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EU0010000570	3 July 2017	DepicT! 2017 - Can you do it in 90 seconds?
EU0010000653	3 July 2017	EU Aid Volunteers initiative: Technical Assistance and Capacity Building
EU0010000280	3 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000280	6 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000280	10 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000453	13 July 2017	European Photo competition - My Europe, my rights
EU0010000184	15 July 2017	European Youth Award
EU0010002081	15 July 2017	Cedefop Photo Award
EU0010002130	15 July 2017	UniPlaces Scholarship
EU0010002144	16 July 2017	Eurodesk Brussels Link-Communication Internship
EU0010002142	16 July 2017	Eurodesk Brussels Link - Web Editor Internship

EU0010000181	17 July 2017	Traineeships and student summer jobs at the European Investment Bank
EU0010002139	18 July 2017	Travel film scholarship 2017
EU0010000280	20 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000280	25 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000483	25 July 2017	Roma Education Fund Scholarships Programme
EU0010000280	25 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000280	26 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000280	27 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre
EU0010000461	28 July 2017	World Bank Youth Professionals Programme
EU0010000630	31 July 2017	Youth Citizen Entrepreneurship Competition
EU0010000586	31 July 2017	Traineeships at the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
EU0010000280	31 July 2017	Traineeship at the Joint Research Centre

Documentation

Modernisation of Higher Education in Europe: Academic Staff - 2017

The Eurydice report explores the current realities for academic staff within the changing higher education landscape in Europe. It focuses on the qualification requirements for academic staff, the recruitment process, employment and working conditions in academia, the impact of external quality assurance, and top level strategies for internationalisation. It also includes national diagrams showing key characteristics of academic staff categories. The report is based mainly on qualitative data gathered by the Eurydice Network, covering higher education systems in 35 countries. The data collection focused on academic higher education staff who are primarily responsible for teaching and/or research. In addition, quantitative data from Eurostat and the European Education Tertiary Register (ETER) are also used, as well as information gathered from surveys developed for this report to academic staff Trade Unions and Quality Assurance agencies.

<http://bit.ly/2sCKpgf>

Youth policy - the essentials

Published by the EU-CoE youth partnership, the document offers an overview of the youth policy: its main concepts, principles, and challenges, in a visually captivating way and using clear, plain and simple language.

The initiative for this document is associated to the symposium on "Youth policy responses to contemporary challenges young people face", organised by the partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of youth, on 12th-14th June 2017 in Prague, in the framework of the Czech Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe.

<http://bit.ly/2rZrP0W>

Human Rights Education in action - Practices of Human Rights Education with and by young people

Published by the Council of Europe, the present publication highlights 16 projects within the field of Human Rights Education and aims to give an insight into the variety and wealth of youth work practices in this area. Projects are presented in three chapters which reflect priority areas of the youth sector of the Council of Europe: Participation of young people in democratic processes, Young people's access to social rights and Promotion of inclusive and peaceful societies. The publication also aims to support other organisations and individuals in reproducing some of these examples in their own work or be inspired to develop their own examples.

<http://bit.ly/2tqFKhp>

Guides for youth NGOs

Published by Youth and Environment Europe, the publication provides useful tips on strategic planning, sustainable principles, sustainable project management, human resources and learning organisation.

<http://bit.ly/2s87NhG>

Young People & Extremism: Resource Pack for Youth Workers and Additional Materials

Produced by SALTO Cultural Diversity, the publication aims to provide theoretical and practical support to youth workers, and to provide information and insight to policy-makers, youth and education practitioners and other organisations involved in responding to the risks from radicalisation and extremism. The resource pack offers ideas, examples and practical techniques through which youth workers, community workers, policymakers and those who work with young people can engage with challenging questions and better understand the context young people are living in. It explores the role of youth work with an international dimension, and of non-formal learning more generally, in responding to the risks to young people from different forms of extremism. The pack also includes a number of case studies (showing how some of these techniques have been put into practice) and tools and practical ideas.

