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YAAD: Youth Acting Against Discrimination

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17-24 June 2024 (including travel days)
Alicante, ES

About the project

The main objective of this project is to foster the integration of young migrants and refugees in Europe, with a focus on the national societies of the Countries in which the organizations involved in this project operate.

Integration is a two-way process because it involves active engagement, effort, and understanding from both the receiving society and the newcomers. The project intends to bring together young Europeans and young migrants and refugees, with a two-fold aim: on the one hand, to **enhance the intercultural awareness** of all participants in the YE, and on the other hand, to contribute to the **integration** of the young migrants/refugees, not only in the Spanish society, but also in the wider and more culturally varied European society.

Moreover, a third objective is to devise, together with the participants, concrete ways and tools to **act against discrimination** of migrants and refugees in their own respective countries, with a focus on digital tools such as social media campaigns.



Activities

Youth Acting Against Discrimination (YAAD) is a **6-day** youth exchange that will take place in **Alicante** between **June 18th** and **23rd, 2024**, not including travel days.

All activities planned for this exchange are inspired by approaches of **non-formal education**, whose methods are aimed at stimulating the motivation of the participants, their voluntary participation, critical thinking and personal development.

Some **workshops** will also be implemented, in which the facilitator will provide participants with some theoretical backgrounds about the topics that will be discussed, mostly to prepare them to carry out the non-formal education activities.

A guest speech and a laboratory to produce concrete results (a social media campaign) are also included in the programme.



Program flow

	DAY 1 18/06	DAY 2 19/06	DAY 3 20/06	DAY 4 21/06	DAY 5 22/06	DAY 6 23/06
AM	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers
	Welcome and Introduction activities; name games; introduction of backgrounds; group contract	YAAD Thematic Workshop #1 - Human Rights group discussion about the concept of Human Rights	YAAD Thematic Workshop #2 - What does it mean to be a refugee? group discussion about the concept of forced migration	YAAD Thematic Workshop #3: Hate Speech and Discrimination	YAAD Lab - Act Against Discrimination! Production of social media content against discrimination	Youthpass session
	Expectations, Youth Exchange and presentation of the Youthpass and the Learning agreement					Evaluation of the Youth Exchange
PM	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Energizers and ice-breakers	Free Afternoon
	Team-building activities	YAAD Thematic Workshop #1 - Human Rights, including NFE activities for HR education	YAAD Thematic Workshop #2 - What does it mean to be a refugee?	YAAD Thematic Workshop #3: Hate Speech and Discrimination	YAAD Lab - Act Against Discrimination! Production of social media content against discrimination	
	Non-Formal Education (NFE) activities for Human Rights Education		NFE activities about intercultural communication	Guest speech: "Make it viral - The power of social media and awareness-raising capaigns"		
	Reflection Groups	Reflection groups	Reflection groups Intercultural Night	Reflection groups		

Participants

Spain (Euroacción)  4 participants + 1 group leader

Spain (Spanish Red Cross)  5 participants + 1 group leader

Stiftung zur Förderung der Jugend in Baden-Württemberg (Germany)  4 participants + 1 group leader

S.I.S.E.R.A. Greece (Greece)  4 participants + 1 group leader

Loesje Palestine (Palestine)  4 participants + 1 group leader

Fondazione Comunitaria di Agrigento e Trapani (Italy)  4 participants + 1 group leader

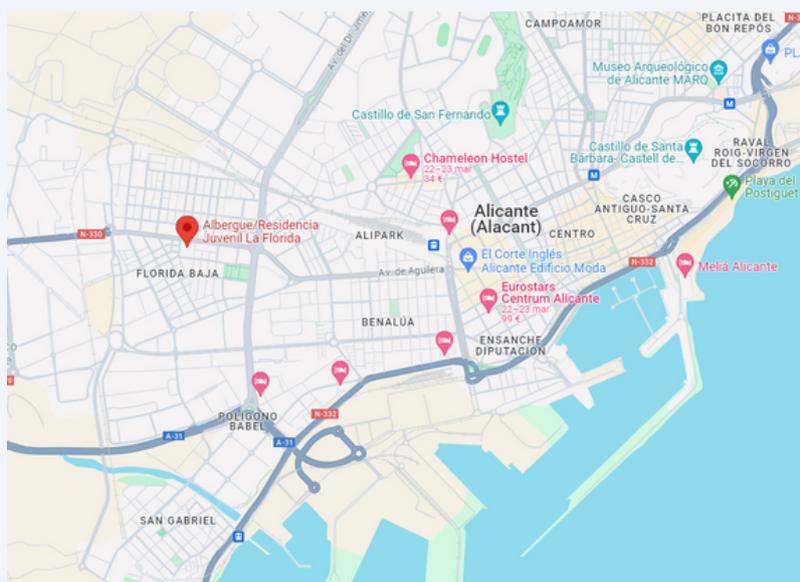
Participants' profile

- **Participants** in this Youth Exchange must be from 18 to 30 years old.
- **Group leaders** can be of any age, starting from 18 years old. The role of group leaders is to support their national team of participants during the exchange, both logistically and emotionally. Group leaders will be selected by each partner organization among their respective pools of candidates.



