

InfoPack

KA1 – YE, 16 – 27 May 2017, Milcoveni, Caras-Severin County, Romania

PAO CultRural Experiment

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PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY BEFORE APPLYING FOR OUR YOUTH EXCHANGE

About the project

PAO CultRural Experiment is a project that targets mainly young people marginalized by social exclusion , overwhelmed by today's technology, coming from Romania and all our partner countries. Nowadays youth, are deeply affected by these changes and some of them even forgot elements of their mother tongue and have problems communicating directly with other people and thus our project offers the possibility to all 42 participants coming from Romania, Czech Republic, Hungary, Macedonia, Italy Spain and Netherlands to take a pause from the virtual world and to reconnect with nature, with the rural life from where humanity begin.

They will experiment for 10 days in a safe environment what it means to live a simple life and to grow your own food as well as to dedicate yourself entirely to the land you work on.

More than that they will experience these rural activities mainly because we will use LARP (Live Action Role Play) as a main working method which will help reach the maximum level of empathy, the participants being "put in the shoes" of village folks and their daily routine.

PAO CultRural Experiment will take place at Marabu Camp in Milcoveni Village from Romania between 16-27 May (16.05 - arrival day / 27.05 – departure day). During our activities we will also have a few days done at Potoc village in the perimeters of their school.

The main goal of our project is to reconnect YOU(th) from urban areas with the village lifestyle and to help create an intercultural environment where they can explore their own culture and experience the village "way of living" of the Romanian village folks by using as working method LARP (live action role play) and by simulating business ideas meant to help the local communities of Milcoveni and Potoc village.

The main objectives of our project are as follow:

1. To develop knowledge regarding the collective village life for all our 42 participants.
2. To offer the possibility for all our 42 participants coming from urban areas to reconnect with nature and to learn the simple village lifestyle during the 10 days spent in Milcoveni Village.
3. To help develop the civic spirit in all our 42 participants by involving them in the daily activities the villagers have regarding agriculture and barnyard farming.
4. To help develop the entrepreneur spirit for all our 42 participants by motivating the growth of business ideas regarding the culture and tradition of Milcoveni and Potoc villages.
5. To help develop the creativity for all our 42 participants through role play exercises and by active participation in the LARP workshops.

The objectives of our project supports the objectives of Erasmus + program by involving YOU(th) from urban and rural areas in international mobility, by developing the civic and entrepreneur spirit among youth generation and by including disadvantaged participants throughout the project.

Participants

From each country, will participate one group leader aged 18+, experienced in youth work, coordinating and facilitating non-formal education activities and international groups; each group leader will accompany 5 participants (with the leader they should be 3 F and 3 M), aged 16 -30 years old, coming from disadvantaged backgrounds and especially from urban areas. The participants are youngsters interested in taking a pause from their city life and to start reconnecting with nature and the rural life where we all started from. They are highly motivated to learn and share afterwards the knowledge gained.

Participating organization

The coordinator of the project is PAO Atelier Experimental Potoc (<https://www.facebook.com/pao.potoc>)

Partners:

1. **Hungary** - CoEfficient (<http://www.egyutthato.eu/>)
2. **Italy**– Futuro Digitale (<http://www.futurodigitale.org/>)
3. **Spain** – Asociacion Mundus (www.asociacionmundus.com)
4. **Czech Republic** – Brno for you, z.s. (www.brnoforyou.cz)
5. **Netherlands** – The Exchangeables (www.the-exchangeables.org)
6. **Macedonia** – Sfera Macedonia (www.voluntarysfera.org)

Accommodation

For this YE, the participants will be accommodated in Marabu Camp, in 4-6 bed rooms, mixed international, but NOT GENDER ☺. Each room has its own bathroom.

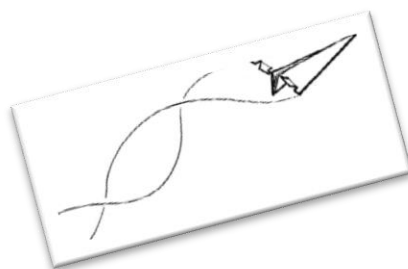
(<https://www.facebook.com/Tabara-Marabu-676107549160137/?fref=ts>)

The camp has internet, video projector, conference room, own dining room and a big green yard to enjoy the free time. **You should bring your own hygienic products, flip flops, house shoes, including towels.** Bed sheets and blankets are provided by Marabu Camp.

Financial Conditions

- Accommodation, food and materials during activity days as well as visa costs are fully covered by the project.
- Travel costs for the meeting will be reimbursed when invoices, e-tickets, boarding passes and other tickets are delivered to the host NGO according to Erasmus + rules. We have a specific document.

