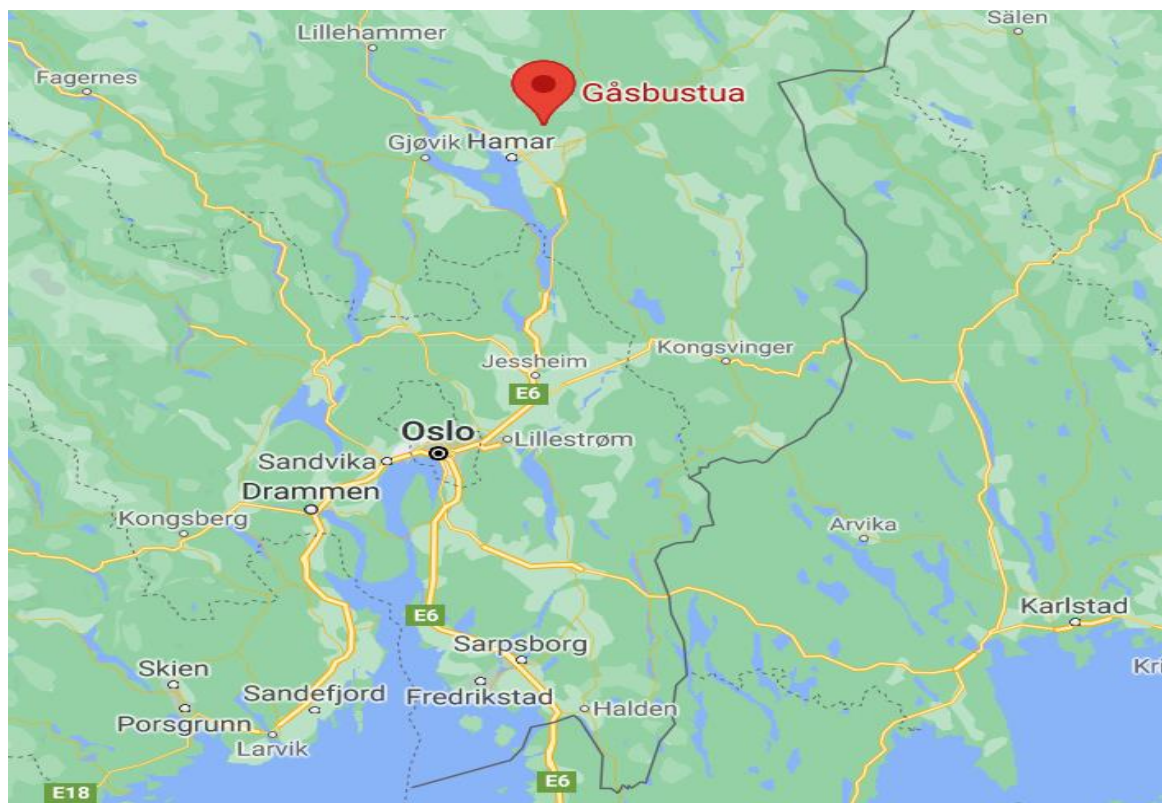




SAVE ECOLOGY



YOUTH EXCHANGE

GÅSBUSTUA, HAMAR NORWAY

PLACE AND DATE: 21-30 SEPTEMBER 2021, GÅSBUSTUA NORWAY

PARTICIPANTS: 60 people (8 youth + 2 group leaders from each country)

COUNTRY: Partner countries will be from **Norway, France, Turkey, Estonia, Lithuania and Slovakia.**

LANGUAGE: The working language will be English.



SUMMARY



Global issues are obvious in the world. One of the main problems connected to consumer life is waste production. Even though we are trying to think more ecologically the waste is not always possible to eliminate entirely. Therefore, a suitable alternative is to at least recycle the waste or use it for something else. The aim of this project is to broaden the awareness of today's youth about ecology, problems connected to this area, such as excessive waste generation, excessive resource consumption, inadequate environmental protection, the need for recycling, environmental pollution and that like. We realize the complexity of the problems which are connected with nowadays production and distribution of different kinds of products and we want to become part of their solution. It is important to extend the competences of the participants in this area, so that they can bring change for their surroundings.

Goal:

The aim of the project is to prepare and organize the youth exchange on the topic of environmental issues for 60 participants from 6 countries in Oslo, Norway. The duration of the youth exchange will be 8 days in total, together with 2 travel days, Totally 10 days.



The aim of the project is to involve 60 young people together with the volunteers from the project management and provide them with an opportunity to organize their own Erasmus+ project and improve their competences related to management, time management, organizational skills and facilitation.

The aim of the project is to create at least 6 own environmental projects together with 60 young people from which at least 3 of them will be implemented together with partner organizations in the local communities of participants.

Intention:

To raise awareness and improve critical thinking of young people related to the topic of environmental issues, excessive waste production, excessive resource consumption, insufficient saving of environmental protection, the need to recycle, environmental pollution, sustainable development and zero waste thought.

ACTIVITIES AND METHODS



Working Methods



Working methods to be used in these activities:

Every activity (workshop) will be done in non-formal education – discussion, role-play, interactive presentation, self-reflection, educational games, video, workshops, etc.