<http://bit.ly/2u7KZQQ>

<http://bit.ly/2sasCto>

ERASMUS+mobile app

The app allows participants to easily track their progress before, during and after their mobility; to share and vote for their preferred tips to help others integrate into the local community; and to improve their language skills via a direct link to the Erasmus+ Online Linguistic Support platform.

Erasmus+ Mobile App is available on [Google Play Store](#) and [iTunes App Store](#).

EU Skills Profile Tool for Third Country Nationals

Developed by the European Commission, the tool aims to support early identification of the skills of refugees, migrants and other third country nationals. The tool is intended for use by any service that may be offering assistance services to third country nationals and aims to get to know the individual, their skills and experiences and provide recommendations on next steps. The tool is not intended to recognise or authenticate skills.

The tool will be available in all EU and EEA languages and in Arabic, Farsi, Pashto, Sorani, Somali and Tigrinya.

<http://bit.ly/2sXGSsB>

i-EVAL, online platform for Evaluation of International Youth Exchanges

Every organisation across Europe can use the online tool for the self-evaluation of international youth exchanges, with

questionnaires for participants and staff members. Results will be completely anonymous and can be evaluated statistically and graphically. i-EVAL is provided in English, German, French and Polish and can be used by everyone free of charge.

<https://www.i-eval.eu>

Opportunities

James Dyson Award 2017

The aim of the award is to support current and recent graduates of design or engineering who have a problem-solving idea. The award is open to product design, industrial design, and engineering university students or graduates within the past 4 years, who have studied in Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, China, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, India, Italy, Korea, Japan, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Russia, Singapore, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, UK and USA.

Teams are also encouraged to enter, provided at least one team member studies (or has studied within 4 years) product design, industrial design, or engineering at university. Entrants are invited to submit sketches and images of models and prototypes demonstrating the research and development process (including testing and design for manufacture).

Deadline: **20th July 2017**, 11:59 EST.

Find out more: <http://www.jamesdysonaward.org>

Roma Education Fund Scholarships Programme 2017-2018

The Programme offers open merit-based competition academic scholarships for Roma students pursuing Bachelor, Master, or Doctorate degrees at state-accredited universities in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Turkey and Ukraine.

Deadlines:

- first stage application: **25th July 2017**.

- second stage application: Autumn.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2sxweK8>

World Bank Youth Professionals Programme

The Young Professionals Programme is a unique opportunity for young people who have both a passion for international development and the potential to become future global leaders. The Programme is designed for highly qualified and motivated individuals skilled in areas relevant to the World Bank's operations such as economics, finance, education, public health, social sciences, engineering, urban planning, agriculture, natural resources and others; as well as to the World Bank's corporate areas such as communications, information technology, human resources and corporate finance. Candidates need to have at least three years of relevant professional experience related to development or continued academic study at the doctoral level. They need to demonstrate a commitment to development, proven academic success, professional achievement, and leadership capability. Selected candidates are offered a 5-year term contract, spend 24 months in a structured training program, and enjoy a wealth of benefits and opportunities. Candidates should have a citizenship of a member country of the World Bank, be 32

years of age or younger (i.e. born on or after October 1st 1985), have a PhD or Master's degree and relevant work experience, be fluent in English and have a specialisation in a field relevant to the World Bank Technical/Operations.

Deadline: **28th July 2017**.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/Rlx1VJ>

Traineeships at the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

The European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) is offering traineeship programmes enabling trainees to put into practice the knowledge they have acquired during their academic studies or professional careers in the areas of science, communication or administration.

The traineeship is open to citizens of EU Member States, from EEA, EFTA and from countries benefiting from a pre-accession strategy, who have completed the first cycle of a higher education course and obtained a full degree or its equivalent by the date of the application, with a good knowledge of English (minimum level: B2 according to CEFR). Traineeships are offered for a minimum of five up to a maximum of twelve months. Trainees will be awarded a grant of € 1,120 per month.

