



Youth Exchange

“Be Tolerant!”

Kobuleti, Georgia

Arrival 26th of October - Departure 4th of November

The partners of project:

Croatia - Mirovna Grupa Mladih Dunav

Georgia - Student-Youth Council

Turkey - Kasif Genclik ve Spor Kulubu Dernegi

Poland - Fundacja Dobrych Inicjatyw

Portugal - Associacao Spin

Armenia - Today Art Initiative

Aims and objectives:

"Be Tolerant" is an international cultural exchange project taking place in Kobuleti (Georgia), where youth of Georgia, Poland, Turkey, Croatia, Armenia and Portugal hosted by "Student-Youth Council" organization meet to discuss cultural differences, regional traditions, stereotypes and use this knowledge to spread for their society. They will be trained on the following topics: democracy values and mutual understanding; Respect differences, break stereotypes and create network; During 10 days 36 young people from 6 countries will work in 2 international teams: video reportage and street theater performance. The main topic of this workshop will be to promote tolerance and the respect. They will jointly prepare the scenario for the theater play in the subject of local traditions of family life. Through theater and music, which express traditions and roots of particular region, but also contemporary trends the project aims to raise awareness of young people that "cultural differences" and "intercultural dialogue" are not abstract concepts but events in which they participate and benefit from and may use them to develop their local community. Using their own talents, skills and creativity together they need to find a common point between Europe and the Caucasus. Traditions of the important moments of the family life (birth, wedding, funeral etc.) exist in every culture; though the celebrations differ themselves, the need to celebrate these important moments and to share this experience with the rest of the community is something that unites showing common roots of different cultures or nations. The multilingualism of the play is an essential point: actors will use their native language, for their better self-expression and breaking intercultural stereotypes. The play will be shown to Georgian local community of Kobuleti and Ozurgeti. Additionally participants will show the recorded performance back in their home countries to their local community.

Our aim is to promote tolerance, respect, and mutual understanding through cultural, religion, ethnic diversity between youth from different countries.

Youth Exchange will help young people to see how much perspective is an engagement and developing their own interests standing in front of them. A life offers to the youngsters many opportunities for activity and fulfillment, to make their lives more colorful and valuable, with positive consequences not only for them, but also for the community, by increasing the participation of young people in civic life. The project aims to raise awareness of young people from deprived areas that "the life does not have a time to be boring"; there are many interesting ways for the action.

Our goals are:

1. Cross-cultural learning and dialogue between the participants from different countries, with a view to promoting mutual understanding and tolerance;
2. To increase youngsters 'knowledge about different culture/history/religion
3. Development of creativity and involvement of young people in civil life through promoting "Erasmus +" opportunities among them.

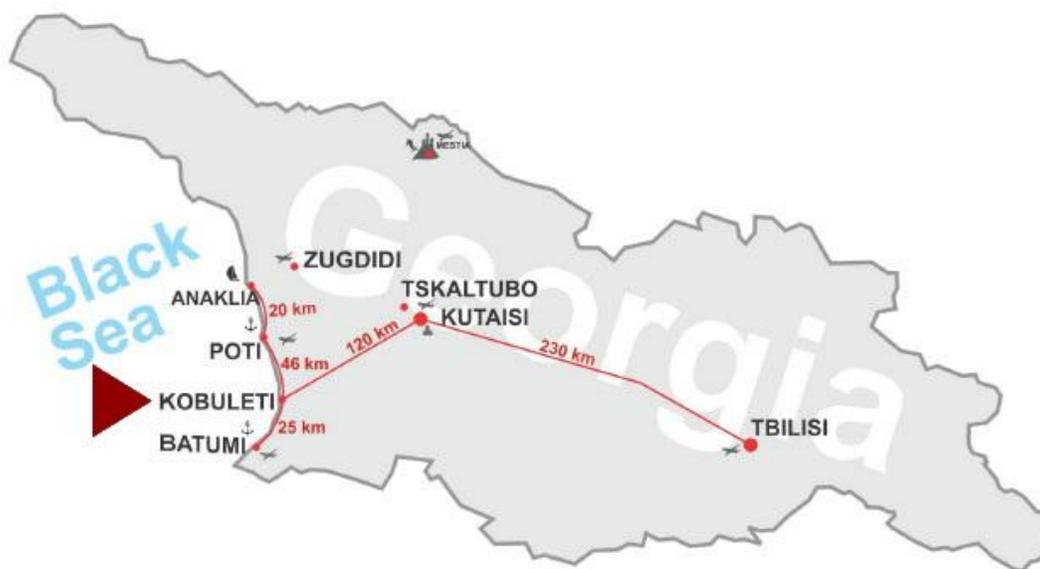
4. To unite youngsters from different background, nations and culture;
5. To learn how to respect each opinion and break stereotypes through conducting of evaluation and discussion with young people from other countries;
6. To promote good neighborly relations between the EU Member and non-EU States and to provide space for friendship and relationship through art and culture.