Where will the activities take place?

Albergue juvenil La Florida. Alicante



click on the map
to see the
location



Av. de Orihuela, 59 03007 Alicante



[Link to the website of the Youth Hostel](#)

Accomodation - Venue

The building, located in the city of Alicante, consists of two four-story wings articulated by a covered and glazed central courtyard. The rooms are located on the upper levels; the entrance hall is located on the ground floor while the dining room and the library are on the semi-basement.



IMPORTANT INFO ABOUT THE ROOMS

The hostel will facilitate different types of rooms, depending on their availability during the days of the Youth Exchange. Therefore, you might get a (small) individual room or a bigger double, triple or quadruple room. **Rooms will be assigned to each participant randomly, so please do expect to have to share your room with other participants.** At a later stage, you will have the opportunity to tell us whether you would prefer to share the room with participants of your same gender, of your same national team, or if you would be comfortable with a mixed solution.

Only one key per room will be provided by the hostel, so you will have to share responsibility for it. If someone loses the key, the hostel will charge a fee of 20 €, which will have to be paid by the responsible participant, and will not be reimbursed by Euroacción.

How to arrive at Alicante

Closest airports

- Alicante – Elche Airport (~ 0,45 hours)
- Valencia Airport (~ 2,5 hours by train)
- Madrid Airport (~ 2,5 hours by train)

Among the airports abovementioned, the nearest and most convenient airport to Alicante is **Elche Airport** (Aeropuerto de Alicante-Elche Miguel Hernández) which is about 45 minutes by bus from the city centre, but it can be more depending on the time of your arrival.

Keep in mind that if you arrive at night and you cannot find a public bus to the city you might need to take a taxi to the city.*

If you can't find a good flight connection to Alicante Elche airport:

Valencia is at ~2:10 hours distance from Alicante by train or from 2 to 3:45 hours by bus depending on the option chosen.

While **Madrid** is ~2:30 hours away by train or from 5 to 6:30 hours away by bus.

(The abovementioned estimations are intended from city to city, so you should also take into account the time you might need to move inside the cities to get to the train or bus stations).

* For your commute, you should use public transport, try to avoid taxis or other private means of transport until you don't have any other option.



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How to arrive at Alicante

Trains are usually more expensive than buses but they are faster so it is up to you which mean of transport fits your needs better. Below you can find the official websites of the transportation companies where you can buy the tickets for your travel.

Remember also that:

1. In order to find a better price, it's good to buy the tickets in advance on the official website of the transport companies.
2. If you take the train we suggest you to take into consideration that in Spain, you will have to go through baggage checks similar to the ones you do at the airport, so you might need a few minutes more to get to the platforms.

Transport Websites (if you need to get to Alicante from another city)

Bus Company Website: <https://www.alsa.com>

Train Company Website: <https://www.renfe.com>

How to arrive from Alicante-Elche Airport to Alicante city

We recommend to look up on Google Maps the directions to get from Alicante-Elche Airport to the hostel (the address is at page 6 of this Info pack) by bus. There is no train station at this airport. The most frequent bus to the city centre is the C6, but you might find other buses too. The ticket can be bought directly on the bus, and the cost should be less than 4 €. Please note that after 23:30 pm there are no buses to Alicante, so you will need to take a taxi.



How to arrive at the hostel?

(once you have arrived in Alicante city)



The hostel is located in “Florida Baja” district on the west side of the city and it is roughly **25** minutes walk from the train station (**Alacant Terminal**) and **35** minutes walk from the Bus station (**Estación de Autobuses de Alicante**).

Alternatively, if you don’t want to walk, we recommend to look up on Google Maps the directions to get from your location to the hostel (the address is at page 6 of this Infopack) by bus. From Alicante train station, the bus ride should last about 12 minutes, while from Alicante bus station, the bus ride should last about 25 minutes. You can buy the ticket directly on the bus, from the bus driver. It should cost less than 2 €. Remember to keep the ticket if you wish to receive reimbursement for it.



If you arrive very late at night (after 10:30 pm), the only buses available might be night buses, which usually have very low frequency. In this case, we recommend to either walk to the hostel or call a taxi (Radio Taxi Alicante: +34 96 525 25 11). In this case, you should ask the taxi driver for a receipt. Please note that taxis might be expensive and you might exceed the maximum travel budget we can reimburse (see page 12 of this Infopack), if you use them.



Approval of the trip options



Please send us by email (luca.euroaccion@gmail.com) the option you have thought to choose before purchasing the tickets, including the means of transport you are thinking to use as well as the timetables.