Deadline: **31st July 2017**, midnight CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2qT3Cc7>

Lifelong Learning Awards (LLLAwards)

Launched by the Lifelong Learning Platform, the awards aims to celebrate educational practices from all over Europe that can demonstrate the use of creative and inclusive learning methods with outstanding results and the potential to be replicated and/or of inspiring others. The Awards are not limited to a particular sector; lifelong learning covers education and training across all ages and in all areas of life be it formal, non-formal or informal. The aim of the LLLAwards is to give visibility to such practices in order to attract public attention as well as to inspire new practices and policies in the field. The focus of the 2017 LLLAwards edition is education in the digital era tackling different aspects on how this technological development is affecting and transforming educational practices. The LLLPlatform will reward three outstanding initiatives or projects under the following three categories:

- Education and Democracy;
- Education and Social Inclusion;
- Education and Innovative Pedagogy.

The Lifelong Learning Platform will hand out awards to three outstanding initiatives during its Lifelong Learning Week in September 2017 in the European Parliament in Brussels, Belgium.

Deadline: **31st July 2017**, midnight CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2mrYXws>

Altiero Spinelli Prize for Outreach: Spreading Knowledge about Europe

Launched by the European Commission, the Prize aims to reward outstanding contributions that communicate the EU founding values, history, action and key benefits to wider society, enhance citizens' understanding of the EU, broaden the ownership of the European project and build trust in the EU. The prize is open to individuals or groups of individuals (natural persons). The individual applicant (or the group leader, in case of groups of individuals applying) must have at least a Master's Degree and must, at the time of the application, be affiliated with a legal entity such as, for example, an academic institution, organisation, civil society organisation, company or other type of legal entity established and based in an EU Member State. Participants include scientists, artists, scholars/researchers, writers, journalists and all kinds of other actors who can contribute to articulating what Europe stands for today and tomorrow and why European citizens should "fall in love with Europe" despite its imperfections. There will be six first prizes of 50,000 EUR, six second prizes of 30,000 EUR, ten third prizes of 17,000 EUR.

The Award Ceremony will be held in early 2018.

Deadlines:

- **16th August 2017**, 23:59 (CET) for [registrations](#);
- **2nd October 2017**, 12:00 (CET) for submitting applications.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2tnnVR8>

Call for proposals EAC/S16/2017-Sport as a tool for integration and social inclusion of refugees

Launched by the European Commission, the call aims at supporting local sport projects focused on the integration of refugees. Approximately 20 projects will be selected. Projects should involve local sport organisations and take into account gender equality, in particular by involving women refugees in sport activities. The call is addressed to public or private organisations, active in the sport field that have their registered legal office in one of the 28 EU Member States. Activities must have a proven gender balance methodology and include a balanced participation of men and women.

Activities must take place in the EU Member States between 1st January and 31st December 2018. The maximum grant will be 60,000 euros.

The Commission expects to fund approximately 20 proposals.

Deadline: **18th August 2017**, 16:00 CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2tB1879>

Call for proposals EAC/S17/2017-Monitoring and coaching, through sports, of youngsters at risk of radicalisation

Launched by the European Commission, the call aims at supporting sport-related projects organised by local actors and civil society that focus on prevention of marginalisation and radicalisation, in particular in helping youngsters at risk of exclusion and of radicalisation to find an identity and a sense of belonging. Projects should aim at teaching essential skills such as social and communicative competences, critical thinking

and problem solving, that can help youngsters at the margin of societies to feel reengaged into society. Projects should involve EU local sport organisation that, in cooperation with local authorities responsible for radicalisation and terrorism, will identify people at risk of radicalisation and will offer them appropriate coaching so to try prevent radicalisation processes. The call is addressed to public or private organisations with proved successful experiences in dealing with radicalisation processes that have their registered legal office in one of the 28 EU Member States. Activities must take place in the EU-Member States between 1st January and 31st December 2018. The maximum grant will be 60,000 euros. The Commission expects to fund approximately 15 proposals.

