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## EBL Bulletin

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## Documentation

### **The Organisation of the Academic Year in Europe 2018/19**

Published by Eurydice, the academic calendar contains national data on how the academic year is structured (beginning of the academic year, term times, holidays and examination periods). Differences between university and non-university study programmes are also highlighted. The information is available for 38 countries.

<https://bit.ly/2NSEVoU>

### **The Organisation of School Time in Europe. Primary and General Secondary Education - 2018/19**

Published by Eurydice, the school calendar based on national data gives an overview on the length of the school year, the start and the end dates, the timing and length of school holidays and the number of school days. It covers both primary and general secondary education and key points are illustrated by comparative figures. The information is available for 38 countries participating in the EU's Erasmus+ programme (28 Member States, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Switzerland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, Norway, Serbia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and Turkey).

<https://bit.ly/2MTaNNG>

### **EYE2018: Speak up Europe! 100 ideas for a better future**

The Report of the 3rd European Youth Event (EYE2018), which took place last June, gathering 9,000 young people coming from all over the continent and beyond, collects and highlights one hundred of the most concrete ideas shaped by the participants, grouped into the five themes of the event. The Report will serve as a source of inspiration for the MEPs and provide them with a clear view about young people's concerns, dreams and expectations for the future. In the next months, some of these ideas will be presented in a number of parliamentary committees. At these EYE hearings, selected EYE participants will discuss their ideas with MEPs and get their direct feedback.

<https://bit.ly/2KJKILn>

### **From Good to Better Final Report**

Report of the Experts' Seminar on the quality framework of learning mobility projects in the youth field organised by the French National Agency for the Erasmus+ Youth in Action Programme, in cooperation with members of the Steering Group of the European Platform for Learning Mobility in the youth field (EPLM), and specifically with the partnership between the Council of Europe and the European Commission in the field of youth, which took place in Lille, France, from 15th to 18th May 2018. The conference focused on the development of a webapplication to support organisations and institutions in assessing the quality of their learning mobility projects. As

an inspiration, Eurodesk gave a keynote speech emphasizing the added values of learning mobility and the importance of quality in projects and in the outreach.

<https://bit.ly/2MY0Dvh>

**The history of youth work in Europe, Volume 6 - Youth work and social work - Connections, disconnections and reconnections - The social dimension of youth work in history and today (2018)**

This sixth publication in the History of Youth Work in Europe project based on the workshop held in Malta - Connections, Disconnections and Reconnections: The Social Dimension of Youth Work, in History and Today - looks at the relationship between youth work and social work and the role youth work can play in the social inclusion of young people. Contributors have reflected on concepts, tools and support measures for more vulnerable and often socially excluded young people and have sought to promote a common understanding of youth work as a social practice.

<https://bit.ly/2nSiuVw>

**European Solidarity Corps video gallery**

Find out more about the European Solidarity Corps, the one year old European Union initiative offering opportunities for young people to engage in volunteering or working projects in their own country or abroad. Know directly from the people currently on placement or having finished one, check their stories.

[https://europa.eu/youth/solidarity/video\\_en](https://europa.eu/youth/solidarity/video_en)

**Coyote Magazine**

New online version of Coyote: a magazine addressed to trainers, youth workers, researchers, policy makers and all those who want to know more about the youth field in Europe. Coyote provides a forum to share and give new insights into some of the issues facing those who work with young people.

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

**Skills Panorama**

Cedefop redesigned Skills Panorama website is faster to navigate and easier to use. The new Skills Panorama aspires to broaden its user groups and welcome guidance practitioners. It also offers new features such as improved search engine, section on 'Institutions' providing labour market intelligence (LMI) at national level in each Member State; LMI guides and toolkits and new European skills index (ESI).

<http://skillspanorama.cedefop.europa.eu>

## Opportunities

### **DG Interpretation Bursaries**

Each year, the Directorate General for Interpretation of the European Commission offers a number of bursaries. Interpretation study bursaries are available to students of all disciplines who have been accepted for a full-time master/postgraduate studies in conference interpreting offered by a recognised university or university-level institution. Eligible applicants should be enrolled in a master's/postgraduate degree in conference interpreting or intend to enroll in one, be nationals of an EU Member State or of one of the candidate countries (Albania, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia or Turkey). The amount of the bursary to be granted is EUR 2 400 for those studying in an EU Member State, and EUR 1 600 for those studying in any other country.

