



# RAY

Refugees Allying with Youth

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Youth Exchange on  
**INTEGRATION**  
and **ART**  
**REFUGEES**

with the support of:



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**Allying with Youth** HOSTED BY THE ITALIAN  
NETWORK SEYF - SOUTH EUROPE YOUTH FORUM

## THE PROJECT

The project **RAY (Refugees Allying with Youth)** will take place in **Lecce** city in the South of the Apulia Region (6 km far from Lecce). The activities will be implemented from 26th October to 4th November 2018. The project will involve 40 young people, members of youth organization from **Bulgaria, Italy, Spain, Malta** and **Poland**.

### Main Themes

- Integration of refugees;
- Art;
- Inclusion.

### \* ORIGINS:



The project comes has arisen from several episodes of intolerance, racism and segregation that we experienced within Refugees Shelter and Center for Migrants and Asylum Seekers. Moreover, SEYF is currently managing a center for hosting young refugees in the Province of Lecce. The main aim of the project is to create artistic bridges among young participants and young migrants and

asylum seekers.

The project will promote intercultural dialogue and the artistic and poetical expression, in order to share messages of integration through an innovative, participative and empathetic approach. It is going to happen by collecting stories from the migrants and refugees hosted in the Refugees Center and by sharing them through guerrilla poetry, graffiti and Attack-Poetry within the local community, on walls given by citizens and local administration. Thus, the local community would become an open and living urban Tale dedicated to integration.

### \* OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

- to promote a better understanding of the practices of hosting of refugees and asylum seekers implemented by local communities, so that they could be meant as good practices of **integration** and ethical and different way of development for the local and international community;



- to build initiatives of interactive knowledge among young participants, citizens and refugees hosted in the community though an empathetic approach and with the use of **intercultural dialogue and through the production of graffitis and Attack/guer-**

**rilla Poetry** as a tool to disseminate the stories of the migrants hosted in our Centre for Refugees and Asylum seekers.

### \* METHODOLOGIES

The methodologies used for RAY meet the requirements of the non-formal learning: the young participants will know the local realities involved in creative strategies for the development of new work opportunities for young people; they will be main actors in order to know, test and make aware interests and ideas about the participation process. Workshops and visits to local activities, the knowledge.

icebreaking, team building and problem solving activities with related de-briefing, daily evaluation moments will be the centre of the exchange that will result as a constructive know-how sharing.



Finally, thanks to the realization of group game for the transfer of intercultural value, the participants will be involved in a transfer process of knowledge by the peer communication. The youngsters will became protagonists and messengers of Europe in a small reality, far from the main circuits, where people have different conceptions of their role in the society.

## WHEN AND WHERE

### WHEN



The project is going to be implemented between **26th October 2018** and **4th November 2018**.

**Arrival day:** participants should arrive during the day of **26th October 2018**.

**Departure day:** participants should leave on **4th November 2018**.

For any change of your travel schedule, or if you are planning to arrive before or to leave later Italy, please inform us in advance.

### WHERE



According to the most typical touristic Italian accommodation, participants will be hosted in **Lecce**, a beautiful city in the South of Italy, near the Adriatic Sea.

You are going to be hosted in a Youth Hostel. Participants are going to be divided and mixed for nationalities, in order to foster intercultural dialogue. Participants are going to be grouped by sex.

**Activities** will be implemented in the Hostel, outdoor and in local schools.

Participants are going to be hosted at Urban Oasis Hostel in Lecce. You can have a look here: <https://www.facebook.com/urbanoasislecce/>

### FOOD

Meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) will be provided in the restaurant of the Hostel, at buffet service.



If you have any **dietary needs**, please let us know (e.g. vegetarian, lactose intolerance, allergies in general, religious dietary) please specify in the [Google Form](#) needed for the application (see below).

## THE PLACE

**Lecce** is a beautiful city village in the South of Italy. Lecce capital of the province of Lecce, the second province in the region by population, as well as one of the most important cities of Apulia. Because of the rich Baroque architectural monuments found in the city, Lecce is commonly nicknamed "The Florence of the South". It has a youthful life and a chill night life.



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Map of Salento - peninsula of Apulia  
Region



PROFILE  
OF PARTICIPANTS

We need **8 participants per organization**: 7 participants (aged 18-25 years old) + 1 group leader from each of the mentioned countries: Italy, Spain, Malta, Bulgaria and Poland.

- Basic knowledge of English;
- Motivation to be actively involved in the project.

Once you've been recruited by your organization, please fill the following

**Google Form:** <https://goo.gl/forms/vKRFSQJZIUX4kqZu1>

. Any special need and dietary requirement should be communicated in the link provided.

## TRANSPORTATION

**Lecce** is easy to be reached from Bari and Brindisi Airport.

**Brindisi** is the nearest airport. **Bari** could represent a second option in case that flights for Brindisi could be too expensive.