Deadline: **18th August 2017**, 16:00 CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2uaeiCD>

Please also look at the Opportunities folder within the Eurodesk intranet for news on European and international (funding) opportunities.

Highlights

Eurodesk survey on youth information services

As one of the main providers of European youth information, Eurodesk believes that youth mobility strongly contributes to broaden one's horizons, improves employability, stimulates creativity and learning, and develops competences that allow people to positively interact in an intercultural society. So what is the trigger to empower young people to be mobile? With this survey, Eurodesk would like to better understand which are the information needs to improve the quality of youth information. The survey is available in English, German, Spanish, French, Italian, Hungarian, Dutch, Polish, Romanian and Turkish. It will be open until 10th September 2017.

<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/EurodeskSurvey2017>

Erasmus Mundus: 38 New Joint Master Degree Programmes

The European Commission has announced the selection of 38 new Erasmus Mundus joint master degree programmes. These new programmes cover a wide range of areas from chemical nano-engineering to documentary film-making and from social work with families to tropical forestry. Together they involve 186 partner universities and almost 600 associate organisations, also representing the world of work, from 84 different countries. These new 38 programmes will soon be added to the Erasmus Mundus Catalogue. As from October or November 2017, these and other Erasmus Mundus programmes will offer EU-funded scholarships to students from all over the world to start a master programme in autumn 2018.

<http://bit.ly/2toFzTQ>

European Youth Event back in 2018

EYE2018, the third edition of the European Youth Event for and by young people, will be back in 2018 from 1st to 2nd June in Strasbourg, France. Once again the European Parliament will open its doors to more than 8,000 people aged between 16 and 30 (as of June 2018) from any EU member State or another European country. They will have the unique opportunity to make their voices heard and to come up with innovative ideas for the future of Europe. Participants will get the chance to discuss them with political decision-makers and inspiring personalities on the European stage.

EYE2018 will include a wide range of activities in English, French and German run under the motto "The plan is to fan this spark into a flame." (Hamilton, My Shot).

The activities will focus around five main themes:

- Young and old: Keeping up with the digital revolution
- Rich and poor: Calling for a fair share
- Apart and together: Working out for a stronger Europe
- Safe and dangerous: Staying alive in turbulent times

- Local and global: Protecting our planet
EYE participants will be able to register as a group, with a minimum of 10 participants, from October to December 2017.
<http://bit.ly/1jbzeT4>

2nd Erasmus Impact Study-European survey on attitudes towards international mobility

Conducted by CHE Consult and ICF upon the initiative of the European Commission, the survey explores the attitudes towards international mobility.

Every participant who completes the survey will receive individualised feedback on their own personality traits such as curiosity, confidence and decisiveness, and their values will be compared to those of thousands of individuals across Europe. Answers are highly valued and will feed into the European study on the impact of transnational mobility on individuals (students, alumni and staff) and help to improve future policy framework. The survey is entirely anonymous, the data analysis is confidential and no individual data will be shared with any third parties. The questionnaire is available [here](#) in English, French and German.

Public consultation on the "Recommendation on Promoting social inclusion and shared values through formal and non-formal learning".

Launched by the European Commission, the consultation is part of the follow-up of the Paris Declaration on promoting citizenship and the values of freedom, tolerance and non-discrimination through education.

It aims to gather input on the following questions:

- How successful are education and training in helping young people acquire shared values and promoting social inclusion? What are the key challenges? What objectives should be pursued in this context?
- Which are the most effective policy approaches, tools and methods in formal and non-formal learning?
- How can EU level cooperation in the fields of education and training add value and support Member States in the most effective way in promoting social inclusion and shared values through formal and non-formal learning?

The consultation is open to the general public and will inform policies that promote social inclusion and the ownership of shared values through education, while also helping to prevent violent extremism.

