

Erasmus+ Youth Exchange

# Wind of Change

Advanced Planning Visit 2019.03.09-10

Project 2019.03.28-04.04

We are glad to welcome you to the youth  
exchange  
**“Wind of Change”**  
and look forward to meet you in Lithuania.

Please read all the provided information  
carefully and do not hesitate to ask  
questions if needed.





# WHO are we?

- o The charity and support fund "G Children's World" was established in Mazeikiai, Lithuania in November, 2010.
- o We give our assistance to children from financially poor families in Lithuania. We believe that those families, and especially large ones, lack public attention and support.
- o Moreover, in those families grow many bright, talented, active children, for whom deprivation often suppresses the desire to achieve something, improve, and create. We aim to help these children to enable them to unfold in creation and sports, to have the motivation to learn and see the world more widely.
- o We strive to serve as a bridge between the municipalities, business associations, major local companies and citizens residing in Lithuania and abroad. Our goal is to unite those people, the businesses and organizations that can help, support, and be the center for the people searching for help.



# PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

1. **LITHUANIA** – The Charity and Support Fund „G Children’s World“
2. **ITALY** – Association of Intercultural Mediators Network
3. **LATVIA** - Solis Tuvak
4. **ROMANIA** - Asociatia Comunitatilor Interculturale
5. **POLAND** - Fundacja Centrum Aktywnosci Tworczej





# GOAL OF THE PROJECT

- o To promote youth entrepreneurship, focusing on social entrepreneurship, in solving employment problems
- o To direct young people to an acquisition of entrepreneurial skills
- o To strengthen the motivation to work
- o To allow the young person to explore his potential and find out what it means to start your own business from the idea to its realization.

Today, social business is becoming more and more important, so our goal is to inform young people about the differences in this form of business from the usual form of business, its benefits and added value to the public.



# ACTIVITIES

- o **Methods.** Teamwork; lectures; meetings and discussions; practical tasks; brainstorming; getting to know each other, team building games; role-playing games; public and video presentation.
- o **Planned activities:** team building, study visits, creating business team, brainstorming business ideas, working on them in the teams, advertising your business, getting to know about social business, cultural evenings, reflections.
- o Detailed **timetable** of the exchange will be prepared in due time.





# APV&PROJECT VENUE

- Mažeikiai is a city in the north-western Lithuania, on the Venta River. It has a population of around 45,300, making it the eighth largest city in Lithuania.



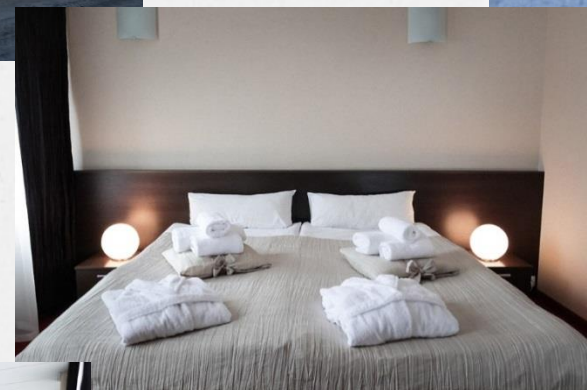
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# APV & PROJECT VENUE