Nr.	Country	Distance band	Limit/participant Euro
1.	Romania	10-99 km	20
2.	Macedonia	100-499 km	80
3.	Italy	500 – 1999 km	170
4.	Hungary	100-499 km	80
5.	Netherlands	500-1999 km	170
6.	Spain	500 – 1999 km	170
7.	Czech Republic	500 – 1999 km	170



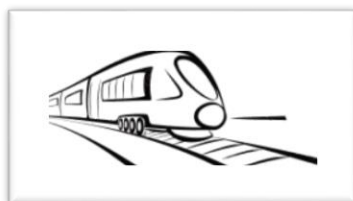
How to get there?

If you travel by plane

...The nearest airport is **Timisoara**, from where we will pick you up and bring you to the venue (around 150 Km);

...Another option is **Belgrade** – we can also arrange pickups but is easier and cheaper if you group yourselves to be picked up all together. Please take into consideration that picking you up from Belgrade is not free, we need to contract the transport company to pick you up and, usually it cost around 20 Euro/person, depending on the group it can be cheaper.

... We can assist you in coming even from **Budapest** (from where a 2 ways transfer is around 55-60 Euro) by contracting the transfer companies from Timisoara, which will pick you up from the airport or train station. You can also take a train from there to Timisoara, is a bit cheaper. (<https://www.bahn.de/p/view/index.shtml>) From Timisoara we will arrange pick-ups.



If you travel by train

If you travel by train the final stop should be **Timisoara Nord** or **Resita Nord**, from where we will pick you up! Timisoara has direct trains from most of the European cities. (Link to check out the connections <https://www.bahn.de/p/view/index.shtml>)



If you travel by car

If you travel by car, have in mind that now we have highways from Hungary and Serbia directly to Timisoara. From Timisoara you will have to drive 150 more km to arrive at Marabu Camp. **Please be aware of the ROVIGNETA, the fee which you must pay at the border. (For 1 week is around 6 Euro. Is mandatory and the fines are very high if you do not buy it)**

The National Legislation regarding car transport refers to reimburse 7.5l / 100 KM and that's the rule we will use.

The Address of the camp is:

Milcoveni Village (Exactly at the entrance in the village)

Berliste Town,

Caras-Severin County

Romania

IMPORTANT!!!! From whatever country, you are coming, BUCHAREST IS NOT AN OPTION!! Is 600 km away from the venue and about 14 hours travel by train!!!!

!!! Please take into consideration that for the pickups we will need to save some money from the travel budget. For this we recommend you to contact the other groups to meet each other and being picked up together**!!!**

Please let us know about your travel plan before booking any tickets and we will find the best solution together. (paoerasmus@gmail.com)

Other information...

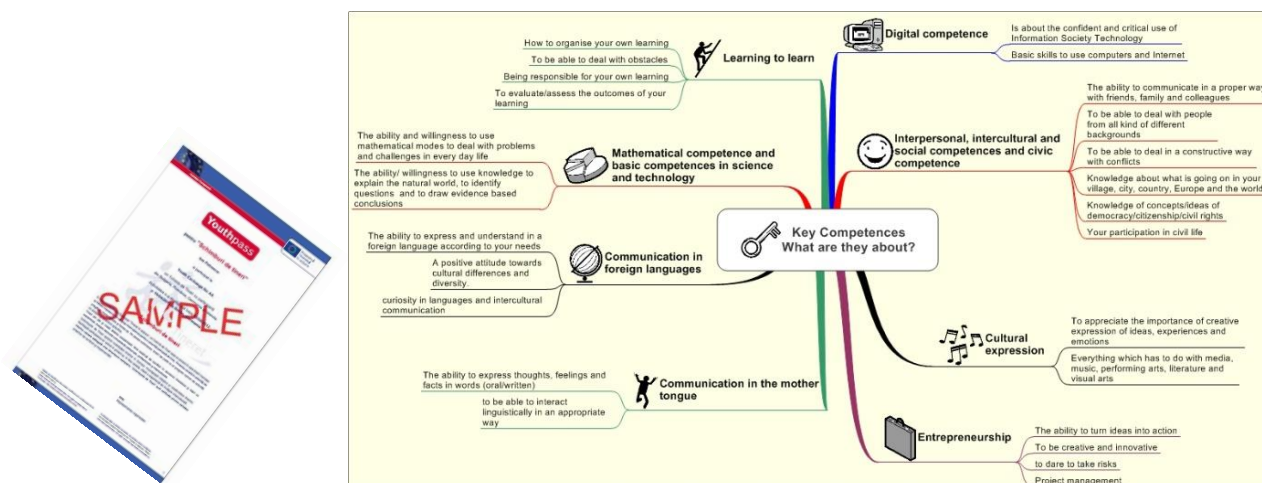
The currency - In Romania the currency is **RON**, we do not use Euro. The exchange rate can change but usually is like this 1 **Euro** = **4.4 Lei**. Do not exchange for less than 4.3 Lei. We will assist you in exchanging the Euro. Life in Romania is usually cheaper than other European Countries.

