## INTERNATIONAL TRAINING







When? 04 - 11th April 2019 | Krzyżowa, Poland

Where? International Youth Meeting Center Krzyżowa (Krzyżowa7, 58-112 Grodżiszcze, Poland)

# Who?

- Are you already active in **youth work**, **citizenship education** or **history projects** and would like to learn **new methods and approaches**? Or are you interested in the topic and youth work, but have never done it before? Either way we invite you to apply!
- We value **diversity of backgrounds, experiences and work fields**. Don't hesitate to get in touch with our national coordinators to find out more about the project and what could be your role in it.
- However, there are a few conditions: You need to be an adult (18 years upwards) living
  in Estonia, Germany, Moldova, Poland, Romania or Ukraine. Citizenship is not a
  precondition. Since the training is going to be held in English, a good level of English is
  required.

*How to apply?* Please fill out the <u>application form</u> and send it back (please see below for more information).

# Application deadline: February 25th 2019

### What?

### Once upon today... in Europe

- is an international training where you can meet people interested in history and historical narratives from 6 countries and get the chance to learn new non-formal education methods.
- focusses this year on personal and community stories related to 1989,
- encourages its participants to develop their own project ideas and to put them into practice with young people from their local communities.



















### You will learn how:

- To bring together different perspectives on the same event/subject and learn practical methods to approach history
- To develop personal connections and explore how stories shape your personal identity, which stories are told in your family, community and how they influence your identity
- To use history in everyday life and various other projects
- To promote tolerance and better understanding of cultures and what brings our stories close together
- To develop critical thinking and grow awareness of the existence of more than one truth

If you want to see pictures from previous editions of the project and learn more, see <a href="https://www.once-upon-today.org">www.once-upon-today.org</a>

# **CONTENTS**

# Once upon today... in Europe: (Y)our 1989.

2019 sees Europe celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of communism and of new democratic beginnings in Central and Eastern Europe. For all countries in the region, 1989 is not some distant event in the past, but the dramatic societal, political and economic change continue to have an impact on the lives of people and their communities today.

In the spirit of our project title "Once upon today... in Europe", we want to explore the way that 1989 is currently remembered, debated and reinterpreted in the countries across the region. As 30 years is also the transition between two generations, we want to develop new, innovative and creative ways to explore the meaning of the year 1989 with young people: What is (y)our story of 1989? How has the revolution changed the lives of your families or your community? How is 1989 currently remembered and discussed in the country you live in? What is our story of 1989 as Europeans?

"Once upon today... in Europe" focuses on issues of belonging and identity in Europe with a focus on historical narratives. What does this mean? When people talk about history, memory and identity, they constantly tell a story about themselves, the communities and states they live in. These stories – or narratives – help people make sense of reality and they are made up of diverse facts, myths, official commemoration and personal memories. Like any other story, they are constantly shaped and reshaped through communication and reflect the values, interpretations and political objectives of the communities and people who share it. Thus, any narrative could start like a tale in present: "Once upon today..."

### **STRUCTURE**

The project has 3 stages:

- International Training 04.-11.04.2019 in Krzyżowa
- The development of **micro-projects** by the participants in their communities April 2019 till September 2019
- **International Youth Meeting** (including presentation of micro-projects) 29.09.-04.10.2019 in Krzyżowa

Participants of the training are invited to carry out small projects on the topic *(Y)our 1989* with young people in their home cities over the summer. It is not obligatory in order to be a participant in the training, but applicants with tangible ideas for carrying out projects will be given special



















consideration. One participant from each country will have the chance to return to Krzyżowa with up to eight young people for the international youth meeting taking place from 29.09.-04.10.2019.

# **PROJECT VENUE**

The international training is going to take place in the International Youth Meeting Center Krzyżowa in Poland. Krzyżowa/Kreisau is a historical site. During World War II it was the meeting place of the Kreisau Circle, an important resistance group against the Nazi regime. Nowadays, the aim of Krzyżowa is supporting peaceful and tolerant existence of nations, social groups and individuals in Europe. The educational work in Krzyżowa builds bridges between the past and the present, between Western and Eastern Europe, and promotes dialogue between generations.

## **PARTICIPATION FEE**

Participation fee covers accommodation, full board and all program activities.

Germany	90€ fee
Estonia	50€ fee
Moldova	30€ fee
Poland	30€ fee
Romania	30€ fee
Ukraine	30€ fee

### TRAVEL COSTS

The travel costs will be reimbursed to each participant according the rules of our donor. Shown amounts are presenting the maximum reimbursement which each participant can receive of the economy class travel.

180€ reimbursement
275€ reimbursement
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275€ reimbursement
180€ reimbursement

## **ORGANIZER**

Kreisau Initiative e.V. (Berlin, Germany)

### **CO-ORGANIZERS**

Protestant Academies in Germany (Germany), Viimsi Keskkool (Estonia), Institute of History / Tallinn University (Estonia), The National Association of Young Historians of Moldova (Moldova), Krzyżowa Foundation (Poland), Associata Burgus (Romania), Young Journalists' Association "Polis" (Poland), ChangeLog (Ukraine)

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