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SOCIAL JUSTICE CLUB

Youth exchange



Druskininkai



December 3–9

Hello there!

Welcome to the project “Social Justice Club”, where 25 youngsters from five different countries will learn together in a seven days-long exchange in the beautiful town of Druskininkai, Lithuania.

This infopack provides all the necessary information about the project and will be a central piece of it. Read it carefully!

The project

Join us in this journey to the depths of the concept of social justice! What is it, where does it come from, what does it mean in practice, and how do we apply it in real life?

Even though the idea of social justice appears everywhere, from political discourses to philosophy to conversations with a neighbor, it is not always easy to define what it actually means.

In this project, we will get to the very core of the concept, learning about how it came to represent different things for different people, how it guides so many of our ideals and how to turn it into an effective drive for building a better society.

Join us for this exchange in Lithuania to spend a week with 25 participants from five different countries and explore what social justice means to us.

Participant organizations

Organization	Country	Participants
Jumpstart	Lithuania	5
PRAXIS	Greece	5
Alternative International	Bulgaria	5
Youmore	Italy	5
Creant Europa	Spain	5

Language used



The activities of the project will have English as the main communication language. It is therefore a participation requisite to have an English level good enough to be able to follow the activities and actively engage in them.



Who can participate?

Young people interested in learning more about social justice. In order to be eligible for participation, you must:

- Be 18- 30 years old.
- Be a resident in one of the partner countries (Lithuania, Greece, Bulgaria, Italy and Spain).
- Have good English skills.
- Be in possession of a European Health Insurance Card or equivalent.
- Agree to the rules & terms of the project as detailed in the learning contract and sign and send it on time.



Costs and reimbursement

- Accommodation, food and activities' materials: 100% covered by the Erasmus+ Programme.
- Travel costs: The travel from your hometown to Druskininkai and back is covered by the project budget up to a limit. This limit is set by the Erasmus+ Programme rules and calculated using the Erasmus+ Distance Calculator tool. Maximum travel budgets are:

Country	Participants
Lithuania	50 euros
Greece	275 euros
Bulgaria	275 euros
Italy	275 euros
Spain	360 euros



These are the maximum amounts the project budget will refund you for your displacements from your hometown to Druskininkai and back. If you spend more than the maximum budget, we will not be able to refund you the difference. Please note that there are some **important things** about the travel budget:

- **Only the actual costs will be refunded.** The project organizers will refund you no greater amount of money than the one you actually spent on the travels. If there is any margin between the costs of your tickets and the maximum travel budget, it will not be refunded.
- **We can only reimburse travel costs for which original tickets/ invoices/ boarding passes are provided.** We strongly recommend you to keep all the original travel documents with you, since we will not be able to refund them if we do not receive them.
- **Only public transportation will be refunded.** Private cars, taxis and the like will not be refunded.
- **Reimbursement will be done after the exchange and will be conditioned to the compliance with the Erasmus+ Programme rules.** It means that full engagement in the activities of the exchange is a requisite for the reimbursement.
- **Accommodation in Druskininkai will be provided by the project organizers from November 2nd.** Dinner will also be provided on that day.
- **You can stay in Lithuania for up to two extra days before and after the project.** In case you want to visit Lithuania or if the itinerary suits you better this way, you can come up to two days before the beginning of the exchange and/or stay up to two days after its end. Accommodation and food will not be provided by the project organizers on those days, but travel costs will still be reimbursed.

Don't buy any tickets without receiving a confirmation from us! Send us your planned itinerary to galvany.jumpstart@gmail.com to make sure that everything is alright with it.



How to reach Druskininkai

The best way to arrive to Druskininkai is from **Vilnius** or **Kaunas**. These cities are usually well connected with other European capitals. If you do not have a possibility to take a direct flight, you can also look for the flights to Warsaw or Ryga and then take a bus. Depending on where you are departing from, you may need to take a connection flight. Usual connection hubs are Warsaw, London, Milan, Stockholm, all with convenient flights to Lithuania.

Transfer from Vilnius or Kaunas airports to bus stations can be done by regular city buses. Buses stop at the airport and arrives at Vilnius/Kaunas Bus Station (Autobusu Stotis).

Once in Vilnius/Kaunas, you can take a bus to Druskininkai. Lithuanian bus schedules and ticket reservations are available via www.autobusubilietai.lt Depending on the arrival times of the participants, the organizers may arrange the transportation to the accommodation.

More detailed information on how to reach the venue and the exact bus schedules will be provided later on.

Activities will begin on November 3rd at 09:00 and finish at 19:00 on December 9th. You must be in Druskininkai between these two hours. Accommodation and food will be provided at Bilso sodyba from December 2nd evening till the end of the exchange.

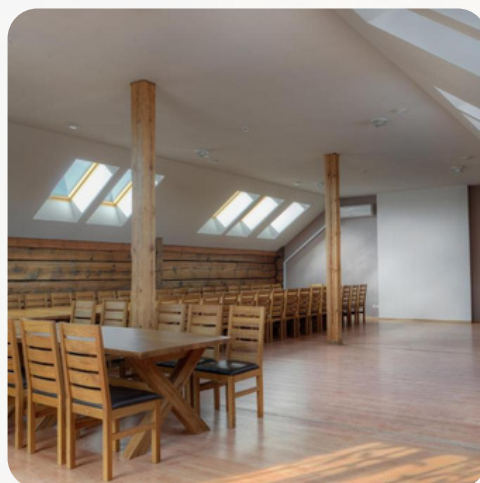
Ask us! If you have any doubt or problem or need any advice, don't hesitate to contact us (galvany.jumpstart@gmail.com).





The exchange will be held in the the modern rural tourism complex Bilso Sodyba, located in the Lithuanian resort city of Druskininkai. The participants will stay in non-mixed, 3-5 people bedrooms. The venue is surrounded by the beautiful scenery of Dzukija - beautiful forest and is next to a lake.

For more information about the venue you can check their website <https://www.bilsas.lt/en>



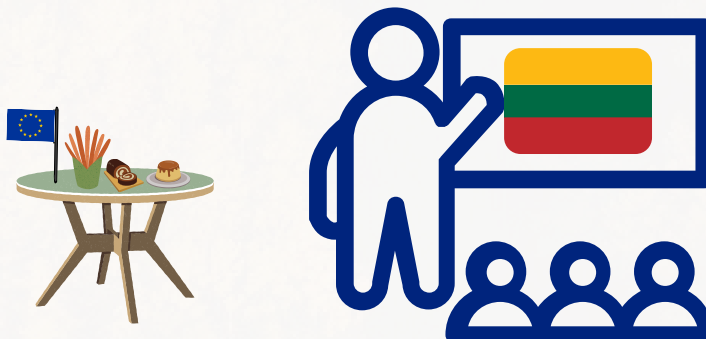


Weather in Lithuania in the beginning of December is usually unpredictable. Usual temperatures oscillate between -5 degrees during the day and -10 at night, although this varies greatly between years.

What to prepare in advance?

- During the cultural night each national team will make a brief presentation about their countries. It would be wonderful if you brought some traditional food & drinks to try!
- Though it's not mandatory, we strongly invite you to prepare some energizers!


Other than that, remember to bring your good mood and enthusiasm!





Contacts



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