Full version of the program will be given for the participants for the moment of starting of the "Youth Exchange" itself !!!

Target group:

- ✓ Youngsters aged 18-25 years representing partner organizations from Croatia, Turkey, Poland, Portugal, Armenia and Georgia
- ✓ Group size 36 participants: 5 participants for per country + 1 team leader (here isn't age limitation) from each country.
- ✓ The gender balance between the participants should be respected during the completing of group.
- ✓ The participants of the project are required to know and be able to communicate in English as it's declared as the working language of the project.
- ✓ The talent in art, music, dance, drama or theatrical play is additional value for the participation.

About the venue, accommodation, food and financial conditions:



Youth Exchange is organized in Kobuleti (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kobuleti>).

Participants of the Youth Exchange will stay at the hotel in Kobuleti - a resort of the Black Sea. The participants will be accommodating in the rooms with 2-3-4 beds, the toilets, air-conditioners and

shower-baths are in all rooms of the hotel. Each participant will have separate bed and bed-linen is provided. We ask to the participants to bring their personal towels.

The breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided at the hotel. The participants must inform us forward about their dietary (vegetarian, don't eat a pork etc) or any specific needs.

Participants will be reimbursed of their travel costs according to the rules of the "Erasmus+" programme. In order to reimburse your travel costs, we'll need your ticket, invoice and boarding pass. The refunding of costs will be done in EUR (according to official rate of currency recognized by "Erasmus+" programme) through bank transfer after the getting of all travel documents (invoice, ticket, boarding pass) included the travel of the participants to their home countries.

Unfortunately, we don't cover the insurance fee of the participants, but here isn't any participation fee. The participants don't need to have Georgian visa.

The maximum amount of the travel cost per person:

Croatia - 270 EUR, Turkey - 170 EUR, Poland - 270 EUR, Portugal - 620 EUR, Armenia - 80 EUR

What to bring:

- ☺ Flyers, brochures, promotional materials, etc, to present your organisation to other participants;
- ☺ Drinks and food from your country and region and any other items that may will help you to present your country during the intercultural evening;
- ☺ Health insurance documents;
- ☺ Medicines, which you need to get regularly;
- ☺ All invoices, tickets and boarding passes related to your travel !!!

Currency

Currency in Georgia: Lari (GEL), 1 Lari = 100 Tetri

Exchange rate is approximately (today):

1 USD = 2.30 GEL 1 EURO = 2.50 GEL

No one from the currencies will not be accepted in the trade centers, cafe, pub, restaurant or by the taxi except of GEL, it's proved also by the legislation. Exchange of money is accessible as at the airport, also in Kobuleti.

Weather

You may check the current weather forecast at the following link:
www.weather-forecast.com/locations/Kobuleti/forecasts/latest

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Look forward to meet you soon ! 😊