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## Documentation

### **Erasmus+ Programme Guide 2018**

The programme guide provides information on the priorities of the programme, the actions supported, the funding available for different actions and detailed information on participation. Throughout the Guide, a special focus is put on encouraging projects supporting social inclusion (notably of refugees and migrants), as well as preventing radicalisation. The Guide is available in 23 languages.

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

### **National Student Fee and Support Systems in European Higher Education 2017/18**

The Report, published by the European Commission's Eurydice network, aims to provide an overview of the main features of national fee and support systems as well as more detailed information on each individual country. Forty-two national sheets present the reality of fees and financial support available to students in public or government-dependent private higher education institutions in short cycle, first and second cycle students in 2017/18. In particular, the publication describes the range of fees charged to national, EU and international students and specifies the categories of students that are required to pay, and those that may be exempt. Similarly, it explains the types and amounts of public support available in the form of grants and loans, as well as tax benefits and family allowances where applicable. Information covers the 28 EU Member States as well as Bosnia and Herzegovina, Switzerland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Norway, Serbia and Turkey.

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

### **European Solidarity Corps and volunteering**

The study, requested by the European Parliament CULT committee, provides an in-depth assessment of the Commission's legislative proposal for the establishment of the European Solidarity Corps. The European Solidarity Corps aim to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high quality solidarity activities that benefit communities and people around the EU. The Report focuses on the added value of the European Solidarity Corps, challenges linking EU programmes and the complementarity to paid employment.

<http://bit.ly/2i7b10a>

### **Beyond Disabilities, European Mobility For All! A practical guide for organisations interested in European mobility activities involving young people with disabilities**

This guide is the outcome of the experience accumulated through the implementation of mobility projects involving young people with disabilities within the Erasmus+ Programme. It aims at providing any organisation considering the development of such

projects with methodological and practical information. The guide focuses on the implementation of Erasmus+ projects fostering the participation of young people themselves and that do not form part of the formal education environment: youth exchanges and European Voluntary Services.

<http://bit.ly/2zagZ9K> (EN)

<http://bit.ly/2gRcflg> (FR)

### **The life of women and men in Europe - A statistical portrait - 2017 edition**

There are large differences between the lives of women and men in Europe, but there are also similarities. This new digital publication aims at comparing women and men in their daily lives. It shows how similar or different the everyday life of women and men is in European countries. The publication (containing short texts, interactive visualisation tools, quiz, infographics, photos) has been developed by Eurostat in collaboration with the National Statistical Institutes of the EU Member States and the EFTA countries and is available in most of their official languages.

<http://bit.ly/2l2IeQG>

### **European Youth Ideas**

New European Parliament platform launched in the context of the European Youth Event (EYE2018). From here young people can come up with proposals for the future of Europe. Ideas can be proposed under five main topics: working out for a stronger Europe, staying alive in turbulent times, protecting our planet, European elections 2019: how to increase youth turnout?, calling for a fair share. The most developed and popular ideas will be selected to kick-off the discussion in a number of activities at the EYE or will be included in the EYE Report, which will be distributed to all Members of the European Parliament in autumn 2018. <https://www.europeanyouthideas.eu>

### **Etwinning App**

The App gives access to the eTwinning online community and informs its users about important updates, events and actions that have taken place on the platform. From there staff (teachers, head teachers, librarians) working in a school in one of the European countries involved can communicate, collaborate, develop projects, share and, in short, feel and be part of a learning community in Europe.

The application is available on the major mobile stores, such as [Google Play](#) and the [App Store](#).

### **Coyote magazine website**

The website offers the latest news and updates on the Coyote Youth Work Magazine which has been published since 1999 by the EU-CoE youth partnership. The magazine focuses on important issues in and around youth work in Europe and beyond. It is

addressed to practitioners, members of youth organisations, researchers and policy makers.

<http://pjp-eu.coe.int/en/web/coyote-magazine>

## Opportunities

### **Your Europe, Your Say (YEYS) 2018**

The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) is inviting secondary school pupils from the 28 EU Member States and from the 5 official EU candidates countries (Albania, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, and Turkey) to join the simulated youth plenary session and see how the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) decision-making process works in relation to a specific subject, which this year is "United in diversity: a younger future for European culture". Schools wishing to take part must register online through the EESC's Internet site by **24<sup>th</sup> November 2017**. Only one registration form per school will be accepted.

