



Agro-culture volunteers

25 February - 18 March 2022

Agros- Cyprus

Info Pack



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Dear friends and partners,

We would like to welcome you to our ESC project titled “Agro-culture volunteers” that will be hosted in Cyprus by Youth Dynamics in cooperation with partner groups from Italy, Latvia, Romania, Spain and Greece. In this INFO PACK you can read all the details of the project.



Project Summary

“Agro-culture volunteers” is an ESC project of Youth Dynamics that will be organised in Agros between 25/02/22 - 18/03/2022. In the project will take part 30 volunteers with fewer opportunities from 5 different countries.

Topics of the project: ecology, environment protection, culture & creativity



Details of the project



1. We will host 30 female and male ESC volunteers aged 18-30 years old



2. Project will last for 22 days (25/02/22 - 18/03/22 including travel days)

3. APV Meeting (11 - 13/02/2022)



4. Partner countries: Italy, Greece, Romania, Latvia and Spain



5. Food and accommodation will cover 100% by organizers.



6. Venue of the project is Agros village in Cyprus www.agros.org.cy



7. DEADLINE for partners to select participants: 12 February 2022

Project Partners



Aims of the Project



**Exchange of
experiences**

**Critical
Thinking**

**European
consciousness**

**Skills
Development**

Socialization

**Promoting
Participation**

**Promoting
cooperation**

Travel Expenses



Unit costs of your travel expenses (see table above) will be covered by the organizers with the support of ERASMUS+ programme. In order to receive this money for transportation, please keep ALL original invoices, tickets, boarding-passes or any other transport document. Below, there is a list with the budget with the travel costs (1 person) for each country for both APV and ESC:

Country	Max amount per person in Euro
	245
	245
	330
	330
	500

Very Important!!!!

Travel costs from home to the venue of the project and return. Please note: only cheapest means of transport/fares are subject to reimbursement. All amounts are expressed in Euros.

The above amount is 30 euro less than the official travel costs of ERASMUS+. The reason we deducted this 30 EUR is because in the travel cost we should calculate the transfer from the airport to the venue, which costs approximately 15 EUR each way. It is a private coach hire, and depends also on the arrival/departure time, waiting time in case of a delay etc

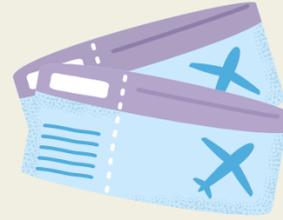
ALL ESC volunteers must travel from their home country to Cyprus. We cannot host people who come from a different country and not from their home country. Of course, you can flight from a different country, but your trip must start from your country. As an example, a person from Italy can go to Greece by bus or train and take a flight from Greece to Cyprus. But we also need the bus or train tickets which confirm that he starts he's journey from he's country.

Entry to the island

Larnaca airport is the nearest to the venue. Cyprus has a second airport situated in Paphos, however transportation between Paphos and the venue is more difficult.

Ercan is an airport in the Northern part of Cyprus, which is occupied by Turkey, and it is considered to be an illegal airport, not belonging to the Republic of Cyprus. Therefore, the European Union cannot cover travel expenses between any country and that airport. This is not our personal opinion, but a policy of Cyprus Republic that we have to respect. Therefore, we are asking you to book your flights with the cheapest flights from one of the 2 legal airports of Cyprus.

Cyprus Flight Bus



In order to fly to Cyprus you must register in **Cyprus Flight Pass** portal within **48 hours** before the commencement of your travel from the Country of Origin to the Republic of Cyprus (either direct flight or via intermediate Countries).

<https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/>



<https://www.pio.gov.cy/coronavirus/eng/categories/en-fly>

Accommodation

Participants will be lodged in youth hostel in Agros village which is located in Troodos mountain area in the heart of Cyprus (www.agros.org.cy).

The hostel offers double and triple rooms with share bathrooms.



Agros Village

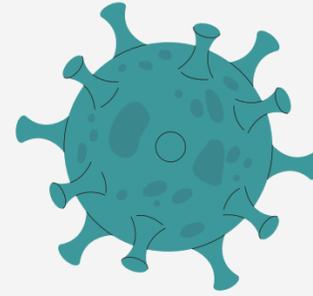


Agros constitutes one of the most beautiful and favourite destinations in Cyprus for everyone who loves nature and tradition as they will ensure a delightful time.

