From Screens to Skills: Equipping Youth for Lifelong Learning and Media Literacy

LOCATION:

Bucharest, Romania

DATE:

13.01.2027 - 21.01.2027



Who are we?

Romanian Angel Appeal Foundation is a non-governmental organization working since 1991 to improve the quality of life and mitigate the risk of discrimination and social exclusion of children and adults in need.

Our vision:
A fair world in which every child, young and adult reaches their full potential.

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Romanian Angel Appeal's mission is to build a fair world for every child, young and adult through actions with impact and sustainable results in the educational, social, and medical field. To achieve its mission, RAA acts in multiple directions – improving the quality of the medical and social services, improving health, social and educational policies, conducting research and supporting the professional development of a variety of specialists through residential and online training.

Dear partners

All organizations are responsible for the preparation, support, and monitoring of your representatives in the youth exchange;

- Each partner will select their participants. The selections will be made taking into account the skills of the youth leader/worker and their motivation, making sure that the profile of the participants is compatible with the planned activities.
- Each partner will participate in and support the follow-up activities and will contribute to establish strategies for the dissemination and use of the project' s results together with their participants.



Context

In today's interconnected world, teenagers are immersed in a digital landscape that profoundly shapes their lives. From social media to online learning, technology offers countless opportunities for growth, connection and exploration. However, it's essential to recognize the potential challenges and pitfalls associated with excessive screen time and uncritical consumption of online content.

Critical Thinking

Learning to Learn

Media & Information Literacy

By fostering a deeper understanding of these issues, we aim to empower teenagers to navigate the digital world with confidence, resilience, and a critical mind.

The Youth exchange will propose non-formal education activities such as interviews, design thinking, brainstorming, videos, world cafe, music, storytelling, open space, and facilitated discussions aimed to fulfill the objectives.

Objectives



- **Developing critical thinking and the ability to make informed choices**
- **Exploring effective ways to learn, reflect and solve problems**
- **Strengthening the ability to understand, question and evaluate information**

Goal

The project aims to equip teenagers with practical skills to question, explore different perspectives, learn more effectively, and make sense of the information they encounter every day, using non-formal education methods within the Erasmus+ programme.

Participants profile

- **14- 16 years old**
- 5 young people from EU Countries & 1 group leader

Location:
BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

Arrival Date:
14th of January 2027

Departure Date:
22 of January 2027

Language:
ENGLISH

Priority will be given to young people who have not previously participated in a youth exchange or who have not yet taken part in a youth exchange organised by Romanian Angel Appeal.

What to bring with you

- IDcardorpassport and visa(if required)
- Comfortable cloths and shoes for indoor and outdoor activities
- Traditional food or snacks for the intercultural moments

Please note that if you are traveling from outside the EU (including the UK), you will need to have your passport with you and notyour ID card.



Requirements & recommendations

- Itis mandatory tostaythe full duration of the Erasmus+ project and attend all activities.
- All participants will be expected to be present and active in all the activities.
- Unauthorized absence from the activities and workshops won't be tolerated.
- Don'tdisturb aftermidnight
- We are curios about your countries and culture so do not hesitate to bring something meaningful to show us. Can be food products.
- Travel reimbursement can be fully removed to the people who dont respect this common sense rules

Schedule

The exact training schedule will be agreed on the first day together with all the participants, to match the needs and customs of the group (i.e. starting time in the morning, length of the lunch break, time for cultural activities, distribution of hours and subjects etc.)

13th of January
Arrival Day

14th January
Getting to Know Each Other & Setting the Context

15th January
Exploring Critical Thinking

16th January
Learning to Learn & Making Better Choices

17th January
Learning Beyond the Classroom

18th January
From Information to Understanding

29 January
Putting Critical Thinking into Practice

20 January
Evaluation and closing

21 January
Departure Day

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112



Border Police
(021) 201.33.09
www.politiadefrontiera.ro

Bucharest Otopeni Airport



(021) 204.10.00
www.otp-airport.ro

Railways Information (Bucharest)



(021) 9521
www.cfrcalatori.ro

Toll-free number for tourists (air traffic)
0800.86.82.82;



Be on time every session, respect the schedule.

Accomodation

The accommodation, meals and training will be provided by the organizers in the Students Complex Tei, Oltetului no 30, sector 2, Bucharest (www.ccsstei.ro). The accommodation is going to be provided in shared bedrooms (2, 3 persons).