The survey is available in all official EU languages at <http://bit.ly/2swD4zr> until 11th August 2017.

EU-CoE youth partnership Survey on Mapping Educational and Career paths of youth workers in Europe

The mapping is contributing to recognition of youth work and follows directly the implementation of the recently adopted

Recommendation CM/Rec(2017)4 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on youth work.

There is high interest and expectation from this initiative from policy-makers and youth work practitioners at all levels in Europe.

The survey aims at contributing to a better understanding and sharing of information about the education and training of youth workers across Europe and what employment/career paths it prepares them for. The survey is open to correspondents of the European Knowledge Centre on Youth Policy, government representatives with responsibility for youth policy, education and training institutions, and, especially on the non-formal educational paths, youth organisations, members of the Advisory Council on Youth and members of the European Youth Forum (YFJ), as well as representatives of other organisations delivering youth work.

The data collected will be part of a report by the EU-CoE youth partnership.

The survey is available [here](#) until **10th July 2017**.

<http://bit.ly/2t1TqPX>

Jayathma Wickramanayake new Envoy on Youth

On 20th June, United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres appointed Jayathma Wickramanayake of Sri Lanka as his next Envoy on Youth. She will succeed Ahmad Alhendawi of Jordan to whom the Secretary-General is grateful for his dedicated service in addressing the needs and rights of young people, bringing the work of the United Nations closer to them. Having represented and motivated global youth development on an international level since the age of 21, notably during high-level United Nations initiatives including the declaration of World Youth Skills Day, Ms. Wickramanayake has also played a key role in transforming the youth development sector at the national level, notably through the creation of a large movement for civic and political engagement of young people named "Hashtag Generation." In this role, the Envoy on Youth is expected to expand the UN's youth engagement and advocacy efforts across all four pillars of work: sustainable development, human rights, peace and security and humanitarian action.

The Envoy on Youth will play a lead role in realising the Secretary-General's vision on youth, which places young people as a cross-cutting priority of the UN; ensures that young people's perspectives are reflected across all pillars of the UN's work; and places young people's interests at the centre of the Secretary-General's agenda for crisis prevention and sustaining peace by leveraging their talents, energy and innovation in addressing youth challenges and fostering opportunities.

<http://bit.ly/2sSQAgj>

UN Human Rights Council calls for "full realisation of all human rights & fundamental freedoms for youth"

During its 35th Session the United Nations Human Rights Council adopted, on 22nd June 2017, a Resolution on youth and human rights, signalling a step forward for the global youth rights

agenda. Urging member states to work to identify best practices regarding the full and effective enjoyment of human rights by young people, the Resolution will aid the work of identifying and addressing discrimination of young people in their exercise of their human rights. To that end, the Resolution also encourages the contributions of international human rights bodies and the work of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth in "identifying and addressing obstacles to the enjoyment of all human rights for youth."

<http://bit.ly/2txD2qg>

Eurostat release: May 2017 Euro area unemployment rate

According to Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union, in May 2017, 3.763 million young persons (under 25) were unemployed in the EU28, of whom 2.622 million were in the Euro area. Compared with May 2016, youth unemployment decreased by 584 000 in the EU28 and by 401 000 in the Euro area.

In May 2017, the youth unemployment rate was 16.9% in the EU28 and 18.9% in the Euro area, compared with 19.0% and 21.3% respectively in May 2016. In May 2017, the lowest rate was observed in Germany (6.7%), while the highest were recorded in Greece (46.6% in March 2017), Spain (38.6%) and Italy (37.0%).

