



CREATIVE RECYCLING



YOUTH EXCHANGE BURSA, TURKEY

PLACE AND DATE: 21-30 NOVEMBER, BURSA, TURKEY

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

COUNTRY: Partner countries will be from **Denmark, Türkiye, Lithuania, Romania, Latvia and Czech Republic.**

LANGUAGE: The working language will be English.



SUMMARY



Creative Recycling serves as a bridge between Circular Economy and the Theory of 3R's: it involves creatively reusing old objects to craft new ones, prioritizing their revitalization through aesthetic and artistic transformations.

Our project is rooted in the belief that we cannot sustain unlimited desires on a planet with finite resources. We must responsibly align our wants with an understanding of our obligations. The "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development," underscored by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), was a central focus at the 70th UN General Assembly. Waste reduction, recycling, pollution, climate change, and the promotion of a circular economy were key components addressed. Through this project, we aim to address these challenges using the principles of the 3Rs, circular economy, and creative recycling. Our conviction lies in the notion that these approaches can enable youth to recognize the profound impact that every individual action can have on the environment over the long term.

Centered on the concepts of 3Rs, circular economy, and creative recycling within the framework of sustainable development, our objectives are as follows:

- Raise awareness about unsustainable consumerist practices contributing to pollution and resource scarcity.
- Advocate for tools that support a more sustainable lifestyle through the 3Rs, circular economy, and creative recycling.



- Highlight the value of our environment and natural resources.
- Promote alternative business concepts with environmental protection as a core aim.

To fulfill these aims, we intend to carry out the project in Turkey. The nation faces environmental challenges due to population growth, industrialization, and rapid urbanization. These challenges manifest as climate change, deforestation, desertification, marine pollution, nature degradation, and water scarcity.

ACTIVITIES AND METHODS



Working Methods

The methodology will draw from non-formal educational approaches, encompassing practical exercises and experiential learning opportunities. Throughout the project, we will employ methods like interactive presentations, open discussions, role-playing, and diverse creative workshops, both in individual and group settings.



Who can participate in the youth exchange?



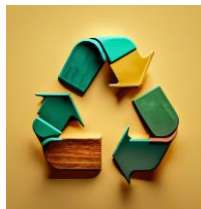
The project will involve 60 young people from 6 different countries, aged between 15 and 30 years. Each group will have a leader who is 18 years old or older.

The project will include four main activities: preparation, a youth exchange event in Turkey, evaluation, and sharing what we've learned with others.

During the preparation stage, we will get ready for the project. We will communicate with each other through online meetings and emails to plan and assign tasks. We will also meet locally to talk about the project, make sure everyone is safe, and learn more about the topics. Some tasks will be done in teams, and some individually.

The participants can be between 15 and 30 years old. The group leaders must be at least 18 years old.





TRAVEL COSTS

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

Country of Origin	Country of Destination	Distance Band	No. of Participants	Travel Grant per Participant
Denmark	Turkey	2000 - 2999 km	10	360.00
Lithuania	Turkey	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Latvia	Turkey	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Romania	Turkey	500-1999 km	10	275.00
Czech Rep.	Turkey	500-1999 km	10	275.00
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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 (**BURSA**). 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



Note: Organisers will not provide accommodation for any additional stay in Turkey. 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 BURSA:



SO FAR THERE IS NO COVID RULES IN TURKEY BUT BE READY FOR ALL KIND OF CHANGES!



ACCOMMODATION PLACE

NEFES DAĞYENİCE

<https://www.facebook.com/Nefesdagyenice>

<https://www.nefesdagyenice.com/>

Photos and videos about our accommodation place and workshop place;
<https://www.booking.com/hotel/tr/nefes-dagyenice.html?activeTab=photosGallery>





Rooms: **Participants will stay at Glamping houses.** Participants will be accommodated in 1, 2 or 4 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. There are no shower/toilets in those rooms but there are common shower and toilets where you can use there unlimited. **Participants will stay at Glamping houses.**

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

HOW TO REACH THE HOTEL

You can fly to Istanbul New Airport or Sabiha Gokcen Airport. We recommend you Sabiha Gokce since it is close to Bursa city. From those two airports you can take bus to Bursa Central Bus station. We will pick up participants from Bursa Central Bus station in group situation.





WHAT TO BRING



We're planning to have an international evening where everyone can share something special from their home country. It could be a traditional food, drink, or something famous and delicious. We would love for you to bring something like that to share with everyone.

HEALTH INSURANCE

The organizers won't give you health insurance or pay for it. It's a good idea for you to buy your own travel insurance, especially because getting medical help in Turkey can be expensive if you don't have insurance.



For each country taking part:

1. Make sure to bring all your travel documents as explained above. Even if they're online, print them out. We don't have printers available.
2. Prepare a presentation about your organization. Tell us about the projects you've been a part of before and the different ways you help young people learn. This is a chance for us to learn from each other and maybe work together in the future.
3. Find interesting videos, games, exercises, or activities that teach about diversity.
4. Get ready with some energizing activities for the mornings.
5. Plan something special for your country's cultural night. Be creative and have fun! We don't want regular PowerPoint presentations. You can do videos, dances, songs, games, quizzes, posters, and more. Bring your country's drinks, dishes, or snacks to share. Also, prepare a quick and fun language lesson to teach others a bit of your language.
6. Check the weather forecast before coming and bring the right clothes. And make sure to bring clothes and shoes that are good for active activities like dancing.
7. If you can, bring your laptops, digital cameras, smartphones, and tablets. We'll do some multimedia work that needs these tools!



SEE YOU ALL IN BURSA, TURKEY