Health insurance - all partners have the responsibility in assisting the participants for obtaining the EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) which is free, or the participants will take care of this aspect by themselves. In Romania the Emergency services in Hospitals are free but let's hope it doesn't come to this 😊

Clothing and weather - as the weather can change from one day to another, we suggest you to have comfortable clothes and shoes for both situations. In general, the weather in May is very capricious but can be very warm!! For which we suggest you to bring **sun lotion** and **mosquito protection** to ensure your comfort while staying in Romania. You can even bring your swimming suit; we can never know what opportunities for relaxing in our free time can come 😊

!!!!!!If you have allergy to dust, pollen and other plants, please take the appropriate medicine with you!!!!!!

About Youthpass certificate...



All participants in the youth exchange have the option of receiving a Youthpass certificate which proves their participation in the exchange. Youthpass is a tool to document and recognize learning outcomes from youth work activities. It is available for projects funded by Erasmus+: Youth in Action (2014-2020). It is a part of the European Commission's strategy to foster the recognition of non-formal learning, putting policy into practice and practice into policy:

- While creating their Youthpass certificate together with a support person, project participants are given the possibility to describe what they have done in their project and which competences they have acquired. Thus, Youthpass supports the reflection upon the personal non-formal learning process and outcomes.

- As a Europe-wide recognition instrument for non-formal learning in the youth field, Youthpass strengthens the social recognition of youth work.
- Youthpass supports active European citizenship of young people and of youth workers by describing the added value of their project.
- Youthpass also aims at supporting the employability of young people and of youth workers by raising their awareness of and helping to describe their competences, and by documenting their acquisition of key competences on a certificate.

Your sending NGO should provide all relevant information about the Youthpass certificate and you can also check it yourself on the official website <https://www.youthpass.eu/en/>,

Contact

If you still have any questions, please contact us via e-mail paoerasmus@gmail.com

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See the daily schedule below!!!!Right after you check out this cool pictures of people riding a carriage just because RURAL :D



Schedule	16.05	17.05 – day 1	18.05 – day 2		19.05 – day 3	20.05 – day 4	21.05 – day 5	22.05 – day 6	23.05 – day 7	24.05 – day 8	25.05 – day 9	26.05 – day 10	27.05
08:30-09:30	Arrival	BREAKFAST											
09:45-11:20		Introduction and Name Games	Team building 2 & Trust Games		My Village	Rural Activities in Milcoveni	What is Entrepreneurship ,Start Ups	Role play & Simulation games	Final Preparation for LARP	Brain Storm Business Ideas	Public Event in Milcoveni	My testimony- preparing for dissemination	
11:20-11:45		COFFEE BREAK #1											
11:45-13:00		Getting to Know each Other	Erasmus +		Getting to know the villagers from Milcoveni	Rural Activities in Milcoveni	Portrait of the perfect entrepreneur in the village	LARP characters and Scenario	LARP	Working on the ideas in small groups	Public Event in Milcoveni	Follow up Planning	
13:00-15:00		LUNCH											
15:00-16:30		Rules, Expectations/Fears/Contributions	YouthPass – The 8 Key competences		Getting to know the locals from Potoc	Rural Activities in Potoc	Public speaking, Elevator Pitch	Preparation of the LARP	LARP	Preparation of idea presentation	Public Event in PAO	Youth Pass Recap	
16:30-17:00		COFEE BREAK #2											
17:00-18:30		Team Building 1	Carriage ride – discovering the village		Getting to know the locals from Potoc	Rural Activities in Potoc	LARP presentation	Midterm Evaluation	Evaluation of the LARP in the big group	Final preparation for public event	Public Event in PAO	Final Evaluation	
18:30-19:00		DAILY EVALUATION											
19:00-20:00		DINNER											
20:00-20:30		NATIONAL REFLEXION											
21:00		Welcome Party	Intercultural Evening (IT & CZ)		Intercultural Evening(HU& MK)	Intercultural Evening(SP & NL)	Romanian Evening	Free Evening	Camp Fire	Movie Night	Farmers got talent	World Caffe Youth Pass ceremony	
21:00		LEADERS MEETING											