

## Call for Application



### *Local in Global – Prosperity without Growth?*

International training for youth workers, educators and multipliers

18/05 – 24/05/2019

Rîșcova, Moldova



**We are happy to invite you to an international training on social-ecological transformation!**

**What?** How can there be a *good life for all* within the ecological limits of our planet? That is the guiding question of this international training. It offers an opportunity to:

- ✓ deepen your understanding of the pros and cons of economic growth,
- ✓ discover alternative ways of living and doing economics,
- ✓ develop own ideas and interact with participants from six different countries,
- ✓ learn methods and approaches how to work with youngsters on the topic of sustainability.

**Why?** The predominant economic model of our time is based on unlimited growth and the exploitation of natural resources. But how can there be infinite growth on a finite planet?

Manifold crises – including climate change, increasing social disparities across the globe, large migration movements, an instable financial system and a loss of confidence in political institutions – indicate that the capitalist system is failing.

Together we will critically reflect upon the growth paradigm and explore paths to a *post-growth society* that is more democratic, solidary and sustainable, bringing together perspectives from Armenia, Bulgaria, Germany, Moldova, Poland and Ukraine. During the training, we will use different methods and approaches from the field of education for sustainable development that can be used afterwards also in the local contexts.

**How?** We will actively involve the participants and engage our brains, hearts and bodies. Our methodological approach includes theoretical inputs, discussions, reflections, cooperation games, best-practice examples, open space and others.

**Where?** Ecological Training Center in the Eco-Village Rîșcova, Moldova

The place is 35 km from Chisinau, Republic of Moldova. You will be accommodated in Eco-Village and partner hosts from the village. The conditions are rustic, with ecological elements and free WiFi. The whole place was built from wood, clay and straw using different techniques of construction. Eco-village is close to the forest and offers a variety of possibilities to spend your leisure time by connecting to the beautiful Moldovan nature. The standard diet during the training will be vegetarian. If you prefer a vegan diet or have specific dietary needs please indicate so in the registration form.

**When?** 18/05 – 24/05/2019

**Who?** 30 youth workers, educators, students, teachers, activists and other multipliers (5 per country) who are

- ✓ already active in youth work, education for sustainable development or global citizenship education and would like to learn new methods and approaches  
**or** who are interested in the topic and youth work, but have never done it before.  
Either way we invite you to apply!
- ✓ living in Armenia, Bulgaria, Germany, Moldova, Poland or Ukraine (18 years upwards), citizenship is not a precondition.
- ✓ able to communicate in English, as the training will be held in English.

We value diversity of backgrounds, experiences and work fields. Don't hesitate to get in touch with our national coordinators to find out more about the project.



**Costs?** There is a participation fee per person which includes full-board accommodation and program:  
ARM: 30€    BUL: 50€    GER: 150€    MOL: 20€    POL: 75€    UKR: 20€

Additionally, it is possible to refund travel expenses up to the following maximum amount:  
ARM: 275€    BUL: 275€    GER: 275€    MOL: 20€    POL: 275€    UKR: 180€

*Please note that only actual expenses will be reimbursed.*

**Timing?** Late arrivals and early leavings disturb the workflow and atmosphere. Please arrive not later than 18:00 on 18<sup>th</sup> May and leave no earlier than 12:00 on 24<sup>th</sup> May.

*We wish to reduce the ecological footprint of the event. That is why we ask participants to pool together and travel by bus or train, as far as possible. We can assist you with directions.*

#### **Want to apply?**

Please fill in the [application form](#) on our website.

#### **For further information please contact:**

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The deadline is **14 April 2019**.