After registration has closed, one school from each of the participating countries will be picked at random to take part in the workshops in Brussels, Belgium.

The selected schools will then choose three students in their pre-final year of secondary education (aged 16 years) to represent them, as well as a teacher who will accompany them. These people will have to be able to express themselves in English.

The event will take place in Brussels at the headquarters of the European Economic and Social Committee from 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018. The EESC will pay the travel and accommodation expenses of the students and accompanying teacher.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2z16zfa>

### **The Global Study Awards**

Launched by StudyPortals, together with ISIC Association and British Council IELTS, the awards offer students the chance to receive up to £10,000 to expand their horizon and study abroad. Eligible applicants are students worldwide:

- who are at least eighteen years old as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017,
- who have taken an IELTS test at a British Council centre, and received an official Test Report Form (TRF) issued by the British Council after 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016,
- who have a valid International Student Identity Card (ISIC) and/or International Youth Travel Card (IYTC) at the time of application,
- who plan to enrol on a full-time undergraduate or postgraduate programme abroad in spring term of 2018.
- who can provide an acceptance letter from the relevant institution by the relevant cut-off date,
- who can write a short review of their study experience at STeXX.com

An individual global study award has a maximum value of £10,000. If tuition fees are below the maximum individual award fund of £10,000, the remaining funds may be allocated per diem for living

costs for a maximum of 52 weeks starting from when the student first registered at the higher education institution.

Deadline: **27<sup>th</sup> November 2017** for the Spring 2018 intake (studies starting between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018).

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

### **Google Europe Scholarship for Students with Disabilities**

The scholarship is addressed to students with disabilities who are pursuing university degrees in the field of computer science, computer engineering, informatics, or a closely related technical field at a University in Europe or Israel. Candidates should be currently enrolled at a university in Europe for the 2017-2018 academic year or intend to be enrolled or accepted as a full-time or part-time student in a Bachelor's, Master's or PhD programme at a university in Europe for the 2018-2019 academic year.

The best candidates will each receive a 7,000 EUR (or equivalent) scholarship for the 2017/2018 academic year.

Deadline to apply: **1<sup>st</sup> December 2017**, 11:59 pm GMT.

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

### **Erasmus+ Key Action 3 - Support for Civil Society Cooperation in the field of Education and Training and Youth**

The objective of the call is to provide structural support, referred to as operating grant, to European non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and EU-wide networks active in the field of education and training or in the field of youth through the two following lots:

1. Civil Society Cooperation in the field of Education and Training (Lot 1)
2. Civil Society Cooperation in the field of Youth (Lot 2).

Non-governmental and not-for-profit-making organisations from EU Member States, the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), the European Economic Area (EEA), and from candidate countries (Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey) are invited to apply by **14<sup>th</sup> December 2017**, 12:00 (midday, Brussels time).

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

### **DanceWEB - European Scholarship Programme for Contemporary Dance**

The Scholarship Programme offers around 65 young professional dancers, preferably between 22 and 30 years old, the possibility to take part in an intense multinational training programme. The Programme is a 5-week residency taking place from 11<sup>th</sup> July to 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in Vienna within the framework of the ImPulsTanz festival. The programme focuses on the exchange of ideas and knowledge, further training and meeting with internationally renowned artists gathering in Vienna at ImPulsTanz. A scholarship includes individual coaching by artistic mentors, participation in the research projects and in the technique workshops, admission to all performances of ImPulsTanz, exchange



of ideas and contact with the international trainers and choreographers and accommodation in Vienna for the period of the scholarship programme.

Deadline: **15<sup>th</sup> December 2017**, noon CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/1M57U4a>

**Support for information measures relating to the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) 2017**

The Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) is crucial to long-term food security and makes a significant contribution to the Commission's top priorities, such as investment, jobs and growth, climate change, internal market, digital single market, and others. It contributes to the sustainable development and modernisation of Europe's agriculture and the wider rural economy. It helps address the global challenge of 'how to produce more, using less'.