Deadline: **18<sup>th</sup> September 2018**, before midnight CET.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/TUNF0I>

### **Call for Young Professionals "Routes4youth Network"**

Routes4U Project, a joint programme between the Council of Europe and the European Commission, is looking for young professionals to create a "Routes4Youth network" on regional development through the Cultural Routes in the Adriatic-Ionian, Alpine, Baltic Sea and Danube Region. Young people between 25 and 35 years, who have networking skills and are interested to foster their expertise in regional development, cultural cooperation and sustainable tourism, are invited to apply.

Deadline: **30<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2oMKF8L>

### **Europeana Research Grants**

Early career scholars of all nationalities and in any field of the Humanities are invited to submit their research projects which make use of Europeana Collections content to showcase and explore the theme of First World War. Applicants should have a particular interest in cultural heritage and take a digital humanities approach. Applicants must hold a PhD, with no more than 7 years of experience after the completion of their PhD. Their projects must be hosted by institutions, i.e. a university, a research centre, a library lab or a museum, working in one of the European Union member states.

Funding available will be up to 8,000 EUR per successful project. Funding can be used for the buyout of researcher time, travel, meetings, or developer costs. Up to three successful projects will be funded. Projects must be carried out in the semester January - June 2019 and deliver the results by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Applicants will be asked to provide their contact information plus five keywords and an abstract of their project (max. 300

words). The CV and the project proposal (max. 1500 words) must be uploaded in PDF format.

Candidates should submit their proposals by **5<sup>th</sup> October 2018**, 23:59 CET.

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2oHhDr3>

### **The Travel Video Contest**

Young people from 18 years old, from around the world, already enrolled or planning to enroll in college or university outside their home country are invited to join this contest.

All they have to do is make a short video of maximum four minutes, explaining their reasons to travel or study abroad. If entrants are already studying abroad, they could make a video about a trip they would like to take.

The author of the best video will be awarded with \$ 4,000. The winner will have to maintain a blog documenting the trip. Contributions are expected at least once a week during the preparation for the trip and daily during the trip.

Deadline: **9<sup>th</sup> October 2018**, 11:59 PM, EST.

Find out more: <https://www.internationalstudent.com/contest>

### **Photo Contest: How green is your lab**

The contest is open to researchers or science enthusiasts from the EU willing to share with a photo how they keep their work eco-friendly. Participants may submit a maximum of one photo, which has to be original and accompanied by a short description (how it relates to the topic) and the place where the photo was taken. Pictures will be shared on the [EU Science Hub - Joint Research Centre](#) Facebook page. The winning picture will be the one getting the highest number of Likes on Facebook and the biggest number of votes from the jury.

The winning picture will be displayed at the [ARTEFACTS exhibition at the Museum für Naturkunde Berlin](#). The winning photographer will be awarded with a 2-day trip to Berlin, Germany, to visit the ARTEFACTS exhibition before the end of 2018 (including transport and accommodation for one night).

Deadline to submit entries: **19<sup>th</sup> October 2018**, 14:00 CET.

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2Q7e1v5>

### **Juvenes Translatores: translation contest for schools**

The competition is designed to give 17-year-olds (born in 2001) from schools throughout Europe first-hand experience of what it is like to be a translator. Young students will be given the opportunity to take part in a translation test that will take place on the same day in all EU countries: 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018. Pupils will be able to decide which of the European Union's official languages they want to translate to and from. Schools across Europe are invited to register on the contest website by **20<sup>th</sup> October 2018**.

The awards ceremony will take place in Brussels, Belgium, in Spring 2019.

Find out more: [http://ec.europa.eu/translatores/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/translatores/index_en.htm)

### **Time to Move T-shirt design contest**

Time to Move campaign is a collection of events organised by Eurodesk all over Europe during the month of October to promote mobility opportunities for young people. For this campaign Eurodesk is inviting young people between 13 and 30 years old and from one of the eligible countries, to join the contest, design a Time to Move themed T-shirt that best represents the spirit of the campaign, share it with Eurodesk and have a chance to win prizes that will help them kickstart their journey around Europe. Entrants can participate in the following categories:

- a. Contestants aged between 13 and 19;
- b. Contestants aged between 20 and 30.