Once we have received that information, we will read it, and from then on, there are two options:

1. We approve it, and we tell you so you can start buying the tickets.
2. We suggest any modification of the trip, regarding the timetables or the means of transport.

Then, we keep in contact with you to find a suitable solution for everybody.

KEEP IN MIND:

If you proceed to purchase the tickets without telling us your schedule plan or without waiting for us to give our approval, and there is a problem with the budget or the schedule, **travel cost won't be reimbursed.**



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Travel reimbursement 1

The money allocated to each participant to purchase the flights to and from Spain depends on the country from which they are leaving. The budget is allocated according to the distance between the participant's place of residence and the city where the Youth Exchange will take place (Alicante)

These rates are defined by Erasmus+ policy. We provide 100% of reimbursement, but only up to the amounts mentioned below.

Spain (Euroacción)		23 €	Per participant (roundtrip)
Spain (Spanish Red Cross)		23 €	Per participant (roundtrip)
Germany		275 €	Per participant (roundtrip)
Greece*		275/ 360 €	Per participant (roundtrip)
Palestine		530 €	Per participant (roundtrip)
Italy		275 €	Per participant (roundtrip)

- You can verify the distance of your place of residence to the city where the Youth Exchange will take place (Alicante) by using the [Erasmus+ distance calculator](#)
- * Only for Greek participants: if the distance from your place of residence to Alicante is > than 2000 km, you are entitled to a maximum reimbursement of 360 €; if the distance is < than 2000 km, you are entitled to a maximum reimbursement of 275 €.
- You can see as well the amount of the reimbursement for your travel in the table at page 145 of the [Erasmus+ Guide](#)

Travel reimbursement 2



Please keep all your travel **TICKETS, INVOICES, BOARDING PASSES** with you in order to be able to get the reimbursement for those costs.

If you would like to receive the travel reimbursement in cash before you leave Spain, you will have to inform us, at the latest, on the first day of the Youth Exchange.

Kindly note that you will have to provide us with all the relevant tickets/invoices, including the checked-in boarding pass of your outbound flight and train/bus to the airport by the last day of the Youth Exchange (**23 June 2024**).

Alternatively

You can send us all your tickets/invoices/boarding passes by email later on, and you will receive your reimbursement by bank transfer.

In this case, please be informed that unless you have electronic boarding passes/train-bus tickets, you will have to send us by post the original boarding passes/train-bus tickets.

Scanned versions cannot be accepted.

You are kindly requested to send us all the supporting documents within **15** days from the end of the Youth Exchange.



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Food

Breakfast

It will be served in the hostel each morning, before activities start

Lunch and dinner

Lunch and dinner will be served in the hostel as well

Snacks

Some snacks will be provided



IMPORTANT

If you are vegetarian, vegan, or if you have any food allergies/intolerances/restrictions, you will have the chance to inform us about it at a later stage, and we will provide you with the options that fit your dietary needs.

What to bring



- Bring some summer clothes, comfortable clothes and shoes for both indoor and outdoor activities.



- In June the average temperature varies from **18** to **27 degrees**, but it can be even higher. To keep track of the weather changes we recommend checking the weather forecast for Alicante before packing.



- Take into account that since in June the weather will be mostly sunny, you may need to take hats and solar cream.



- Furthermore, around the venue, there are shops, pharmacies and supermarkets if you want to buy your snacks, medicines or other commodities you may need during the course.



- However, if there is something specific that you use (e.g. specific medicine) please make sure you take it with you before.

Emergency numbers



General emergency telephone number: **112**



Local Police: **092**

National Police: **091**



Ambulance: **061**



Firefighters: **080**

Spanish Phone Code: **+34**

Euroacción phone contacts

During the Youth Exchange, Luca and Lorenzo will be at the venue, available for anything they could help with.

Preferably, before the Youth Exchange, you should contact us by email for any general query at

luca.euroaccion@gmail.com and

lorenzo.euroaccion@gmail.com

If there is an emergency during the Youth Exchange, you can call Luca or Lorenzo:

Luca's Phone Number: **+39 340 909 1660**

Lorenzo's Phone Number (WhatsApp): **+39 346 807 0717**

Lorenzo's Phone Number (calls): **+34 666 85 13 87**



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Pre-selection Google form to be filled out by all prospective participants

To apply for the YAAD Youth Exchange, please fill out this Google Form by **22-04-2024**.

The web link to the form is

<https://forms.gle/ogBFdpWUtGQW1ydC6>

The selection process will be carried out by the partner organizations in this project, mainly on the basis of candidates' motivation, but also considering factors like prior knowledge about the project topics, level of English, gender distribution and more. For information about the eligibility of participants and group leaders for this Youth Exchange, please see page 5 of this Infopack.



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