The target public is the general public (in particular young people in urban areas) and/or farmers and other parties active in rural areas. Indicative implementation period of the information measures: 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018-30<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

Deadline: **15<sup>th</sup> December 2017**.

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

**Young European of the Year 2018**

The prize is awarded to young Europeans aged between 18 and 26 years who, through voluntary work, have distinguished themselves in an exemplary manner concerning their honorary commitment and dedication in the support of international understanding and/or the integration of Europe. The prize, € 5,000, is intended to finance a six-month internship with a Member of the European Parliament or another European institution. It is also possible to use the sum to finance a project which promotes European integration. Such a project has to follow the aims of the Schwarzkopf Foundation and needs the approval of the Foundation's board in order to be accepted.

Deadline to submit nominations: **15<sup>th</sup> December 2017, 23:59 CET**.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2zjt53x>

**Erasmus+ KA3: Support for policy reform - Joint qualifications in vocational education and training (VET)**

The objective of the call is to support the preparation or setting up of joint VET qualifications including at higher level or the improvement of such existing qualifications.

The transnational qualification should comprise strong work-based learning and a mobility components, address learning outcomes, quality assurance and proper recognition while making use of relevant European tools and instruments. Against the background of high youth unemployment, skills mismatch and shortages as well as the need for higher level skills at sectoral level, joint VET qualifications have the potential to address these challenges and ensure that VET response better to labour market needs.

The partnership must be composed of partners from at least two different Erasmus+ Programme countries (at least one of which must be a Member State of the European Union). Moreover, the partnership shall include at least three partners, including the two following organisations:

- A VET provider (at upper secondary, post-secondary non-tertiary or tertiary level)
- An enterprise (public or private) or a chamber of industry, trade and crafts or a sectoral/professional organisation

One of those partners will be the coordinating organisation, applying for the Erasmus+ grant on behalf of the consortium of partner organisations.

Each grant will amount between 200,000 euros and 500,000 euros.

Deadline: **31<sup>st</sup> January 2018**, 12.00 noon (Brussels time).

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

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

## Highlights

### **2018 Erasmus+ Call for Proposals published**

The European Commission has published the call for the 2018 Erasmus+, the European Union's programme for mobility and cooperation in education, training, youth and sport. With its annual budget expected to increase by €200 million, Erasmus+ will provide an unprecedented number of opportunities for individuals and organisations in Europe and beyond. In 2018, Erasmus+ will continue to help implement the Commission's policy priorities, notably the goals set out in the recent initiatives "A renewed agenda for Higher Education" and "School development and excellent teaching for a great start in life". The overall aim of these initiatives is to help Member States provide high quality, inclusive and future-oriented education for all young people. In line with the New Skills Agenda for Europe, Erasmus+ will also remain a strong pillar in promoting the full range of knowledge, skills and competences that help people succeed in our fast-changing societies, including transversal skills such as creativity, problem-solving and an entrepreneurial mind-set. In total, €2.7 billion in funding are expected to be available from Erasmus+ in 2018 to promote mobility opportunities for young people, students, trainees, apprentices and international volunteers, as well as for teachers, trainers and youth workers; to create or improve partnerships between education, training and youth organisations and with the world of work; to support dialogue and evidence-building needed to deliver reform in education, training and youth systems; to promote excellence in teaching and research in the field of European studies through the Jean Monnet activities; and to support transnational projects in the field of sport, with a focus on grassroots sport. Similar to previous years, Erasmus+ projects supporting social inclusion through education, youth and sport activities will be given priority in 2018. In 2018, for learners in the field of vocational education and training, increased focus will be placed on long-duration mobility (ErasmusPro), in line with the Commission's Communication on "Investing in Europe's Youth" of 7th December 2016. In order to further broaden the accessibility of the Erasmus+ programme in 2018, the Commission will introduce throughout Europe a simplified procedure for the submission of grant proposals through online web-forms and will also simplify grant opportunities for schools to take part in projects focusing on exchanges and mobility of pupils and staff.