Information about meals

- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be served on-site in the restaurant. Coffee breaks will be provided in the meeting room.
- The menu is omnivorous. Please inform us in advance about any special dietary requirements of the participants so that we can accommodate them.
- Cooking on-site is not possible.



How do you get there

To reach the destination, you can use either public transportation or a ridesharing service like Uber or Bolt (both are legal in Romania). As for public transportation, you can take the train from the airport to the train station and then take bus 182 for 13 stops.

Download the 24Pay App on your mobile phone, where you can purchase tickets for public transportation in Bucharest and other cities in Romania. The app will prompt you to enroll your credit card. A ticket costs **3 lei (0.60 euros) and is valid for 90 minutes.**

Things to do and sights to see

- Palace oftheParliament (Palatul Parlamentului)
- Old Town (Centrul Vechi)
- Herastrau Park (Parcul Herăstrău)
- Village Museum (Muzeul Satului)
- Revolution Square (Piața Revoluției)
- Cotroceni Palace (Palatul Cotroceni)
- National Museum of Art of Romania (Muzeul Național de Artă al României)
- Carol Park (Parcul Carol)
- Cismigiu Gardens (Grădina Cișmigiu)
- Museum of the Romanian Peasant (Muzeul Țăranului Român)



Usual expressions

Salut! (/saˈlut/) **-** *Hi!*
Mulțumesc! (/mul.tsʊˈmesk/) - *Thank you*!
Cu plăcere! (/ˌku.pləˈtʃe̯.re/) - *You're welcome*!
Vă rog (/və ˈrog/) - *Please*
Cât costă? (/kɨt kos.tə/) - *How much does it cost?*
Ajutor! ([aʒuˈtor]) - *Help!*
Da (/da/) - *Yes*
Nu (/nu/) - *No*
La revedere! ([ˌla re.veˈde.re]) - *Goodbye!*

Currency

TheRomanian currency is LEI (RON). 1 Euro is aprox 5 lei In Romania, all types of credit cards valid in the European Union are accepted.

Health Insurance

All theparticipantsareurged to have an European Health Card or a Health/Travel insurance for the whole duration of the mobility.

Travel costs and reimbursement

Travel cost will be reimbursed up to the ceiling of the *distance band for mobility events.* All other expenses (accommodation and meals) will be ensured by the organizers.

Ask us! Please, do not purchase any tickets before getting our confirmation. All group leaders or coordinators should represent the participants' tickets to our confirmation via only email. The Romanian Angel Appeal Foundation (RAA) has the right to not make a refund if the leaders didn't ask for confirmation. RAA has the right to present a travel plan or different route to participants.

You're able to purchase your tickets after our confirmation from only official airlines websites. If you buy your tickets from any e-booking sites such as Skyscanner, Kivi.com, etc, RAA has the right to not make a refund.

Bring us the Boarding Passes! They are proof of your travel according to the National Agencies, and it is a small piece of paper given by flight attendants while you are on boarding at the airport. Participants must keep them for all flights. Going boarding passes must be presented upon arrival. Returning boarding passes can be delivered in electronic format (which must include QR code. After the check-in, QR code can be taken) and it is mandatory to be sent via only email.

If you couldn't get a QR code, you must keep a paper boarding pass and send them to RAA. **Pictures of papers are not acceptable.**

Invoice, e-tickets - Reimbursements will be paid to the sending organization bank accounts after all necessary documents (such as boarding passes, invoices, copy of passport etc.) are gathered by us.

The refund process will be depending on when participants send their return boarding passes and other necessary documents. Participants are responsible to send/upload their boarding passes and invoices. If they do not send them, RAA never requests/asks for returning boarding passes and does not refund the money back.

Options will not be reimbursed. Options are: travel insurance, luggage insurance, priority boarding, seat selection, meals on board, flexibility option (possibility to change the date), lounge, fast track etc.

Dissemination

After the experience of the training course, **participants will be engaged in a series of dissemination activities**.

For instance, **participants may be asked to organize a non-formal activity in the community and to share it on social media channels like Facebook, Instagram, or TikTok together with personalized hashtags.**

To also spread awareness, we encourage participants to tell other young people about what happened, what they have learned, how they found out about this project, and encourage them to take opportunities like this and participate in.



They can also organize a meeting with their school colleagues or with their friends. They can either write an article for the community newspaper.

Imagination has no limits, but the key is to actively **participate in the dissemination activity.**

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