reimburse your money. In order to receive full travel reimbursement:
- provide all invoices, tickets and other travel documents by deadline (until 15 November)
- attend on the educational programme,
- fill in the individual participants’ report after the training and
- take part in dissemination of results.

Travel costs are fixed amount of money per participant based on the travel distance. Travel distance was calculated using the distance calculator supported by the European Commission. Every Partnership Agreement with every Partner states the rule about money that will be given to the Partner for travel expenses. We will reimburse you the amount of money that you have spent on travel tickets but not more than the fixed amount per participant from each country. The costs of travel by private car cannot be reimbursed. Extra costs (insurance and catering during your travel) cannot be reimbursed.

Reimbursements will be made via bank transfer to the partner organisations not earlier than 3 months after the end of the training and after you send back the documents of return trip. Payment of bank transfer fees will be borne by recipients. The official currency of Hungary is forint (HUF). Do not forget to change your currency if you want to buy souvenirs or some extra things you need (accommodation and meals are provided for the project days). Budapest local transport company’s ticket offices and vending machines accept bank cards. You can find a list of exchange offices in Budapest [here](#).
Participants coming from the European Union do not need visa to enter the territory of Hungary. Participants from these countries will need to have only a valid identity card or an international passport. Please check the validity of your ID or passport before departure. Before travelling, check whether you are entitled to leave your country and enter Hungary with your travel documents!

!!! And, it is very important, that you **keep all travel tickets/boarding passes/invoices**, and bring it with, so that we are able to reimburse the travel costs !!!

### Insurance

Participants are required to have an insurance for the whole duration of both trainings. This is obligatory for your safety and health. The European Health Insurance Card is valid only in Hungary. In case you have the card, you do not need to have additional insurances.

### Weather

All updates about the weather in Budapest are available here

### Facebook group

We invite all participants to join the Facebook group dedicated to the project: [https://www.facebook.com/groups/cultureasatool](https://www.facebook.com/groups/cultureasatool)

### Application

The application form can be accessed at the following link:
[http://culturalrelations.org/Files/Erasmus/Application_form-CTCR.docx](http://culturalrelations.org/Files/Erasmus/Application_form-CTCR.docx)

**Deadline for application:** 25 September 2019

**25.9.2019** application deadline

**30.9.2019** buying of flight tickets

**28.10-3.11.2019** training in Budapest
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