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

### **Estonian EU Youth Conference outcomes**

From 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October 260 young people, experts and policy makers from all over Europe gathered in Tallinn, Estonia, to discuss youth policy and explore what young people expect from the EU to allow them to live prosperous, sustainable and successful lives. The aim of the conference was to provide insight and input to consultations on the new EU Youth Strategy. Delegates acknowledged that the new European Union Youth

Strategy 2018+ must not only be about young people, but also developed with young people. Delegates came to understanding that the usage of technological solutions in youth work must change in order to reach as many young people as possible by offering meaningful content.

It was also pointed out that everyday participation in the society activities helps to grow the generation of active and influential people, but, to increase participation, young people must have appropriate opportunities, motivation and larger support to greater participation in society. The importance for young people to be engaged to pan-European programmes (above all for those who have not been engaged yet) was underlined. The increase in financing and accessibility to the Erasmus+ programme was considered a prerequisite for supporting diversity and mobility.

Concerns were raised about the European unity, Euroscepticism and migration and the adaption of second-generation young immigrants. It was claimed that young people need more secure and open environments for cooperation and self-expression. In addition, participants emphasised the mental health issues related to young people and the ability to critically analyse the information in the era of fake-news.

For adapting to the constantly changing labour market, the greater need for preparing and empowering young people and recognition of the skills and knowledge acquired through the non-formal education were stressed. Skills and experiences in volunteering are highly important for reducing the unemployment of youth. It was proposed that governments must pay greater attention to the different opportunities and needs of urban and rural youth. Delegates found also that young people must join in raising the issues on climate change and sustainable management.

European Commissioner Tibor Navracsics also addressed the need to empower youth.

<http://youthconf.eu/overview>

### **EU budget 2018: more funds needed for growth and jobs**

In a Resolution adopted on 25<sup>th</sup> October by the Budget Committee, MEPs set overall EU budget for 2018 at €162.6 billion (+1.2% on the Commission's draft budget) for commitments and €146.7 billion (+0.9%) for payments. In their budgetary Resolution MEPs reaffirmed their commitment "to financing Union policies that enhance jobs and growth in all its regions through investments in research, education, infrastructure, SMEs and employment, in particular among young people." They nonetheless stressed that they failed "to understand how the Union can achieve progress in these fields considering the cuts proposed by the Council (...)". MEPs increased the Youth Employment Initiative by €366.7 million in commitment appropriations, raising the total to €600 million, to help youngsters desperately seeking a job. They rejected the Council's "unjustified €750 million cuts" in the "growth and jobs" area, warning that such cuts "would jeopardise programmes with real European added value and a direct impact on job and growth creation, such as Horizon 2020 or the

Connecting Europe Facility." They therefore decided to reinforce, on top of the Commission's budget proposal, "those programmes that are key to boosting growth and jobs and that reflect widely agreed Union priorities, namely Erasmus+, Horizon 2020 (Marie Curie, European Research Council, SME Instrument), COSME, and EaSI (Progress and Eures)". The Resolution on Parliament's position on the EU's budget for 2018 was approved by 414 votes to 163, with 90 abstentions. The plenary vote kicked off 21 days of "conciliation" talks with the Council, with the aim of reaching a deal between the two institutions in time for next year's budget to be voted on by Parliament and signed by its President on 30<sup>th</sup> November.

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

#### **MSCA work programme 2018 published**

The European Commission has adopted the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Work Programme 2018-2020. More than €2.87 billion will be available to fund research training and mobility. The new Work Programme also sets aside a dedicated budget to reduce the Research & Innovation gap across Europe and the discrepancies between European countries in their ability to attract excellent researchers.

<http://bit.ly/2lmbba7>

#### **European Economic & Social Committee (EESC) Opinion on the European Solidarity Corps adopted**

On 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017, at its plenary session, the EESC adopted an Opinion on the European Solidarity Corps. The EESC welcomes the fact that the European Solidarity Corps promotes awareness of European citizenship. It expresses its satisfaction that the priorities that were highlighted by the civil society organisations in the various stakeholder consultations organised by the Commission were included in the legal basis (i.e. more funding, local volunteering, focus on improving access for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds or with specific needs, focus on quality assurance of placements, simplification of administrative procedures), but believes that youth organisations (YO) and social partners must be involved in its co-management. Furthermore it is very concerned by the merging of its goals with those of employment policies. It asks that better preparation is provided, also for the disadvantaged, before placement, and demands that more "fresh money" is invested in it.