<http://bit.ly/2tIbaAW>

Eurostat release: Fourth quarter of 2017 Euro area job vacancy rate

According to Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union, the job vacancy rate in the Euro area (EA19) was 1.9% in the first quarter of 2017, up from 1.7% recorded in both the previous quarter and the first quarter of 2016. The job vacancy rate in the EU28 was also 1.9% in the first quarter of 2017, up from 1.8% recorded in both the previous quarter and the first quarter of 2016. In the Euro area, the job vacancy rate in the first quarter of 2017 was 1.5% in industry and construction, and 2.2% in services. In the EU28, the rate was 1.6% in industry and construction, and 2.2% in services. Among the Member States for which comparable data are available, the highest job vacancy rates in the first quarter of 2017 were recorded in the Czech Republic (3.1%), Belgium (2.9% in the fourth quarter of 2016), Finland and Sweden (both 2.7%) as well as Germany (2.6%). In contrast, the lowest rates were observed in Spain (0.8%), Portugal (0.9%), Bulgaria, Ireland, Greece, Poland and Slovakia (all 1.0%). Compared with the same quarter of the previous year and among the Member States for which data are comparable over time (see country notes), the job vacancy rate in the first quarter of 2017 rose in twenty Member States and remained stable in seven. The largest increases were registered in Belgium (+0.7 percentage points between the fourth quarter of 2015 and the fourth quarter of 2016), the Czech Republic (+0.6 pp) and Estonia (+0.5 pp).

<http://bit.ly/2smlgH9>

Please also look at the News folder within the Eurodesk intranet for other European news from the network.

Upcoming Events

EURES Job Days

Thinking about finding a job in another EU country?
EURES Job Mobility Portal organises job days all over Europe.

Find out more: <https://www.europeanjobdays.eu/en>

1st July-31st December 2017: Estonian EU Council Presidency

As of 1st July 2017 Estonia is holding the Presidency of the Council of the European Union for the first time since the country joined the EU in 2004. It will be the first of a new Trio Presidency, composed of Estonia, Bulgaria and Austria. This will be the first time Estonia holds the rotating presidency. Under the motto "Unity through balance", the Estonian Presidency will focus on an open and innovative European economy, a safe and secure Europe, a digital Europe and the free movement of data and an inclusive and sustainable Europe.

In the youth field, the Presidency will focus on three priority topics:

- **Future of young people and the youth field in EU.** The issue of how better support and engage youth is under high importance in the current political agenda of EU. Discussions have started on the next EU Youth Strategy for the post-2018 period. In co-operation with the trio partners Bulgaria and Austria, European Youth Forum and European Commission, the Presidency aims to focus on the involvement of young people into the development of the next EU Youth Strategy in the frame of the 6th Cycle of the Structured Dialogue, titled: "Youth in Europe: what's next?". The next cycle is also expected to further improve the process of dialogue between young people and policy makers.

- **Smart youth work,** directly linked to the focus on digital solutions of the Estonian Presidency and to the national strategy of smart youth work adopted in December 2016 in Estonia. It is also based on the work done by the international expert group on risks and opportunities of digitalisation to youth, youth work and youth policy. The Presidency aims to introduce the term and the concept of smart youth work on European level and draw up Council Conclusions on smart youth work.

- **Youth volunteering,** one of the cornerstones of the European youth field. The European Commission has recently published a study on the impact of transnational volunteering through the European Voluntary Service programme. Furthermore, on 30th of May, the European Commission published the proposal for the regulation of European Solidarity Corps, which is aimed to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in solidarity activities as a means to contribute to strengthening cohesion and solidarity in Europe. The Presidency acknowledges the high political priority of this legislative initiative and is fully committed to take this file further during the Estonian Presidency.

Find out more: <https://www.eu2017.ee>

9th-16th August 2017: 25th Sziget Festival, Óbudai Island, Hungary
For an entire week in August the Óbudai island, in the middle of the Danube just outside Budapest, will become a self-contained party city, a temporary home of a multitude of international stars, Hungarian bands, performers, DJs, theatre groups, acrobats, humorists, dancers, puppeteers and thousands of young people from around the world. The aim of this multi-cultural event is to provide a variety of cultural programmes for the many European and international visitors who will attend the week long festival.

