



European Remembrance and Solidarity-Our Right to Remember! (ERS)

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31.08-05.09.2019, Kratovo - North Macedonia

Meeting description

This meeting in frame of the project "European Remembrance and Solidarity - Our Right to Remember!" aims to bring together young Roma and non-Roma a 5 day lasting education and remembrance event in Skopje to raise the awareness about the Roma genocide, about mechanism of exclusion, antigypsyism and genocide, to pay respect and remember the victims of deportation to Treblinka, and to stimulate debate among young Roma and non-Roma about the future of Europe, about solidarity and European values of human rights.

Facts

Dates (including travel days): 31.08-05.09.2019

Country: North Macedonia

Location: Kratovo, Hotel Kratis (<http://www.hotelkratis.mk/>) **Costs of participants:** Travel costs will be reimburse up to 120 EUR max. per person ; Accommodation, food and activity costs are covered by the host organization. IF, above that amount contact the host organization.

Reimbursement is done: Via bank transfer. To be eligible to receive the reimbursement you will need to provide all original boarding passes, invoices, return tickets etc. on the spot during the first days of the project or via email. The reimbursement is done via bank transfer to the sending organization (to avoid the high bank costs for each participant separately) after receiving all original invoices and return tickets. Please, note that the bank costs are not eligible for coverage through this project.

Hosting organization: The project is lead by RROMA (Kratovo).

Participants: We expect 5 participants per country! The participants can be youth activists, youth leaders, youth with a minority background or fewer opportunities. The proposed age range is 18 till 30 years! But, we are keeping the age of 30 below 20% on the actual meeting! Each participant is responsible for their own travel insurance. For this project, there is no participation fee! For the group leader, no age limit!

Programme*- the official and final agenda will be given at the actual meeting. A draft-agenda includes:

31st of August - Arrival in the evening; Dinner and Welcoming evening

1st of September - Group dynamics, exploring the topic



- 2nd of September - Knowledge building and content creation
- 3rd of September - Visit and events in Skopje
- 4th of September - Evaluation and Follow-up
- 5th of September - Departure of participants

Preparations

Please, prepare a small presentation about your organization and its activities. It doesn't need to be a PowerPoint one :) Bring some traditional food, drinks, music etc. for the intercultural night. Also, some information regarding the topic of Holocaust in your country.

Weather

The weather is warm in Kratovo. It should be up to 25 C during the day and 10 C during the night, but be aware that it might also rain! Bring appropriate clothes and check the weather, before packing your bags <http://www.accuweather.com>

Airports

Skopje – <http://skp.airports.com.mk/default.aspx?ItemID=345>

There is a bus that goes to the Central Bus station in Skopje. The ticket costs around 180 denars or 3 eu.

From Skopje to Kratovo it takes 90 minutes. The first bus is at 7.30 in the morning, at 9.00 h, at 13.00h, 16.00h and 16.30h! The price is around 200 denars or 3,5 euro one way, and 270 denars or 5 euro (<http://www.sas.com.mk/>).

In case you have difficulties to find a suitable and cheap flight to Skopje, please check flights to Sofia (Bulgaria) or Belgrade (Serbia)! From there, you can catch a bus directly to Skopje.

We wouldn't recommend to travel by train from Sofia, the connection is quite horrible and it takes too long. Also, there is no rail connection between MK and BG, you would have to travel via Greece or Serbia. The best option is by bus, which is also cheap and fast!

There are many buses per day from Sofia to Skopje. The prices are 32-34 Bulgarian leva one-way (about 16-17 euro). The Kaleya bus leaves from the Central bus station and the Matpu ones from the International bus station between the central station and the train station. The ticket offices are also there. The buses take about 5-6 hours to reach Skopje.

Arriving in Kratovo: You can check the link <https://goo.gl/maps/JoLavNcCFcB2> But, it is a very small walk of 400 m from the Bus station to Hotel Kratis :)

Currency

The country's currency is Denar. 1 € equals 61, 35 mkd. You can't pay with euro in the shops here! The same goes for Bulgaria and Serbia! <http://www.bitolatourist.info/about-bitola/useful-information-on-bitola/486-macedonian-currency>



Emergency numbers

192 - Police

194 - Ambulance

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What to bring!? Materials to present yourself and work of your organization! Drinks and food to present your country and background! Comfortable clothing, lap-top, camera ... and whatever you think will make your stay more pleasant! Also, if the weather allows it, we might be using the swimming pool of the hotel!

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