In total there will be 8 winners: one first winner for each category, one chosen by a public vote and 5 runners-up. For the design they can take a photo, create an illustration digitally, draw by hand on paper, use only text or choose any other technique.

Deadline: **31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**, noon CET.

Read more: <http://wshe.es/5Ec3dpMA>

### **Young Filmmakers Competition**

The competition is part of the #EUandME campaign, which aims to show how EU legislation and initiatives can enable young people to pursue their passions: from training to travelling, surfing the internet to saving the planet.

Filmmakers between the ages of 18 and 35, from the 28 EU Member States, are invited to submit an idea for a short film that tells a story linked to the impact of the European Union in people's daily life.

Entries can be submitted in one of 5 categories: Mobility, Sustainability, Rights, Digital, and Skills & Business.

Each category will have a winner, who will receive a grant of € 7,500 to realise their film.

Entrants must submit a written synopsis of the film, max 500 words (including title, headings and sub-headings) in English and in their mother tongue. They should also submit a short smartphone video, maximum of 60 seconds, in English or in one of the [official languages of the European Union](#), in which they explain their motivation and the concept of their film. Participants must already have made at least one short film in the past, which they should include in their application.

The 5 winners, for each category, will be selected by a public vote online, which will take place in January-February 2019.

They will receive a grant of €7,500 each to produce, shoot and edit their max 5 minutes film by 30 April 2019. Winners will also receive mentoring by one of the professional directors of the jury during the filming and editing process.

Deadline to submit entries: **31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**, 12.00 CET.

Find out more: <https://europa.eu/euandme/en/yfc>

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

## Highlights

### **European Solidarity Corps: first call for proposals launched**

On 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018, the European Commission launched the first Call for proposals 2018 - EAC/A01/2018 European Solidarity Corps. The European Solidarity Corps aims to promote solidarity as a value, mainly through volunteering, to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high quality solidarity activities as a means to contribute to strengthening cohesion, solidarity, democracy and citizenship in Europe, while also responding to societal challenges and strengthening communities, with particular effort to promote social inclusion. It shall also contribute to European cooperation that is relevant to young people.

In order to achieve its objectives, the Corps implements the following operational Actions:

- Volunteering;
- Traineeships and Jobs;
- Solidarity projects.

The present Call covers the following actions:

- Volunteering Partnerships,
- Volunteering Projects,
- Volunteering Teams in high priority areas,
- Traineeships and Jobs,
- Solidarity Projects,
- Quality Label.

The call is published subject to the final adoption of the European Solidarity Corps Regulation by the legislative authority without significant modifications, and to adoption of the relevant financing decisions.

[https://ec.europa.eu/youth/solidarity-corps\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/youth/solidarity-corps_en)

### **Special report 22/2018: Mobility under Erasmus+: Millions of participants and multi-faceted European Added Value, but performance measurement needs to be further improved**

According to a new report from the European Court of Auditors, student mobility under the Erasmus+ programme generates many forms of European added value and has a positive effect on participants' attitudes towards the EU, countries would not be able to achieve such effects acting alone. However, the auditors found that the indicators used to measure the Programme's performance should be better aligned with its objectives. Compared to previous programmes, Erasmus+ has introduced many innovations with a view to simplifying administration in the area of mobility. However, application and reporting processes are still too complex, say the auditors. Moreover, the innovative Student Loan Guarantee Facility has not produced its expected results.

For the future Erasmus+ programme, the auditors recommend that the European Commission should:

- suggest additional European added value elements, which should be prioritised at the project appraisal stage, monitored and reported on;



- improve the measurement of objectives achieved and prioritise performance when allocating funds;
- simplify the scheme further to reduce administrative burdens, with improved IT tools;
- include school students in Erasmus + Mobility and consider more flexibility for PhD students;
- assess the possibility of reintroducing funding for traditional classroom language teaching;
- include doctoral and undergraduate mobility under the Student Loan Guarantee Facility.