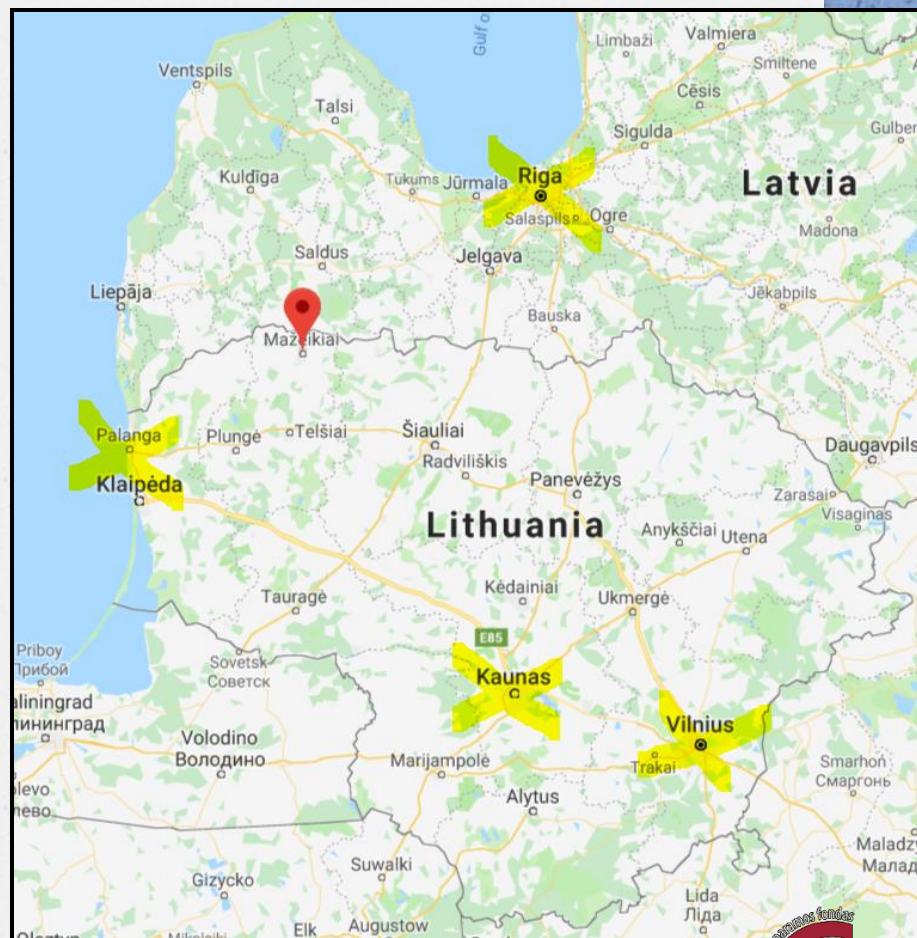
- The participants will be accommodated and the activities will take place at “Palma” hotel in Mažeikiai (<http://palma.lt/viesbutis/en>). The hotel has necessary conditions for accommodation, catering and implementing activities.
- The leaders will be accommodated in a separate room from the youngsters.
- Participants will be accommodated in the rooms of 2-4 people.
- Address of the hotel: Respublikos st. 27, Mažeikiai.





# TRAVELLING

- You can fly to **Vilnius**, **Kaunas** or **Palanga** airports (in Lithuania) or to **Riga** airport (in Latvia), because we are not far from the border with Latvia, so Riga's airport is closer to us than Vilnius.
- You can use public transport, such as busses or trains to travel in Lithuania.
- When you have your flight tickets bought, I will help you to organize the trip from the airport to the venue place and back.



# TRAVEL DAYS!

## PROJECT

- o Youth exchange will last for 8 days, from the 28th March to the 4th April, 2019.
- o Travel days for foreign participants are: the 27th of March and the 5th of April.
- o Lithuanian participants come in the morning on the 28th of March till 9.30 a.m. and leave in the evening of the 4th of April.
- o On the arrival participants will be familiarized with the new surroundings.

## APV

- o Advance Planning Visit will last for 2 days, from the 9th of March to the 10th of March.
- o Travel days for foreign participants are: the 8th of March and the 11th of March.





# PARTICIPANTS OF THE APV

o There are 2 people from each partner organization invited to the advanced planning visit:

1. A leader (must be over 18 years old);
2. A participant (from the target group of the youth exchange – 15-18 years old).

\* IMPORTANT: a participant coming to the APV MUST attend the youth exchange as well. If not – the National Agency does not cover that person's travel expenses to and from the APV.



# TARGET GROUP OF THE PROJECT

- The youth exchange is designed for youngsters, who are interested in entrepreneurship topic.
- Basic English language skills are necessary.
- Participants: **15-18 years old** young people (participants with fewer opportunities are welcome).
- Each national group will consist of 9 **participants** (7 youngsters + 2 leaders).  
In total: **45 participants**.
  - Please assure that there is a **gender balance**.
- If any of participants has any medical condition important to know (allergy, asthma...) please let us know on time!