Participants will present their personally created wares and possibilities of Erasmus+ program to local people. Every participant can learn new things from different areas by these activities. Participants will work also with non-national minorities. Participants will be required to learn how to work alone or with people from different countries. Participants will be in situations where they will be required to discuss in foreign language (by using it they will be better in it). In group works they will learn how to learn new things. Every participant will gain 8 key abilities. Right choice of participants and leaders will make the best possibility to gain the best result in accomplishing the objectives.

Who can participate in the youth exchange?



The total number will amount to 60 participants.

The young participants of our project come from 6 countries with multiple cultural, religious and social differences, which contributes to the multicultural spirit of the project. The project team drafted a participant profile, according to:

1. Generalities:



-Age: between 15 and 30 years

-Gender: we aim for a gender balance

-Education: most of the young people will be in the last years of high school and some will have the completed studies, while others will have dropped studies

-Work place: most of the young people are without a full-time job, but it is possible to have a percentage active in the labor market (part-time, freelancer); we have young people with reduced opportunities in the NEET category (who do not study and do not have a job)

2. Specifics:

-The cultural background: the national groups will generally consist of young people representing the majority culture of the respective country, but we will have young people from different ethnic minorities

-The social framework: the social experience oscillates from individual to individual, but we planned the integration of young people with problematic social situations (discriminated against by ethnic or religious criteria, displaced due to conflicts, etc.).

TRAVEL COSTS

According to new Erasmus Plus rules, the reimbursement of travel costs will be calculated using a specific program called Distance Calculator:

Country of Origin	Country of Destination	Distance Band	No. of Participants	Travel Grant per Participant
France	Norway	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Estonia	Norway	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Lithuania	Norway	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Slovakia	Norway	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Turkey	Norway	3000-3999 km	10	275.00
Norway	Norway	0 km	10	0.00

AFTER SENDING their tickets and boarding cards, participants will receive the reimbursement of their travel costs. Travel (flights, other means of transport) expenses are



compensated (up to 100%), based on the actual expenses incurred and the distance from your location of residence to the location of the project (**Norway**). These distances must be calculated using the distance calculator supported by the European Commission. We don't send money to each participant. We send only money to sender organization and sender organization will pay to participants. It may be that money from European Commission will be late; in that case, as mentioned, you will get your reimbursement after the course by bank transfer (be ready for that).

Keep your bus / train tickets as well! Travel by cars / taxis is not reimbursed.

Please note any extra days you wish to stay will be your own responsibility and your food etc.

Visa costs will be covered by participants.

THE VENUE



Hamar ['hâ:mar] (About this soundlisten) is a town in Hamar Municipality in Innlandet county, Norway. It is part of the traditional region of Hedmarken. The administrative centre of the municipality is the town of Hamar. The municipality of Hamar was separated from Vang as a town and municipality of its own in 1849. Vang was reincorporated into Hamar on 1 January 1992.

The town is located on the shores of Mjøsa, Norway's largest lake, and it was the principal city of the former Hedmark county. It is bordered to the northwest by the municipality of Ringsaker, to the north by Åmot, to the east by Løten, and to the south by Stange.



Note: Organisers will not provide accommodation for any additional stay in Norway. If participants plan to arrive a few days earlier or depart a few days later, they are kindly requested to inform us and we will be glad to offer assistance with booking a hotel

COVID-19 SPECIAL MEASURES:



Entry quarantine and rules upon arrival in Norway

Beside the rules that we all know, and are respecting in our own countries, the following rules are necessary for the creation of a safe and productive learning environment:

- **All persons arriving in Norway from abroad, with the exception of green countries/regions in Europe, must go into quarantine, although certain exemptions apply.**

All persons travelling to Norway from abroad, except countries/regions in the EEA/Schengen/United Kingdom which have a sufficiently low infection rate (green countries/regions shown on the map below) must go into entry quarantine, unless they are covered by the exemption provisions of the COVID-19 Regulation.

Entry quarantine lasts for 10 days. Fully vaccinated persons and persons who have had COVID-19 during the past six months are exempt from entry quarantine. Protected persons



who received their first vaccine dose between three and 15 weeks ago and children under 18 must go into entry quarantine, but may end their quarantine if they test negative no earlier than three days after arrival.

Currently, only presentation of a COVID-19 certificate (Norwegian, Danish, Swedish or EU digital COVID certificate) with a QR code which can be verified by the Norwegian authorities is considered to be a secure and verifiable way of proving vaccination or previous illness.

See your COVID-19 certificate www.helsenorge.no

Other persons in entry quarantine must take a PCR test seven days after arrival. If they then test negative for COVID-19 via a PCR test (not a rapid antigen test), they can end their quarantine.

Special requirements have been established regarding the quarantine accommodation when you complete your quarantine at home or in other suitable accommodation.