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

#### **EU Disability Card**

To help people with disabilities travel more easily between EU countries, the EU is developing a system of mutual recognition based on an EU Disability Card. Currently, there is no mutual recognition of disability status between EU Member States: this makes things difficult for persons with disabilities travelling to other EU countries. For instance, their national disability cards might not be recognised. The EU Disability Card will ensure an equal access to certain specific benefits, mainly in the areas

of culture, leisure, sport and transport. The Card will be mutually recognised between EU countries participating in the system, on a voluntary basis.

A pilot has been launched in February 2016 and will kick-start the Card in a first group of eight EU countries: Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, Italy, Malta, Slovenia and Romania. The countries were selected following a 2015 call for proposals.

<http://bit.ly/2yVKr3o>

### **Why Europe Matters**

"Why Europe Matters" is a call for action: asking young people, business people and policy makers to come together in a common effort to demonstrate the positive impact Europe has on everyone's lives and give the future of Europe a voice. In this context, an international survey has been launched exploring young people's views on Europe and the EU, on education and employment, and their future hopes and expectations. Young people between 16 and 25 years of age and from all European countries are invited to participate. It should take between 4 to 8 minutes to complete the survey. All answers provided will be kept in the strictest confidentiality. The survey is supported by the European Round Table of Industrialists and JA Europe. The survey is available in several languages. The results will be presented to key decision-makers in March 2018.

<http://www.whyeuropematters.eu/survey>

### **PARLEMETER 2017 - A Stronger Voice. Citizens' Views on Parliament and the EU**

According to the latest European Parliament Eurobarometer survey, PARLEMETER 2017, European citizens are looking more and more favourably on the European Union. They increasingly feel that their voice counts in the EU and that their countries have benefitted from being a member in the European Union. The survey takes a close look at citizens' opinions on the EU membership as well as on their attitudes towards the European Parliament, its priorities, actions and mission. In the framework of the renewed debate on the future of Europe, 47% of European citizens feel that their voice counts in the EU, the best result since the European elections in 2009. A clear majority of Europeans keeps supporting their country's membership in the EU. 57% of respondents feel that the EU membership is a good thing for their country, almost as many as before the crisis. Most respondents in all Member States say that EU membership has benefitted their country. Finally, an increasing number of citizens find that things are going in the right direction in the EU (31%, +6 compared to March 2017).

The European Parliament also sees an uptick in public opinion. An increase of eight percentage points now sees 33% of all citizens having a positive image of the European Parliament, while 42% of respondents still have a neutral image.

The survey also identifies areas where Europeans expect a protection from the EU. Terrorism comes out, with 58% of citations, as the main threat Europeans want the EU to offer protection from. The precarious economic situation suffered by many Europeans defines the following issues such as unemployment

(43%) and poverty and exclusion (42%). Protection against uncontrolled migration, with 35% on average, still ranges high on citizens' agenda.

Then, the survey assesses the main accomplishments citizens want the EU to protect for them: on one side, fundamental rights (44%) and the freedom to travel, work and study across the EU (36%); on the other side stand the economic achievements, namely labour rights (34%), adequate pensions (34%) and the economic well-being (33%). These results resonate adequately with the values that Europeans want to see defended in priority by the EP: the protection of human rights, freedom of speech, and equality between men and women. Finally, the Parlemeter 2017 shows what concrete policies Europeans expect from the European Parliament. In line with the threats previously identified, Europeans mainly support actions that tackle poverty and exclusion, fight against terrorism and combat youth unemployment. The survey was carried out between 23<sup>rd</sup> September and 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017: 27881 Europeans aged 15 or more were interviewed face-to-face in all 28 Member States.

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

*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>

### **1<sup>st</sup> July-31<sup>st</sup> December 2017: Estonian EU Council Presidency**

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

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

### **10<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Quality Traineeships in the EU - Youth Guarantee, European Solidarity Corps and beyond, Brussels, Belgium**

Organised by the European Commission and the European Youth Forum, the Conference will provide a space for European institutions, employers, and young people themselves to share views on quality traineeships. The event will bring key actors together to raise awareness about existing quality frameworks for traineeships within the EU, discuss challenges and showcase promising practices.