The best way to arrive to Lecce is:



For all participants that will arrive in **Brindisi airport**, following schedules of buses from the airport to Lecce (the cost is about 6.50 euro):

<http://www.eliostours.it/ita/pagina.asp?id=136>



For all participants who arrive to **Bari airport**, please find below the link for finding the bus schedule of:

- bus from the airport to train station (the cost is around 5 euro):

<http://www.autoservizitempesta.it/orari.php>

or

- bus from the airport to train station (the cost is around 5 euro):

<http://www.ferrovienordbarese.it/orari>

When you will arrive at Bari station, then take the train to Lecce. The cheapest train costs € 10,40 (*'treno regionale'*). If you want, you can see the train schedule to the following link:

<http://www.trenitalia.com>



## ACTIVITIES

The methodologies used for **RAY (Refugees Allying with Youth)** meet the requirements of the non-formal learning: the young participants are going to know the work of the local realities involved in the promotion of job opportunities with the new social challenges.

Icebreaking, team building and problem solving activities with related de-briefing, daily evaluation moments will be the centre of the exchange that will result as a constructive know-how sharing.

Finally, thanks to the realization of graffiti and urban art for the transfer of knowledge value, the participants will be involved in a transfer process of information and experience by the peer communication.

An **intercultural night** will be organized: each team is welcomed to bring some typical food or drink from his/her own country, together with a Flag. Laptop, or tablet, per country and camera may be useful for the development of some activity.

Typical food and drinks from your countries! We will have traditional evenings during the project. Unfortunately, we don't have budget to reimburse you the expenses made for the things that you are bringing, but try to be creative and funny! You can bring typical costumes, ornaments, leaflets, posters, flyers, food, sweets, alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks... and so on.

Also, you can show videos, photos, sing music and dance traditional dances from your countries! We are counting on you to make these evenings as interesting as possible and promise to help you in any way that we can!

## FINANCIAL CONDITIONS



- As usual, food and accommodations are provided and paid by Italian organization;
- it is covered the amount of:
  - **275,00 €** for travel costs per participant from **Malta, Spain, Poland** and **Bulgaria**;

- **IMPORTANT:** If you are not travelling from your country please tell us in advance because our National Agency may not accept the travel cost and the project expenses!
  - You should buy your tickets and bring them with you in Italy the invoice and the boarding Pass.
  - ATTENTION!!! You can already buy your tickets.
  - The invoice must be headed to SEYF or the the individual participant. ( **SEYF - South Europe Youth Forum - Piazza Regina Margherita snc - 73051 - Novoli (LE) - Italian Fiscal code: 90036240753 - VAT: 04901080756** )
  - The SEYF membership fee will be of €15.00 per participant.
  - When you'll give this documents to SEYF Staff you'll receive the reimbursement.
  - Everyone has to keep boarding passes and give them to SEYF Staff.
  - Please provide to insure yourself: **insurance** is not covered by the project's costs. We will need proof of insurance.
- Italy have EURO. Is possible to change the money only in BANK but is better (and cheaper) to have credit Card BANK. More info:  
<http://it.finance.yahoo.com/valute/convertitore/#from=EUR;to=USD;amt=1>

**TO GET YOUR REIMBURSEMENT**, please pay attention at the following procedure.

REGULAR AIR TICKETS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH:

- The original invoice (signed and stamped)/receipt/pay order/proof of payment);
- The boarding pass (the small ticket stub you receive before boarding the plane)
- The prices stated in the invoices, receipts etc. must coincide with the price on the ticket.
- E-Tickets must be printed out and include your name, the exact fare you paid, details of your flight on the same page be provided along with the credit card receipt for the payment or a copy of your bank statement (clearly showing the payment has been made). Together with the e-ticket there must be the boarding pass (the small ticket stub you receive before boarding the plane)

NOTE: Some airline print 'passenger receipt' at the top of the cardboard ticket. It is not accepted as a receipt of proof of payment. Therefore, if you book your tickets online, please, make sure to print out the e-mail you receive upon payment from the airline company, stating how much and how you paid.

## THING TO DO:



### What do you need to bring with you:

2. Raincoat and swim suit, in case :)
  3. Suitable shoes for the outdoor activities.
  4. If it's possible bring your **laptop** with you. We can use it during some activities.
- Bring your digital cameras, because you are going to take lots of photos. Also you can bring your favorite music CD's.

- Take a copy of your passports (with the photo and identity part) and bring it with you, just in case of needs;

- please bring **towels**, since they will not be provided.

- as previously described, we are planning to develop all together an **intercultural night**: we are going to provide an evening in which we will have the opportunity to taste food & drink from all over Europe. So, please bring with you some food and drink from your countries. Obviously, good drinks are always welcome! :-) Do not forget a flag of your country.

Do not worry: the exchange is based on non-formal educational methodologies through the sharing of knowledge, experience and best practices. Nothing is going to be boring. It is an opportunity to share your story, your national situation and to find new friends in order to positively change the world! :-)

Bring your smile and positive attitude: we are going to have a lot of **fun**!

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