The quarantine check - what rules apply to you? (helsedirektoratet.no)

PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE GREEN COUNTRIES CAN TRAVEL TO NORWAY WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS. HOWEVER, RULES ARE CHANGING RAPIDLY IN THE PANDEMIC. THEREFORE, WE ENCOURAGE THE PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS ABOUT THAT SELECTION PROCESS SHOULD BE BASED ON FOR THE FULL VACCINATED PEOPLE. BECAUSE, IN CASE OF CHANGING FROM THE GREEN TO RED OR ORANGE AREA, ONLY PEOPLE WHO HAVE QR VACCINATION CODE CAN TRAVEL TO NORWAY. PEOPLE WHO HAVE QR CODE CAN TRAVEL TO NORWAY FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD WITHOUT RESTRICTION.

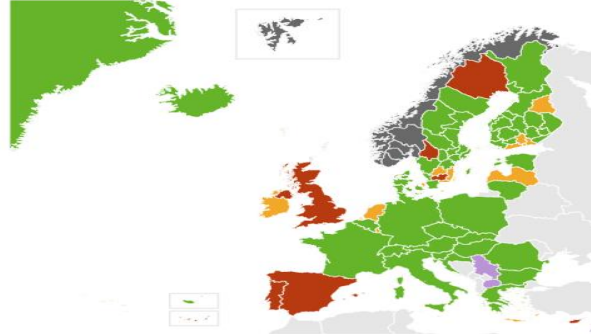
- For safety reasons, **alcohol will not be allowed during the exchange.** You are allowed to bring one bottle per team of your traditional drink for your cultural night, but don't bring any other alcohol to the exchange. Please don't bring vodka, whiskey or other alcohol that is not a part of your culture and cultural night.

Our main priority is the safety of everyone, and we are sure that these rules and regulations will not stop us from having a good time and meeting amazing people from other countries. If anything is not clear to you or you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time.



Map of Nordic region/ Europe

Map of Nordic region/ Europe with status for entry quarantine



As of date: 7/12/2021

- Green: you do not need to be in quarantine when you arrive in Norway
- Orange: you must be in quarantine when you arrive in Norway
- Red: you must be in quarantine when you arrive in Norway
- Purple: you must be in quarantine when you arrive in Norway
- Dark red: You must go into quarantine in a quarantine hotel upon arrival in Norway
- Light Grey: You must go into quarantine in a quarantine hotel upon arrival in Norway

<https://www.fhi.no/en/op/novel-coronavirus-facts-advice/facts-and-general-advice/entry-quarantine-travel-covid19/>

ACCOMMODATION PLACE

Gåsbustua - storhytte!

<https://www.gaasbu.no/kopi-av-hytteutleie-st-olav>





Rooms: Participants will be accommodated in 3 or 6 people each room. Bed linen and towels will be provided. The main activity room is located in the hotel. Wi-Fi internet connection is available. Organisers will provide participants with three meals per day. Food will be served.

Because of corona situation and personal hygiene, participants should bring pillow and duvet cover, towels and their personal care products.

We strongly recommend each participant to inform the organizers about any special dietary needs in advance.

HOW TO REACH THE HOTEL

More information about how to arrival to accommodation place will be provide two weeks before your arrival.

WHAT TO BRING



Since there is going to be an international evening, we will ask you to bring something traditional, famous or delicious from home - that you would like to represent your country with, and share with the others, it can be any kinds of food, drink...



HEALTH INSURANCE

Health insurance is not provided and will not be reimbursed by the organisers. All participants are strongly advised to purchase private travel insurance, as costs of private health care in Turkey are quite high if you don't have.



The organizers will not provide the participants with any kind of insurance! Therefore, we strongly recommend every participant to acquire travel insurance at their own expense for the whole duration of the course. Also, please have a valid EU healthcare insurance card (if applicable).

Each of the participating countries should;

- ✓ Bring all your **travel documents** as presented above. **Print out all your documents even if they are online. We don't have printing opportunities.**
- ✓ Prepare a **presentation about the sending organization** (initiatives they have previously participated in, non-formal learning methods used, etc.). We want to get to know each other, to find out how people work with youth in other countries, and maybe to cooperate in the future.
- ✓ Prepare a **presentation on diversity** in their country.
- ✓ Find **interesting videos / games / exercises / educational activities on diversity.**
- ✓ Prepare **energisers** that could be done in the morning.
- ✓ Prepare for your **country's cultural evening**. Please, try to be fun and creative for this! :) No one likes regular .ppt presentations! Any kind of activities are welcome (e.g. video presentations, dances, songs, games, quizzes, posters, flyers etc.). Don't forget to **bring your national drinks, dishes or snacks** to share with others. Also, please **prepare a mini (and, of course, fun) language course** for the others. We count on you to make these evenings as interactive and fun as possible.
- ✓ check the weather forecast before arrival and **bring adequate clothes**. Please also **bring clothing and shoes that can be used for strenuous activities** (such as dancing).
- ✓ **Bring good spirit, joy and happiness!!!**

Whenever possible, bring your laptops, digital cameras, smart phones and tablets – we will be doing some multimedia work that requires mobile equipment!



CONTACTS!

If you have any questions, please contact us via email

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SEE YOU ALL IN HAMAR, NORWAY