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

### **10<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Interns Day, Worldwide**

The European Youth Forum, together with InternsGoPro and other youth-led organisations across the world, are organising the International Interns Day, with events taking place in Switzerland, Belgium, France, Spain, Hungary and other countries. The aim is to improve the accessibility and the labour conditions of internships and thus fighting exploitation. The programme is open source such that everyone can get ownership of it and bring their own actions to the day taking place simultaneously across the world both online & offline. The Brussels event will take place on the 9<sup>th</sup>. In order to attend it, participants will have to register [here](#).

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

### **10<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Information Day: Call for Proposal EACEA/26/2017 Lot 1 Education and Training, Brussels, Belgium**

Organised by the European Commission and the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA), the day will



inform potential applicants in education and training about the call for proposals "Civil Society Cooperation", specifically potential applicants under Lot 1: Education and Training.

Deadline to [register](#): **7<sup>th</sup> November 2017, 18:00 CET.**

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2ye7NUR>

**13<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Global Entrepreneurship Week**

For one week, millions of young people around the world will join a growing movement of entrepreneurial people to generate new ideas and to seek better ways of doing things. Dozens of countries are coming together for the first time to host Global Entrepreneurship Week, a global initiative to inspire young people to embrace innovation, imagination and creativity.

Find out more: <https://genglobal.org>

**17<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Time to Move Campaign 2017 - Closing Conference, Brussels, Belgium**

Time to Move is the flagship campaign of Eurodesk. During the month of October hundreds of Time to Move events will be organised in dozens of countries with the aim of informing young people about mobility opportunities available to them. Eurodesk would like to invite interested participants to take part in the closing conference of the Time to Move campaign and join the discussion evolving around mobility experiences, European identity and outreach in a digital age.

Participation is free of charge, but registration is needed.

Deadline to register: **10<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**

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

**20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> November 2017: European vocational skills week, Europe**

Under the theme "Discover your Talent!", the second European vocational skills week aims to raise the attractiveness of Vocational Education and Training (VET) through examples of excellence, and advocate for VET to be seen as an equal choice with other education routes. A series of events and activities will take place in Brussels, Belgium (press conference, conference, workshops, closing event with award-giving) and across Europe. All stakeholders (learners, parents, companies, business organisations, social partners, education and training providers, adult learning organisations, researchers, career counsellors, public authorities, and society at large) are invited to get involved and register their activity [here](#).

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

**20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Lifelong Learning Week 2017, Brussels, Belgium**

Organised by the Lifelong Learning Platform in cooperation with the European Commission, the Estonian European Council Presidency and the European Youth Forum, the week will focus on "Education in a Digital World". The LLLWeek aims to raise

awareness of lifelong learning and to demonstrate its ability to address the challenges of modern societies.

Participants should register [here](#).

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

**23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017, Safer Internet Forum 2017, Brussels, Belgium**

Key annual international conference in Europe gathering policy makers, researchers, law enforcement bodies, youth, parents and carers, teachers, NGOs, industry representatives, experts and other relevant actors to discuss the latest trends, risks and solutions related to child online safety. This year's theme is "From children's tech to resilient youth - how to foster wellbeing online?". The event will include sessions on children and robotic toys, building resilience with vulnerable groups, whether we should verify age online, and the scale of the challenge being faced in tackling child sexual abuse material (CSAM) online.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2za65E4>

**27<sup>th</sup> November-1<sup>st</sup> December 2017 Entrepreneurship School, Paris, France**

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 sharing economy, 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. The school will be conducted in French.

The admission fee is 30€.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2yP0fof>

**27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Jean Monnet biennial Conference (BiCo), Brussels, Belgium**

The 2017 year's edition of the JM conference will be devoted to the current major political turning point in EU history and its consequences for the future of the European integration. It will allow debate on important EU-policy issues but also disseminate information on more technical issues for the new grant holders.

Participants need to register [here](#).

