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Invitation

To: Member Organisations of IFLRY **Date:** Wednesday, October 19, 2016

"You(th) in the <3 of Decision-Making: A United Vision" 9th November – 14th November 2016, Pula, Croatia

Dear friends,

It is my pleasure to invite you to the IFLRY International activity on "You(th) in the <3 of Decision-Making: A United Vision". This four-day seminar is to be held in Pula, Croatia, from the 9th of November to the 14th of November 2016. This International seminar represents the final stage of a one year process focused on youth in the <3 of decision making. Therefore the aim of this seminar is to summarize all the information gathered from the previous local activities in order to develop recommendations for young people and their rights and possibilities for participation in decision making. We will convene participants from both the whole European continent as well as from outside of Europe. Participants will share best practices across IFLRY's membership and with this seminar we will be able to collectively learn from each other and evaluate the effectiveness of the three local activities on the topic of youth in decision making. The event will take place in Pula, where the participants will have a chance to learn from our local partners on the different tools they use and the mechanism in place in order to ensure youth participation in decision-making. This seminar is held in cooperation with the Istrian Democratic Youth of Croatia.

The main aims of the event are:

- thoroughly evaluate the outputs of the three local seminars and work towards a unified vision for concrete follow up
- by including new participants we would like to offer a new and fresh perspective to the whole process
- create a space where the previously created projects designed to have local impact on youth in decisionmaking will be reviewed and assessed
- get familiar, understand and use examples from the Istrian context in including youth in decision-making
- explore how the learnings so far can be applied in a global context
- create a guidebook based on the critical evaluation of the one-year process in order to multiply learnings further on

On the first day we will welcome the now united sets of participants and revisit the context of the work plan and the activity that has been undertaken within it so far. Participants from each activity will present their respective bodies of work and all participants will have the opportunity to scrutinise each other's activity. On the second day we will seek to find common challenges and success across the local activities, using the theoretical learnings from the first international seminar as a lens. As such, some of the theory around youth participation in decision making will be revisited to refresh the minds of past participants and equip the new participants. On the third day we will focus on how the learnings from this work plan can be shared and multiplied across the global network. Finally we will aim to summarize the theoretical understandings, combined with the three local case studies into a guidebook. However, we will leave the floor for the participants to decide whether this is the best way to approach this. On the fourth day we will see the presentation and evaluation of this concrete outcome designed to have a multiplier effect. At the very end we will focus on follow up planning for the seminar, including how exactly the guidebook will be distributed across the network.

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Below you will find further practical information. Please see here for the online form through which you can apply. We look forward to seeing you in Pula!



Andrea UGRINOSKA | Executive Director

Application procedure:

The deadline for applying is: 23^d October 2016 (23:59 GMT).

Applicants must register through our online form.

All required fields must be filled in. IFLRY will not accept blank nominations. If you have any preferences for roommates, please state it in the form. For any questions, please contact the Secretariat by e-mail: office@iflry.org.

Date & Venue:

Arrival: Participants are expected to arrive on Wednesday 9th of November in the evening, local time.

Departure: Participants are expected to depart **Monday 14**th of **November in the morning, local time.**

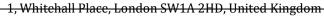
Please note that full completion of the programme is **mandatory** to qualify for a refund. There can be **no late arrivals or early departures**. If you wish to visit Pula, please consider staying extra days prior or after the seminar—on your own cost—as there will be little time for this during the programme.

Participants will be accommodated in double or triple rooms. Should you wish to request a single room or additional nights in the hotel, you can add this to your nomination and we will strive to satisfy your request. You will however have to bear these additional costs yourself.

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The sponsor for this activity is the European Youth Foundation of the Council of Europe.

Included in the activity is accommodation (9th of November- 14th of November, 5 nights), food (dinner snacks on the 9th; breakfast, lunch and dinner each day, except on the 14th of November (departure day), a travel subsidy, and costs associated with the activity during the course of the event.

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 activity time frame are at your own accord.

Participants will be asked to pay a fee of 55 euros for the duration of the whole event.

A travel refund option will be made available. Transport to the event must be cost-effective in order to claim a refund. You will have to provide your refund claim form to your trainer along with all receipts. Tickets will be covered from up to 250 euros for participants travelling from Europe, and up to 500 euros for participants travelling from outside of Europe.

Local Activity: "You(th) in the <3 of Decision-Making: A United Vision"

LANGUAGE: English is the working language of this local activity.

FORMAT: Non-Formal Education.

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.

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