The report is available [here](#) in 23 EU languages.

### **2019 EU budget: Council adopts its position**

On 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018, the European Council adopted its position on the 2019 EU budget, confirming the agreement reached by EU ambassadors in July. Areas which receive increased support include research and innovation (Horizon 2020, +5.79%), youth exchanges (Erasmus+ programme, +10.37%), investments in infrastructure (Connecting Europe Facility, +26.46%), and environment and climate action (LIFE programme, +5.20%). More funds are also foreseen in the field of migration. This includes a strong boost to the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, which will receive € 1.1 billion for migration management (+55.80%), as well as additional funding for the Central Mediterranean route and the Facility for Refugees in Turkey.

<https://bit.ly/2Ngib5o>

### **UNICEF & Eurochild Survey: Europe Kids Want**

Online survey designed to capture the views of children and young people on the future of Europe, launched by UNICEF & Eurochild. The survey targets children and young people up to 30 years old from Europe and beyond. Topics include children's experience of family-life, school, and society as well as their thoughts about Europe.

It takes about 10 minutes to answer the survey, which is available in several languages until **21<sup>st</sup> September 2018**.

Results will be announced at a special session of the European Parliament on 20<sup>th</sup> November, Universal Children's Day, attended by a delegation of children and young people.

<https://bit.ly/2xKqTCn>

### **EYF Survey on European youth organisations and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

The European Youth forum is inviting youth organisations across Europe, from national to regional and local level, to share how they are contributing to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The aim is to collect evidence and examples of good practices and challenges faced by those organisations. The survey is available [here](#) and open until **23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018**.

### **LLL Erasmus+ Survey 2018**

Annual Lifelong Learning Platform (LLL) survey to evaluate how beneficiaries have experienced the call for applications of the Erasmus+ Programme in 2017.

The survey is available [here](#) in English only and targets European NGOs, civil society organisations and networks.

The survey is open until **30<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.

It will take not more than 10 minutes to fill it in.

**Music Moves Europe Talent Awards: new annual European Union Prize for popular and contemporary music**

Successor of the European Border Breakers Awards (EBBA), the Music Moves Europe Talent Awards are the new European Union Prize for popular and contemporary music awarded every year to the emerging artists and implemented by Eurosonic Noorderslag (ESNS) and co-funded by the Creative Europe programme. The aim of the Music Moves Europe Talent Awards is to celebrate new and upcoming artists from Europe and support them in order to help them develop and accelerate their international careers. The nominees for the Music Moves Europe Talent Award will be presented at the Reeperbahn Festival in Hamburg in September 2018. The twelve winners of the prize will be announced in November and the awards will be handed over during a grand award ceremony at ESNS on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

<https://bit.ly/2LO87Ak>

**Eurostat release: July 2018 Euro area unemployment rate**

According to Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union, in July 2018, 3.325 million young persons (under 25) were unemployed in the EU28, of whom 2.365 million were in the Euro area. Compared with July 2017, youth unemployment decreased by 466 000 in the EU28 and by 294 000 in the Euro area. In July 2018, the youth unemployment rate was 14.8% in the EU28 and 16.6% in the Euro area, compared with 16.8% and 18.7% respectively in July 2017. In July 2018, the lowest rates were observed in Germany (6.1%), Malta (6.3%) and the Czech Republic (6.6%), while the highest were recorded in Greece (39.7% in May 2018), Spain (33.4%) and Italy (30.8%).

<https://bit.ly/2wydjhl>

**Back to school EU programme: Schoolchildren to receive milk, fruits and vegetables at school**

Aimed at promoting healthy eating habits among children, the EU school scheme includes the distribution of fruit, vegetables and milk products, as well as dedicated educational programmes to teach pupils about the importance of good nutrition and to explain how food is produced. In the school year 2017/2018, the initiative reached over 30 million children across the European Union. Under the scheme, €150 million is set aside each school year for fruit and vegetables and €100 million for milk and other dairy products. Although participation is voluntary, all EU Member states opted to get involved, either for all or part of the scheme. National allocations for all 28 Member States taking part in the scheme for the 2018-19 school year were approved and adopted by the European Commission in March 2018. Member States also have the option to top up EU aid with national aid to finance the scheme.