Find out more: [http://ec.europa.eu/education/events/2017-jean-monnet-bico\\_en](http://ec.europa.eu/education/events/2017-jean-monnet-bico_en)

**27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> November 2017: High level conference - Opening up to an ERA of Social Innovation, Lisbon, Portugal**

Jointly organised by the European Commission, the Portuguese Government and the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, the conference aims to boost social innovation in Europe because social innovation is a good, cost-effective way to advance

inclusive and wealth-creating public policies. It will bring together 400 participants from world-class scientists, innovators, social entrepreneurs, civil society representatives, national over regional policy makers, municipal and city level actors, impact investors to philanthropists, venture capitalists, business angels, business school students and politicians.

Participants need to register [here](#).  
Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2u05cIR>

**6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> December 2017: Online Educa Berlin, Germany**

Global, multi-sector conference on technology-supported learning and training. The theme for this year is "Learning Uncertainty".

Find out more: <https://oeb.global>

**6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> March 2018: Conference: "On track - Different youth work approaches for different NEET situations" Istanbul, Turkey**

The cross-sectoral conference will address the NEET issues and showcase good practices with an emphasis on cooperation between youth work and other sectors (formal education, employment, social & business sector...). The conference is addressed to professionals with experience working on the issue of vulnerable young people in NEET situations from Erasmus+: Youth in Action Programme countries.

Deadline to apply: **10<sup>th</sup> December 2017**, 24:00 CET.

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

**27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> March 2018: Social Entrepreneurship, Youth and Vocational Education Forum - Towards Collaborative Practice 2018, Liverpool, United Kingdom**

A cross-sector event exploring the potential of youth work, vocational education and training (VET) and Erasmus+ to foster social entrepreneurship among young people.

The forum will provide Youth and Vocational Education practitioners working within the field of social innovation and entrepreneurship with the opportunity for networking and sharing ideas, tools, methods, challenges and good practice, especially focusing on using social enterprise as a way to encourage and enable young people to sustain their entrepreneurship life skills. The forum is addressed to youth workers, trainers, youth leaders, project managers, youth policy makers. Organisers are looking for 80 participants with the following professional backgrounds: associations of cooperatives; employment, entrepreneurship and social innovation support services from Erasmus+ Youth in Action Programme countries.

Deadline to apply: **4<sup>th</sup> December 2017**, 24:00 CET.

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

**1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> June 2018: European Youth Event, Strasbourg, France**

The European Parliament is inviting young people aged between 16 and 30 (as of June 2018) from any EU member State or another

European country 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 need to register as a group, with a minimum of 10 participants, by **31<sup>st</sup> December 2017** or until the maximum number of registrations (8,000) has been received.

Groups can only be registered by the group leader, who must be at least 18 as of June 2018 and can be older than 30. No individual registrations will be accepted.

The event is completely free, but participants will need to cover their own costs for transport, accommodation and meals.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2slpM89>

#### **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/1ppGluS>

## Eurodesk Brussels Link Activities

2 Oct 2017	3 Networks Meeting EURODESK ERYICA EYCA. Location: Eyca. Participants from Eurodesk: Claire Conlon, Audrey Frith.
4 October 2017	Online meeting with Darko Markovic on Eurodesk Competence Profile. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
10 Oct 2017	EMPL/CULT Hearing on European Solidarity Corps. Location: European Parliament. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
10 Oct 2017	ESN International meeting. Location: EESC. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
11 Oct 2017	Youth Intergroup meeting. Location: European Parliament. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
11 Oct 2017	Stakeholders meeting with MEP Eider Gardiazabal Rubial on the implementation of the EU Youth Strategy. Location: European Parliament. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
12-13 Oct 2017	New Narrative for Europe "Meet up for Europe". Location: Leuven, Belgium. Participant from EBL: Sara.
13 October 2017	Erasmus+ Coalition meeting. Location: ESN. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
16 October 2017	ErasmusX10 Communication meeting Location: LLP Participants from EBL: Sara, Zsolt
18 Oct 2017	EPTO Potential for Life's multiplier event. Location: Brussels. Participant from EBL: Sara.
19 Oct 2017	Online European Economic and Social Committee Plenary Session. Participant from EBL: Safi.
23-25 Oct 2017	EU Youth Conference. Location: Tallinn, Estonia. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
30 Oct 2017	3 Networks Communication Meeting EURODESK ERYICA EYCA. Location: EYCA. Participant from EBL: Zsolt.