

SAFETY IS NOT AUTOMATIC

MANISA, TURKEY



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TYPE OF ACTIVITY

ERASMUS+ YOUTH EXCHANGE

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AGE OF THE PARTICIPANTS

18-30

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DURATION

8-15 SEPTEMBER 2021

(8 & 15: TRAVEL DAYS)

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PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

TURKEY, LITHUANIA, POLAND,
GERMANY, SERBIA & ITALY

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NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

6 PER COUNTRY (36 IN TOTAL)

SUMMARY

Each year in Turkey, the number of fatal car accidents increases constantly. According to the data obtained from the Directorate of Traffic Services of the General Directorate of Security, an average of 1.2 million accidents have occurred every year in the last decade, with an average of 7,500 people lost their lives and 300,000 people have been injured. Although some years, accidents have shown partial reductions, the number of accidents and therefore injured people has increased since 2008. It was determined that 88% of the accidents were caused by the driver's fault and the accidents caused by the pedestrian error were realized as 8.3%. The leading driver defect is determined as "Failure to adapt the vehicle speed to the conditions required by the road".

Traffic safety is an actual concern of both Turkey and the European Union, and measures are taken to reduce accidents and promote safety measures. Despite measures taken to prevent accidents, the gap between European countries is increasing, such as Poland with a rate of 77 fatalities per million and Germany with a rate of 37 fatalities per million in 2019. In order to positively change the traffic safety problem of both Turkey and the EU, youth organizations from these countries will meet in Manisa on the 8-15 September 2021 during the youth exchange named "Safety is NOT Automatic". A total of 36 participants from 18 to 30 years of age will participate from participating countries. In the selection of the participants, the priority will be given to the disadvantaged young people with disabilities and from underprivileged environments. The main objectives of our project are to create awareness by drawing attention to road safety problems, to discuss road safety problems in different European Union countries, participants, target groups (young drivers, cyclists, pedestrians) and society:

1. Correct behaviour in case of an accident (First aid information and Education);
2. Safe driving on the roads (Accident prevention, Empathy & Sympathy);
3. Finding and tracking information on road safety during travel.

The initial thought of the project is to find ideas to reduce traffic accidents both at the project site and in partner countries. In addition, our project aims to improve the problem-solving and decision-making skills of the participants and to provide creative thinking and self-confidence. A wide range of non-formal education methods will be used throughout the activities to achieve the objectives of our project.



FINANCES & BUDGET LIMITS

1. Accommodation, living and other project related expenses are funded by the EU.
2. 100 % of the travel costs, but no more than the maximum compensation amounts given below, will be reimbursed upon presenting all necessary tickets & invoices.

Country	Amount
Germany	Up to 360 EUR per participant
Serbia, Italy	Up to 275 EUR per participant
Poland, Lithuania	Up to 180 EUR per participant

We will **reimburse** the travel expenses **during the exchange**, in accordance with the Erasmus+ framework. In order to make the reimbursement, it is compulsory that you have all the necessary documents with you. If your travel costs exceed the official limits, the reimbursement will be limited to the maximum amount of travel costs allocated for each country. If you fail to provide all the necessary travel documents, we will be unable to reimburse you. For plane travel, the original documents that we need are:

- 1) **Tickets and Boarding Passes**
- 2) **Invoice / Receipt**

Keep your bus / train tickets as well! ---> Ask for the physical ticket before the departure, if you decide to book your tickets online. Travel by cars / taxis is not reimbursed.

- ***All expenses related with Covid-19 restrictions (PCR or Rapid test cost) will not be reimbursed***

Contribution Fee: 15 EUR contribution is going to be used for transportation from/to the airport to/from the venue.



EXPENSES

The official currency in Turkey is Turkish Lira (TL). Change your money to TL at the airport and you won't have any difficulties here. The prices in Turkey are not high as well (e.g. coke - 0.45 EUR, bus ride - 0.60 EUR, Meal in Inexpensive Restaurant 4.30 EUR). You can check the **cost of living** in Turkey

GETTING TO TURKEY

The fastest and most secure way to reach Turkey is by plane. Firstly, you could find a flight to Istanbul (IST) and later to Izmir (ADB) airport. You can find cheap domestic flights at **PEGASUS AIRLINES** or **TURKISH AIRLINES**. [The arrival day is 8th of September and the departure day is 15th of September, 2021.](#) Try to find a suitable option for the flights on these days. Please pay attention to the arrival and departure hours. [Departure hours should be between 12:00 – 19:00. Arrival hours should be between 12:00 – 19:00 also.](#)

Be aware of Covid-19 Restrictions to enter the Turkish soil beforehand. Participants can find relevant official information on the website of their Embassy.

