



Invitation

To: Member Organisations of IFLRY

Date: Thursday, August 31, 2017

**“Peace, Democracy and Cooperation in North-East Europe”
5-8th October 2017, Sweden, Stockholm**

Dear Friends,

It is our pleasure to invite you to the IFLRY Seminar on “Peace, Democracy and Cooperation in the North-East Europe”. This four-day seminar is to be held in Stockholm, Sweden from 5 to 8 of October 2017. It will aim to inform participants, who will learn both from trainers and from the experiences of other participants, on the challenges around peace, democracy and cooperation, specifically focusing on the Northeast European region. IFLRY has the pleasure of welcoming applicants for a seminar on Peace, democracy and cooperation in Northeast Europe between 5th and 8th of October.

The region of Northeast Europe has been plagued by conflicts throughout history and though the conflicts are fewer, we still see violence in the region and tensions are still high between some of the countries.

The aim of this seminar is to bring together young people from Northeast Europe to discuss what can be done to promote long-term peace in the region. This topic will be explored by discussing several topics such as democracy, advocacy, youth participation, and how to fight populism. We will also discuss what we can do to integrate countries within the EU, how the eastern partnership can be improved and what we can do to promote cooperation between our countries. In the spirit of promoting cooperation we will also have some joint sessions together with Social Democrats who are hosting an event in Stockholm during the same weekend.

We will convene participants from the north-east European region and neighbouring countries who will share best practices and their own experiences, empowering young people to actively engage in topics such as peace and democracy.

Below you will find further practical information. The deadline for applications is **10 September 2017**. Please note that applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, so make sure you apply fast to secure yourself a spot!

We look forward to seeing you in Stockholm!

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Date and Venue:

Arrivals: Participants are expected to arrive Thursday 5th of October

Departures: Participants are expected to depart on Sunday 8th of October

Please note that full completion of the programme is mandatory to qualify for a refund. There can be no late arrivals or early departures. If you wish to visit Stockholm, please consider staying extra days prior or after the seminar – at your own cost – as there will be little time for this during the programme. Participants will be accommodated in double or triple rooms in a hotel venue arranged by IFLRY.

Funding:

We will cover costs for accommodation (5th of October- 8th of October, 3 nights), breakfast, lunch and dinner during the seminar and travel costs for flight, train or bus to Stockholm. Do note that we will not be able to cover cost of travels within Stockholm.

The travel costs will be reimbursed up to a maximum of the following:

Swedish, Norwegian and Danish participants: up to 100€

Finish, Polish and Lithuanian participants: 200€

Ukrainian, Russian and Belarusian participants: 250€

Azerbaijan, Armenian, Moldovan and Georgian participants: 400€

Language:

English is the working language of this seminar.

Format:

IFLRY adheres to Non-Formal Education as a learning format. Non-Formal Education is participant-centred, action-oriented and value-based. It is instruction that is not obligatory and structured and is learned outside the context of a formal school. 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.