<https://bit.ly/2N8mAHv>

**Results of the Public consultation on clock change in Europe**

According to the preliminary results of a public consultation on clock change in Europe, 84% of respondents are in favour of putting an end to the bi-annual clock change. The results also indicate that more than three quarters (76%) of the respondents consider that changing the clock twice a year is a 'very negative' or 'negative' experience. Considerations related to the negative health impacts, increase of road accidents or the lack of energy savings, were put forward by respondents as motivations to put an end to the change.

The consultation ran from 4<sup>th</sup> July to 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018, and received 4.6 million responses from all 28 Member States, the highest number of responses ever received in any European Commission public consultation. The final results of the public consultation will be published in the coming weeks. The Commission will now make a proposal to the European Parliament and the Council with a view of changing the current clock change arrangements.

<https://bit.ly/2wymDBP>

*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>

### **Citizens' Dialogues**

Citizens' Dialogues are public debates with European Commissioners and other EU decision-makers, such as members of the European Parliament, national, regional and local politicians. The events take the form of a question and answer session. It's a chance for citizens to ask EU politicians questions and make their voice heard.

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/events/citizens-dialogues\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/events/citizens-dialogues_en)

### **1<sup>st</sup> July-31<sup>st</sup> December 2018: Austrian EU Council Presidency**

As of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 Austria took over the Presidency of the Council of the European Union for the third time after 1998 and 2006. Austria shares the Trio Presidency with Estonia (second half of 2017) and Bulgaria (first half of 2018). Under the motto "A Europe that protects" the Austrian Presidency will focus on security and the fight against illegal migration, securing prosperity and competitiveness through digitalisation, and stability in the European neighborhood. In the youth field, the Presidency will focus, inter alia, on the regulation on Erasmus+, a recommendation on mutual recognition of higher education and school-leaving diplomas, and a recommendation on enhancing the learning of languages.

Find out more: <https://www.eu2018.at>

### **12<sup>th</sup> September 2017: State of the Union Speech 2018, Strasbourg, France**

The President of the European Commission, Jean-Claude Juncker, will deliver his State of the Union address at the European Parliament. This year's speech comes ahead of the 2019 European elections and in the midst of the ongoing debate about the future of the European Union at 27. He will take stock of achievements of the past year and is expected to present the next concrete steps towards building a 'More United, Stronger and More Democratic Union', which was the theme of his 2017 Address. This year, the President will set out proposals that will deliver positive results for citizens by the time of the Sibiu Summit in May 2019. The speech will be followed by a plenary debate. This kick-starts the dialogue with the Parliament and the Council to prepare the Commission Work Programme for the following year. The event will be broadcast live from 09:00 CET on [EbS](#) and on the [Commission's Facebook page](#).

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2om3Ea3>

**16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018: European Mobility Week 2018**

During the European Mobility Week European cities and towns will have the opportunity to participate to the most widespread event on sustainable mobility. This year's theme is "multimodality, the mixing of transport modes within the same journey or for different trips."

Find out more: <http://www.mobilityweek.eu>

**26<sup>th</sup> September 2018: European Day of Languages**

Organised jointly by the EU and the Council of Europe, the European day of languages aims to raise public awareness of the languages used in Europe, to promote cultural and linguistic diversity and to encourage people, schoolchildren and adults, to learn languages.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/1p9QsfZ>

**26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> September 2018: 11<sup>th</sup> Young Cultural Policy Researchers Forum, Bucharest, Romania**

Organised by ENCATC in partnership with The National Institute for Cultural Research and Training (NICRT), the Forum "GLOBAL CULTURAL ENCOUNTERS: Career Building in Cultural Management and Policy Research" aims to support the new generation of young and emerging researchers entering into the field and help them advance in their careers and enlarge their networks in Europe and beyond. Participants will exchange research trends, address topical research issues, methodology, professional cooperation, publishing opportunities, online knowledge exchange and collaboration.

There are participation fees.