We will provide transportation from Izmir Airport to the venue. More information about pick up times will be provided in our facebook group.

VISA : No Visa is required for **Lithuania, Italy, Germany, Serbia, Poland** citizens.

IMPORTANT: Participants will need to have international passports. Please, check the validity of your passport before the departure – **passport must be valid at least 6 months beyond the date of your intended stay.**



ACCOMMODATION & FOOD

Venue: TBA.

Rooms: with 2-4 beds. Towels and bed linen will be provided. The Main Activity Room is located in the same building. WiFi internet connection is available (however, might be a bit limited). Organizers will provide participants with three meals per day and two coffee breaks. Food will be served at the hotel or cafeterias nearby. We strongly recommend each participant **to inform the organizers about any special dietary needs in advance.**

BASIC RULES: All the participants will be expected to be present and active in all the activities, unless being ill. Unauthorized absence from the activities and workshops won't be tolerated. Smoking is prohibited everywhere inside buildings, thus all the smokers will have to go outside or to specially designated areas for a cigarette. Any damages to the property of the guest house or the organizers will be deducted from the travel reimbursements of the ones responsible.

Stress, nerves and bad moods are prohibited everywhere. Bring your best mood and big smile with you and keep it through the exchange! Prepare for fun!



PREPARATION

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 exchange. Also, please note that EU healthcare insurance cards are not valid in Turkey.

Each of the participating countries must as PRELIMINARY TASKS:

- Bring all your travel documents as presented above;
- Find interesting videos / games / exercises / educational activities for safe driving and traffic safety. 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.).
- Each of you individually has to bring an interesting cup or any souvenir (e.g. with your country design, creative, or funny). At the beginning of the project you will exchange these gifts with one another so that you would have something to remember!
- If you have relevant experience connected to safe driving and traffic safety – please let us know beforehand.
- Bring clothing and shoes that can be used for sports and/or strenuous activities (such as dancing). Don't forget mosquito repellent and other relevant clothing/stuff for living in a farmstead.
- Bring good spirit, joy and happiness!
- More preparation needed for the activities will be posted online after the participants are selected.

ABOUT TURKEY

Check the following websites to get to know more about our lovely Turkey :

- [Turkey Home](#)
- [Visit Turkey](#)
- [Go to Turkey](#)



ADDITIONAL STAY

The hosting organization is covering the accommodation **ONLY** for the stay during the mobility. In case of earlier arrival or later departure, participants themselves must cover the accommodation. In addition, we can only cover tickets 4 days (3 nights) earlier or after the project date. If you are planning to stay longer after the project or arrive earlier, please inform us before booking your ticket. Otherwise, we cannot guarantee your reimbursement. Please note any indirect routes taken for personal travel will not be reimbursed.

For additional days in Turkey we suggest you to use **Airbnb** (18 EUR discount inside), **Booking.com** (12 EUR discount inside).

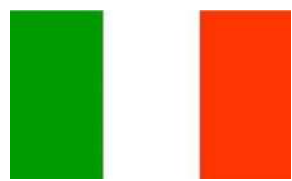
LIST OF PARTNERS



Turkey : European Integration Group



Lithuania : Active Youth Association



Italy : High on Life



Poland : Fundacja Instytut Partnerstwa Strategicznego



Germany : Jugend, Bildung und Kultur Ev

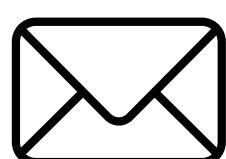


Serbia : Vega Omlandinski Centar

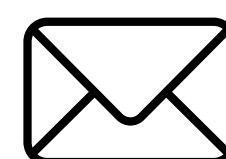
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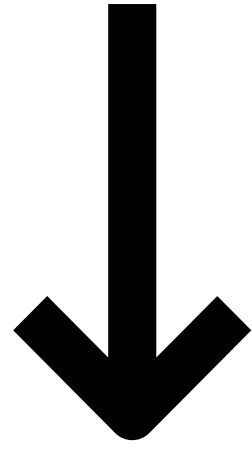
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