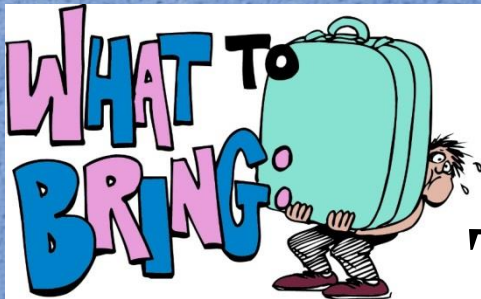




# FINANCIAL CONDITION

- Accommodation, food and planned activities will be covered by project budget. Travel expenses will be covered according to the ERASMUS+ guidelines.
- Reimbursement of travel costs will only be done upon full attendance in the programme and presentation of the original tickets with boarding passes and receipt/invoices.
- Organizers will reimburse 100% of eligible travel costs up to the limit.
- Limit for participants: Italy, Romania, Poland – 275 Eur per participant, Latvia and Lithuania – 180 Eur per participant.
- Travel costs will be reimbursed upon submission of personal online evaluation of leaders, sending all travel tickets and approval of final report by the National Agency.





# THINGS NEEDED



- Toiletries,
- warm clothes and shoes,
- Slippers (if wanted - for the activities' time in the hotel),
- additionally a camera, your favorite board game or anything else you think will make your stay more comfortable,
- you will be sharing room with other people from the exchange, so you may want to take earplugs if you are sensitive to noises,
- something where you can store safely all receipts, tickets, boarding passes. Basically, all documents that we will need in order to refund your travel expenses,
- any medication you will need during your stay,
- ideas for team-building games and other activities to have fun.





# LITHUANIAN FOOD

- o Lithuanian food is well known as delicious and quite heavy.
- o We hope you will enjoy the meals that will be served.
- o We will eat 3 times per day and we will have coffee/tea breaks.
- o Please let us know as soon as possible whether you have any special needs (vegetarian, vegan, no pork, no fish..) or allergies we need to know. We will do our best to accommodate the needs of everyone.
- o Legal age to purchase and consume alcohol in Lithuania is 20 years old.



# INTERCULTURAL EVENINGS

- As part of our intercultural evenings, we would like to find more about your country.
- Please find some space in your luggage to bring some typical food, catalogues, postcards or maps, etc. and also entertaining things like traditional games or anything you think will present your country best.

**Be creative! 😊**





# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- We encourage all participants to bring along nice smiles, superb attitudes and great humor to spice up all activities, sessions etc.
- All participants are expected to be present and active in all activities. Please note that unauthorized absence from the activities and workshops won't be tolerated.
- Prepare to have loads of fun! If you have any ideas and suggestions for our activities, don't hesitate to express this.
- Money and currency. Since the 1st of January 2015, Lithuania has joined the Euro zone. So please exchange the money (if needed) before the arrival.



# PREPARATION

- Meetings in each own country between the leaders and the participants before departure to prepare the participants.
- For minor (under 18 years old) participants, sending organization must ensure that they get parental permission or equivalent.





# CONTACT DETAILS

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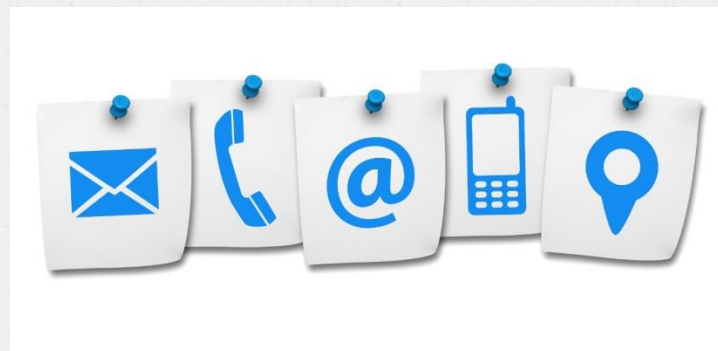
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