



KA 1 Youth Exchange Project

9th – 19th July 2017

Ukmergė, Lietuva

We are glad to welcome you to the youth Exchange „StART“ and looking forward to meet you in Lithuania. Please read all the provided information carefully and don't hesitate to ask questions if needed.

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APV Dates: 26-28 May, 2017

Exchange Dates: 9 – 19 July 2017

Location: Ukmergė, Lithuania

Number of participants in APV: 2 persons (1 leader + 1 participant)

Number of participants in exchange: 8 persons + 2 group leaders (per country)

(we seek for Gender Balance)

Age group: Participants 18 – 29 years old & Group leaders – no age limit

IMPORTANT - PARTICIPANTS MUST have interest and/or practice in street art, painting, dance, music. Please, don't collect the group accidentally :)

We hope that during these 9 days, you will get a useful intercultural experience. Non-formal education methods will be used with the view to promote and follow the values and aims of the Erasmus + Programme.

Project is hosted by Youth leisure center from Ukmergė, Lithuania. (group leaders – Dalia Mikelinskienė, email: projektai.jlc@gmail.com and Daiva Pranskevičienė email: vsj.jlc@gmail.com)

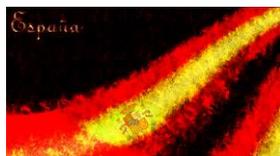
Partners of the project:



Kultur & Art Initiative; Detmold



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summary

Project "StART" is about youth and street art power for active citizenship, involvement and different cultures, institutions and generations partnership.

40 young people from Germany, Italy, Lithuania and Spain (10 people from each country) in cooperation with municipality of Ukmergė region will create paintings on buildings that demands cosmetic repair, through street dance and music performances, which will be created and rehearsed in public spaces, will invite local people of different ages and social backgrounds to participate and create together.

Local people will be encouraged to share their opinions and participate in developing idea and the aim of the project. Therefore, the main point is not the esthetic value of created art, but the social value, that is why major part of attention will be paid for the process itself, long lasting and dynamic social connections and inclusion of people with their ideas of participation.

The goal of this project is - through young people's active citizenship and their contemporary culture promote cultural dialogue, social inclusion and solidarity of the different countries and generations.

Artistic expression helps people specially of young age to integrate into society. Today we are witness of development of street art which is taking bigger and bigger role in life of the cities. Therefore, it is crucial to be aware of this phenomena and use it in the social work with young people to be able to guide them. At the same time, young people have what to

show and ideas to share, they know that street art is one of the ways that can involve people, develop friendship and dialog while using interesting type of art which has esthetic and long lasting value.

Young people, involved into street art culture will not only prettify one of the European cities, but also will feel useful, interesting, understand and responsible for their actions.

Result of the activities - intercultural presentation of created paintings and dance/music performances for the society which will finalise week of youth exchange.

There will be intercultural learning games, historical trips and visits at the daily program.

Working Language

The official project language will be English, however, many of you speak many different languages. But don't be scared if you think that your English is not good enough. We will find many different ways to communicate and interact!!



Firstly, you should find a flight to Vilnius (VNO) airport. Kaunas (KUN) airport can be an option too. PLEASE BOOK ALL TICKETS AFTER 1,MAY, 2017 - this is the first our project day!!!

APV:

The arrival day is 26, May, 2017 and the departure day is 28, May, 2017.

EXCHANGE:

The arrival day is 9, July, 2017 and the departure day is 19, July, 2017.

Try to find a suitable option for the flights on these days.

Coming to the venue from Vilnius airport (<http://www.vilnius-airport.lt/en/>) is the following: there is a cheap and often special train to Vilnius center. Ticket costs 0.70 EUR per person. Go only one stop, which is the Vilnius Railway Station (Gelezinkelio stotis). Cross the street, go to bus station. From there you will have to take a bus to Ukmergė, which takes approximately 1 hour (cost ~5.50 EUR). You can check the bus schedule & buy the tickets here: <https://www.autobusubilietai.lt/en/popular-bus-routes/Ukmerg-Vilnius/>

If you are coming from Kaunas (<https://www.kaunas-airport.lt/index.php?lang=en>), there is a bus from airport directly to Ukmergė. You can buy tickets at the driver and it costs ~5.50 EUR per person.

We will pick you up from Ukmergė bus station.

Costs & Refund of Travel Expenses

The reimbursement will be made according to the rules of Erasmus+ Program. We need to receive all original travel proof documents. Please, buy two way tickets.

! All accommodation and food costs will be paid by the hosting organization.

! We are not responsible for the costs of the medical and travel insurance.

! There is no participation fee for the project.

The national currency is EURO.

Below you find the travel expense limits for each country, so please have them in mind when you book the tickets.

Please, use the cheapest solution for any kind of travel.

Travel costs per participant:

Country	Money in euros
Italy	275
Germany	275
Spain	360

We will reimburse the travel expenses after the exchange by bank transfer, in accordance with the Erasmus+ framework. **In order to make the reimbursement, it is compulsory that you have all the necessary documents with you.** If your travel costs exceed the official limits, the reimbursement will be limited to the maximum amount of travel costs allocated for each country. If you fail to provide all the necessary travel documents, we will be unable to reimburse you. For plane travel, the original documents that we need are: **(1) Tickets and Boarding Passes; (2) Invoice / Receipt.** Keep your bus / train tickets as well! Travel by cars / taxis is not reimbursed.

Also:

(3) IBAN (number of your organisation bank account) and the name of the account holder

(4) Copy of all participants ID cards or passports.

Please keep in mind that for each country there will be a total bank transfer for the whole group to the organisation's bank account.

UKMERGĖ

Ukmergė – city is located in Aukštaitija region, 76 kilometers North West from capital Vilnius. It is one of the oldest cities in Lithuania. More than 27000 local inhabitants live there a quiet and slow daily life. **Ukmergė** is a historical city having its` own Old town, old street nets, ancient buildings and squares. According to the 2016 census, population of the city is near 21 500.



Some sources say that **Ukmergė** was mentioned for the first time in 1225, other historians disagree and claim that 1333 was the year when Ukmergė was mentioned for the first time in Livonian chronicles by chronicler Hermann von Wartberge. A wooden castle was erected in Ukmergė city center which was burnt in 1391. A stone one was built soon after destruction of its wooden progenitor in the beginning of the 15th century. Then **Ukmergė** competed with Deltuva town located nearby. In 1486 Deltuva lost its` strategic importance and **Ukmergė** started developing fast. In 1486 it got city rights and in the 16th century it already had an urban autonomy. In the 19th century **Ukmergė** as well as the rest of Lithuania was ruled by tsarist government. Then although the local authorities initiated revocation of bondage, tsar government did not let that happen. Bolsheviks were finally hunted away from **Ukmergė** in 1919. Then **Ukmergė** became a center of municipality, while later on even of the whole region. During the interwar period when Lithuania was independent (1918-1939) in **Ukmergė** there many factories were opened like linen, machinery, furniture plants.