Find out more: <http://szigetfestival.com>

31st July-8th August 2017: European BEST Engineering Competition (EBEC), Brno, Czech Republic

EBEC is a series of engineering competitions organised by BEST (Board of European Students of Technology). EBEC is the biggest engineering contest in Europe with 3 different competition levels. The team which proves to be the most efficient, creative and successful at the end of competition finale is granted the “BEST Engineers of Europe” title.

Find out more: <http://ebec.best.eu.org>

11th -15th September 2017: Entrepreneurship School, Athens, Greece

The course is addressed to young people interested in widening their business horizon and developing their own entrepreneurial ideas. During the 5-day programme, focusing on social entrepreneurship, participants from all around the world will have the opportunity to meet and challenge the most successful entrepreneurs. They will meet, discuss and compete against participants, share opinions and experiences with successful entrepreneurs and will also have the chance to contribute towards developing a new business start-up idea in an interactive way. Participation is free for all selected participants.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2tpTOs1>

23rd-30th September 2017: European Week of Sport, Europe

The European Week of Sport aims to promote sport and physical activity across Europe. The Week is for everyone, regardless of age, background or fitness level. With a focus on grassroots initiatives, it will inspire Europeans to #BeActive on a regular basis and create opportunities in peoples’ everyday lives to exercise more.

Find out more: http://ec.europa.eu/sport/week/index_en.htm

9th-13th October 2017: 6th ASEF Rectors’ Conference and Students’ Forum (ARC6), Singapore

Representatives from academia, governments, business and industry, students and youth associations as well as NGOs and

IGOs will gather at the Conference and Students' Forum to address the topic of "Future Universities and Graduate: Quality Education Beyond the Horizon". Students Forum participants should be citizens of any of the [51 Asia-Europe Meeting \(ASEM\) partner countries](#), students and student association leaders engaged in academic affairs and student life from all levels (undergraduate, graduate and doctoral), aged between 18 and 30 years old, with a strong command of English (written and verbal). They should be able to actively participate in the 6-week online preparatory phase.

Accommodation, meals and travel subsidy will be provided for the selected participants. There are no registration fees.

Deadline to apply: **16th July 2017**, 23:59 GMT.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2t92AcL>

23rd-26th October 2017: Dealing with Refugees: from challenges to opportunities, Amman, Jordan

The Conference aims to identify the possible paths of positive integration of refugees in the hosting countries and to empower the NGOs/youth work organisations to use innovative methods and approaches for better integrating refugees in the local community considering all the possible limitations due the national regulations.

Youth workers, trainers, youth leaders and youth policy makers from Jordan and Erasmus+: Youth in Action Programme countries are invited to apply by **7th August 2017**.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2s6r0AY>

6th-10th November 2017: XII Tool Fair, Varna, Bulgaria

The 12th edition of the Tool Fair Waves of Innovation will provide a stimulating environment for innovative pedagogical approaches & practices to respond to the challenges of an everlasting changing context with a focus on the European Commission Youth Priorities for 2018. Youth workers, trainers and youth leaders, project managers, youth policy makers, evs mentors/tutors from Erasmus+ Youth in Action programme countries and partners countries neighbouring the EU are invited to take part.

Deadline to apply: **17th July 2017**.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2twAh6j>

8th-10th November 2017: World Forum for Democracy 2017, Strasbourg, France

Under the theme "Is Populism a Problem?", the sixth edition of the Forum will engage with young people, decision-makers and opinion-formers to review novel initiatives and approaches which can enhance democratic practices and help parties and media, but also other political actors, to re-connect to citizens, make informed choices and function optimally in 21st century

democracy. Young participants, from 16 to 30 years old, residents in Europe, actively involved in civil society democracy initiatives, available to participate fully in the World Forum for Democracy and the preparation process beforehand are invited to apply. Participants will have to submit the [application form](#) and post a short 1-minute video on the subject "What does populism mean to you?" on YouTube, with the link attached to the online application form. Selected participants will be invited to join a Youth Training from 6th to 7th November 2017. The common working language of the event will be English. Travel expenses and visa costs will be reimbursed by the Council of Europe. Board and lodging are provided and paid for by the Council of Europe (arrival on Sunday 5th November and departure on Saturday 11th November).

