

Infopack for participants:

# YOUTH WORKER TODAY

- FACING NEW REALITIES -



YOUTH WORKER EXCHANGE  
IN LEIPZIG, DECEMBER 06 - 10



## ABOUT

Our youth worker exchange “**Youth Work Today – Facing new realities**” brings together professionals and volunteers in youth work from Germany, France, and Ukraine to discuss **current challenges and jointly develop practical approaches** for working with young people.

Key topics such as **media education, young people’s mental health, and the opportunities of international youth work** are addressed in relation to their role in promoting democracy through dialogue. These themes are explored through contributions from participants as well as input from external experts. The aim of this seminar is to reflect on the role of youth work in strengthening democratic values and social cohesion, and to identify how the above-mentioned themes can contribute to this goal.

## PARTICIPANTS

- **are at least 18 years old**
- are actively involved in **youth work** (either as volunteers or paid professionals)
- are available for **the entire duration**
- are **resident** of one of the partner countries
- understand and communicate in **English** (B2 recommended)

## CONTENT

- **Workshops** on media education, mental health, and international youth work
- **Language animations** to overcome language barriers (German-French-Ukrainian)
- **Thematic workshops**, partner networking, participant-led inputs, (peer exchange)
- **Open evening formats** (e.g. open stage)



## VENUE

**Leipzig** is known for its vibrant mix of history, culture, and innovation. Once a center of peaceful revolution, today it's a hub for art, music, and alternative thinking. From the legacy of Johann Sebastian Bach to its lively street art and creative districts, Leipzig invites you to explore and get inspired.

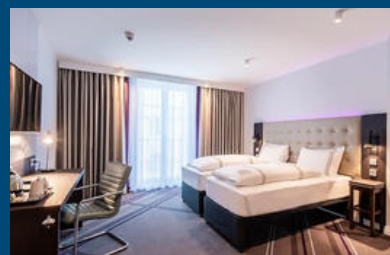
At the same time, it's one of Germany's greenest cities – with many parks, canals, and urban forests offering space to relax and reflect.

## ACCOMMODATION



**Premier Inn Leipzig City Centre |**  
Brandenburger Straße 2B  
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- in single rooms
- Towels, bed linen, and breakfast provided



## PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

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## TRAVEL HINTS



An eco-friendly way to travel to Leipzig is by **train and bus** – the city is well connected within the European rail network and can be reached comfortably from many major cities.

The long-distance bus terminal is conveniently located right next to the main train station in the city center.

For those **arriving by plane**, we recommend flying into Leipzig Airport (LEJ) or Berlin Brandenburg Airport (BER) From there, you can continue your journey to Leipzig by train, which takes about 1.5 hours from Berlin.

## TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT



Your travel expenses can be reimbursed up to a maximum fixed amount (see table). To calculate your distance, please **use only** the [EU Distance Calculator](#).

| Travel distance | Green Travel | Non-Green Travel |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| 10 - 99 km      | 56 EUR       | 28 EUR           |
| 100 - 499km     | 285 EUR      | 211 EUR          |
| 500 - 1999 km   | 417 EUR      | 309 EUR          |
| 2000 - 2999 km  | 535 EUR      | 395 EUR          |



## REIMBURSEMENT HINTS

**Origin:** The starting point and end point of your travel is usually your place of residence. If your travel does not start from or end at your place of residence, please prove to us that the cost of your ticket is no more expensive than if you had traveled from or back to your **place of residence (city)**.

**Green Travel:** Green Travel is defined as a travel that use low-emissions means of transport for the **main part of the travel** (>50%), such as bus, train, bike or car-pooling. The decisive factor is the number of kilometers traveled, not the travel time.

**Travel arrangement:** Please arrange your travel based on economy class / 2nd class tickets. Please **do not book any tickets before you got our confirmation of participation**. If you need help or advices, please contact us. All selected participants will get more detailed travel advices after the date of selection.

**Travel days:** In order for us to recognize your travel documents, you must arrive no more than 3 days before the official arrival date and depart no more than 3 days after the official departure date.

So you are welcome to use the time before and after the project for free time. Please note that we cannot provide food and accommodation for these additional days.

**Travel receipts:** Please provide us with your complete original travel receipts. Copies and Scans are not permitted. Digital receipts can only be accepted if there are no physical travel receipts.

## HOSTS



**Satellites** is a non-profit NGO whose mission is to foster international youth work and bring it to places and people where it has barely or not yet been developed.

The focus of our work is to develop the skills of youth workers in the field of international youth work and the implementation of exchange projects with young people with fewer opportunities - especially in Eastern Germany.

Satellites was founded 2023 by a group of project coordinators, youth workers, volunteers who work with young people and researchers.



**Die VILLA** is a youth, cultural and social center in Leipzig, Germany. With over 100 courses and events each week, it offers a wide range of activities for every age group.

The centre has five differently equipped event rooms, a media lab, a self-help bicycle-repair center, a café, a band practice room, a sound laboratory and an open youth club. VILLA also offers a variety of opportunities for young people to participate in European mobility programmes.

**The deadline for registration is September 20.** Please be aware that we have a limited number of places. Your participation is only confirmed with our official confirmation mail.

**We do not charge a participation fee.** Instead, participants are required to pay a refundable deposit. The deposit of 100,00€ is due once the participant's place has been confirmed. It will be refunded either in cash during the programme or at the end of the programme via bank transfer. Please keep in mind that the deposit cannot be refunded in case of cancellation by the participant.

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