

International Federation of Liberal Youth

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Invitation

To: Member Organisations of IFLRY Date: Friday, February 05,

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Seminar "You(th) in the <3 of Decision-Making"

9th - 14th April 2016, Istanbul, Turkey

Dear friends,

It is my pleasure to invite you to the IFLRY International Seminar on "You(th) in the <3 of Decision Making" The five-day seminar is to be held in Istanbul, Turkey from $9^{\rm th}-14^{\rm th}$ April 2016 and will precede the General Assembly. Participants will build their capacities and skill-set in order to actively engage in decision-making processes at the local, national and international levels. IFLRY Full Member $\bf 3H$ Hareketi is kindly hosting the seminar.

The objectives of this international seminar are to:

- Map out challenges and opportunities for increased youth participation in decision-making processes at large.
- To raise awareness of the instruments internationally available to increase youth participation, in particular from the Council of Europe.
- Look to Co-Management as a way to govern youth participation in decision-making processes

The seminar will make sure to stress the learning process of the participants. They will actively participate in strengthening a network that will facilitate the international exchange of best practices, and will share their experiences of the best way to influence decision making. To ensure a logical and coherent flow the activity will last 5 working days; will be based on NFE; participants will be increasingly given ownership over the work flow, with the team turning from trainers to facilitators; and the team will create a secure environment and a pleasant learning atmosphere, conducive to critical self-assessment and peer-to-peer exchange. The seminar will feature a field trip into Istanbul mid-week. It will be led by a professional team and is co-sponsored by the European Youth Foundation of the Council of Europe.

Below you will find further practical information on the seminar. Applying for the event is possible through an online form, to be found here. Additional information regarding the seminar can be found on the website. I look forward to seeing you in Istanbul!

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President

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Application procedure:

The following deadline for applications apply: 14th March 2016.

Registration will be done through an online form.

All required fields need to be filled in. IFLRY will not accept blank nominations. For any questions, please contact the secretariat by e-mail: office@iflry.org

Date & Venue:

<u>Arrival:</u> Participants are expected to arrive on <u>Saturday 9th April.</u> The Seminar is scheduled to start on Sunday 10th of April at 09:00h local time.

<u>Departure:</u> The programme ends on Thursday 14th April. Participants are expected to depart **Friday 15th April**, unless participating in the General Assembly and Conference, for which departure is expected at Sunday 17th April in the afternoon. Participants that are taking part in the General Assembly will remain in the hotel.

Please note that full completion of the programme is 100% mandatory to qualify for a travel refund. There can be no late arrivals or early departures.

Participants will be accommodated in double rooms. If you have any preferences for roommates, please state this in the application form.

Costs & Funding:

Seminar only - 100 EUR
GA + Conference + Seminar - 160 EUR

The member organisations are responsible for the payment of participation fees of their delegates and will be invoiced in case participants fail to pay the fee. The fee is to be paid at the latest 10 days prior to the event and by bank transfer, unless other arrangements are made with the office.

IFLRY's banking details are:

Name of account holder: International Federation of Liberal Youth

Account no. 430-0285381-95 IBAN: BE76 4300 2853 8195

BIC: KREDBEBB

Bank Address: KBC Bank NV, Arenbergstraat 11, 1000 BRUSSEL, Belgium

As a payment reference please write your name and either "Seminar Istanbul" or "GA+Sem Istanbul"

The fee for GA + Conference and Seminar includes accommodation (9th-17th April; breakfast: 10^{th} -17th April; lunch: 10^{th} -17th; dinner: 9^{th} -16th and coffee breaks throughout.

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Costs which are not included are social evening events, non-receipted travels, and travel within free time. Cost attributed to arrivals or departures outside the seminar time frame are at your own accord.

In case of a cancellation later than 14 days prior to the event (after 24th March) the full participation fee will be charged.

A travel refund option will be made available. This will be 80% of travel costs (up to 250EUR) for participants from Council of Europe member states, and 80% of travel costs (up to 500EUR) for participants from non-Council of Europe member states. Please note that the cheapest option of travel (within reason) should be taken.

Visas:

Some countries are exempted from applying for a visa before travelling to Istanbul. All participants are responsible for verifying the visa procedures for the country of their passport. Please follow this link to see if that applies for your country.

Turkey operate an instant E-Visa system, however should you require any assistance from IFLRY for obtaining a visa, please contact the IFLRY office (office@iflry.org) as soon as possible and at the latest on the date of the application deadline: 14/3/16

The cost of the visa can only be reimbursed for those attending the seminar.

Seminar Details

LANGUAGE: English will be the working language for this seminar.

FORMAT: Non Formal Education

Non Formal Education is participant-centred, action-oriented and value-based approaches. Non formal education is instruction that is not obligatory and structured and is learned outside the context of a formal school. With other words - methods outside the traditional school (educational) setting but that are more structured than just learning from a conversation (informal). The non-formal approach to education and interaction in IFLRY means that the entire experience of a study session is a learning experience - such as interactive lectures, workshops, working groups, simulations, cafes, and peer to peer learning.

ORGANISATION DISPLAY: There will be opportunities for IFLRY member organisations to display material and literature from their organisation. It is encouraged for participations to bring material to distribute.

CULTURAL EVENT: The seminar will include a cultural evening. For this, IFLRY asks each participant to bring a small sampling of food and drink from their country.