Deadline to apply: **11th July 2017**, 13:00 CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2tsLnJv>

27th November-1st December 2017: Conference “Youth Work Against Violent Radicalisation” Malta

The Conference aims to raise awareness about the role of youth work against violent radicalisation. The event is part of long term strategy that is realising for 2017 a mapping exercise of inspiring practises of NGOs working on the topic.

Youth workers, youth leaders, and youth policy makers from Erasmus+: Youth in Action Programme countries and Partner Countries Neighbouring the EU are invited to apply by **1st September 2017**.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2tC5CVp>

Salto-Youth: Training Calendar

The European Training Calendar contains current training offers of different institutions and organisations, such as SALTO, the National Agencies for the YOUTH IN ACTION Programme, non-governmental youth organisations, the European Youth Centres of the Council of Europe and the Partnership Programme on European Youth Worker Training. They are addressed to young people, group leaders, mentors, trainers and other specialists.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/1ppG1uS>

Coming up: European Festivals

European and worldwide Rock Festivals – although the layout is simple, the website has an extensive list of festivals.

<http://www.britishrock.cc/portal/festival/index.php>

A general site, with links to cultural events and festivals, not only rock festivals, in Europe.

<http://www.bugbog.com/festivals>

Music Festivals Europe 2017

<http://www.festivalsearcher.com/festivallists.aspx?region=europe>

Europe Music Festivals 2017

<http://www.musicfestivaljunkies.com/all-festivals>

Searching for more background information on festivals, have a look at Wiki.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rock_festival

Eurodesk Brussels Link Activities

6 June 2017	Online Prepteam meeting for the Multipliers' Seminar. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
7 June 2017	Webinar "Competence profile of Eurodesk Mobility Advisor". Participant from EBL: Audrey.
8 June 2017	Online Preparation Eurodesk Multipliers Seminar. Participant from EBL: Audrey, Gheorghe.
8 June 2017	Online meeting with ERYICA and EYCA on a Best Practice Publication. Participant from EBL: Zsolt.
9 June 2017	Meeting with Eures. Location: EBL. Participants from EBL: Audrey, Grazia.
13-16 June 2017	Eurodesk Multipliers Seminar. Location: Welsh Office/EBL. All EBL participated.
14 June 2017	Eurodesk Awards. Location: Welsh Office/EBL. All EBL participated.
18-21 June 2017	Eurodesk France National Meeting. Location: Nice, France. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
19 June 2017	Erasmusx10 Campaign. Location: EYF. Participants from EBL: Grazia, Zsolt.
20 June 2017	Conference "Time to be welcome: youth work and integration of young refugees". Location: Brussels. Participant from EBL: Alicia.
22 June 2017	Meeting with Weelingua about educational games. Location: EBL. Participants from EBL: Audrey, Denise, Zsolt.
26-28 June 2017	Executive Committee Meeting. Location: EBL. Participants from EBL: Audrey, Zsolt.
27 June 2017	European Solidarity Corps - Interactive Workshop. Location: European Parliament. Participant from EBL: Grazia.

27 June 2017	European Badge Alliance Conference. Location: European Parliament. Participant from EBL: Elena.
28 June 2017	Eurodesk, Eryica, EYCA Boards meeting. Location: EBL. Participants from EBL: Audrey.
29 June 2017	EYP editorial meeting. Location: EAC. Participants from EBL: Audrey, Gheorghe, Grazia.
29 June 2017	Erasmus+ Coalition meeting organised by LLLPlatform and European Youth Forum. Location: LLLPlatform. Participant from EBL: Audrey
30 June 2017	Webinar Time to Move 2017. Participants from EBL: Audrey, Zsolt.