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2wFcYth>

**8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October 2018: European Week of Regions and Cities, Brussels, Belgium**

European Week of Regions and Cities is an annual four-day event during which cities and regions showcase their capacity to create growth and jobs, implement European Union cohesion policy, and prove the importance of the local and regional level for good European governance.

Deadline to register: **28<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

Find out more: [https://europa.eu/regions-and-cities/home\\_en](https://europa.eu/regions-and-cities/home_en)

**8<sup>th</sup> October-18<sup>th</sup> November 2018: Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Essentials of Youth Policy**

The MOOC will equip learners with the basic competences to engage in youth policy. A youth policy is a strategy by public authorities, providing young people with opportunities for successful integration in society and enabling them to be active and responsible.

Furthermore, participants will learn about the essential elements of youth policy, the steps of youth policy (development,

delivery, evaluation), its impact in the lives of young people, and they will reflect on their future steps in youth policy. The course is open and free for anyone interested. Youth policy makers from different levels, youth workers and youth leaders, youth NGOs and youth researchers are encouraged to participate. The course is offered by the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of youth. Participants need to register.

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2hhnkI6>

**5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> November 2018: European Vocational Skills Week 2018, Vienna, Austria/Europe**

Third European Commission annual celebration of excellence in vocational education and training (VET). Organised under the patronage of the Austrian Presidency and with the theme "Discover your talent", the week will offer ways to find out more about the exciting career possibilities that lie ahead through Vocational Education and Training (VET). In addition to the events to be organised by the European Commission and the Austrian Presidency, national, regional and local events will take place associated with the Week. Events can be registered [here](#).

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2JGTv0u>

**19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> November 2018: World Forum for Democracy 2018, Strasbourg, France**

The Council of Europe is inviting anyone who wants to share ideas on how to make democracy stronger to the 2018 edition of the World Forum for Democracy (WFD). Under the theme: "Gender Equality : Whose Battle?" the seventh edition of the Forum will engage with young people, decision-makers and opinion-formers on gender equality and women's rights. The Forum will focus in particular on women's public, political and economic participation and on combating violence against women in the wake of #MeToo.

Deadline to [register](#): **19<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/2n5RPDQ>

**2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> April / 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> October 2019: Congress of Local and Regional Authorities (36<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> sessions), Strasbourg, France**

As part of its "Rejuvenating politics" initiative, the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe is inviting one young person per member State to be part of the 36<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> sessions of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities.

The aim is to give young people an opportunity to express their opinions about all the issues being discussed directly to the local and regional elected representatives.

The youth delegates, one per national delegation, should be open, committed and motivated to develop and strengthen dialogue between young people and elected representatives at

local/regional level; be between 18 and 30 years old; have been resident in one of the Council of Europe member states for a minimum of five years and live in the country which they will represent for the duration of their participation.

Furthermore they should be active in youth work at local and regional levels and be available to engage in the whole of the activity including the preparation of grass-roots projects and speak English fluently.

The youth delegates' travel and subsistence expenses and accommodation will be covered jointly by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities according to the Council of Europe's rules.

Deadline to apply: **17<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

Find out more:

<https://bit.ly/2M0M2x0> (EN)

<https://bit.ly/2Kjmfw5> (FR)

### **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>

## Eurodesk Brussels Link Activities

8 August 2018	EYP Editorial Board Meeting. Location: DG EAC. Participants from EBL: Zsolt, Gheorghe, Kevin, Audrey.
9 August 2018 14 August 2018	Meeting with DG EAC on DiscoverEU and Eurodesk. Location: DG EAC. Participant from EBL : Audrey.
21 August 2018	Online PrepTeam Network Meeting. Participants from EBL: Denise and Audrey
22 August 2018	Online Prep meeting on the AD Training Writing with/for young people, Vienna. Participants: Alena (AU) and Audrey.
22 August 2018	Meeting with European Youth Forum on Youth Strategy. Location: EFJ. Participant from EBL: Audrey.
30 August 2018	Meeting with Chase Creative Social Storytelling Agency. Location: Gent. Participants from EBL: Zsolt and Audrey.
31 August 2018	Meeting with ESN. Location: EBL. Participants: Safi.