In a short distance from Nicosia and Limassol and in the middle of Troodos Geopark you will find Agros, a place with an especially beautiful natural environment and very hospitable residents. Built in an amphitheatric way in the mountains in an altitude of 1 100 metres, the “head village” of Pitsilia area as it is called due to the fact that it is right in the middle, maintains its traditional character and has a very interesting natural environment as well as rich historical and cultural sites.

Visitors are also given many options for accommodation and entertainment, as well as many options for traditional coffee shops and restaurants where they can enjoy traditional tastes and products along with warm hospitality.

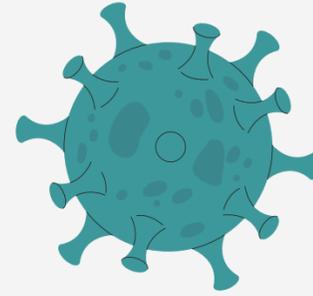
Safety Information vs COVID-19



As hosting organization, we made our best to rethink about our project, local activities and accommodation in order to comply with the standards of the new normal. Your mobility experience is redesigned by considering Cypriot regulations and health / safety recommendations from the European Union and World Health Organization. Please read below mentioned regulations which is prepared for your maximum safety and comfort during your stay in Cyprus:

- We will use cleaning and disinfecting protocols to clean rooms after participants depart from activities rooms, with particular attention paid to high-touch items. The youth will be welcomed in already cleaned and disinfected rooms.**
- We do not give the participants' privacy information to third parties.**
- The participant is required to have the insurance in order, also travel insurance in case of quarantine or travel suspension due to COVID-19 measures.**
- Before activity participants are recommended to avoid public events and gatherings due to COVID-19 remaining danger.**
- We keep safe distance indoors and outdoors, maintain hand hygiene and wear masks.**
- Accommodation of participants is more space to ensure more personal space.**
- Participants will maintain the "group bubble" during the activity for more safety.**
- We recommend taking direct flights to Cyprus and back if is possible.**
- We recommend you to buy flexible tickets or cancellation insurance**
- Hydroalcoholic gel at your disposal in various areas of the house and office where the activities mainly will take place.**
- If a participant develops respiratory symptoms, they will be isolated and tested for COVID-19. The group will continue working normally. If COVID test returns positive, the group will be isolated and tested for COVID. We follow the national guidelines to ensure safety of participants and staff.**

Safety Information vs COVID-19



In order to protect themselves and others, it is necessary that participants pay attention to the prescribed safety measures:

- In closed spaces it is recommended to wear a mask and maintain physical distance;
- In open spaces it is necessary to maintain the required physical distance;
- It is necessary to cover mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing;
- It is necessary to wash hands often after being in a public place, or after blowing nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- The host will take all necessary preventive measures in accordance with the current epidemiological situation caused by the COVID-19 virus.

In this official Cyprus webpage you can read all the important information guidelines, announcements, press releases and updates about travel restrictions and countries categorized according to their epidemiological situation:

<https://www.pio.gov.cy/coronavirus/eng>

European Health Insurance Card

It is the participant's responsibility to have a travel health insurance or a European Health Card. The European Health Card is accepted in every country within the European Union, can be obtained for free and is valid for 1 year.

More info at:



European Health Insurance Card

The European Health Insurance Card makes it easier for people from the European Union's 28 Member States plus Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland to access health care services during temporary visits abroad.

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Special Needs

Please inform us if any of your participants needs a special diet or any special care.

Project People



Nikolas Christofi
Youth Worker
Project Facilitator



Vasilis Christofi
Biologist
Project Coordinator

What to bring with you



The weather in Agros at this time varies between 8- 20 degrees and it could be both rainy and sunny. Before come take a look on www.weather.com

- Your passport and ticket!
 - A backpack – to use when we walk with our equipment.
 - Preferably some sweater, underwear and socks made for activity
 - Hiking boots or good walking shoes that is water proof
 - Running shoes or similar for outdoor activities and sports
 - Wind and waterproof jacket and pants
 - A warm sweater
 - UK Electricity Adaptor
 - A hat / winter cap
 - Towels and toiletries
 - Torch
 - Wipes
 - Food for any case
- Optional:**
- Camera
 - Laptop
 - Sunglasses

Useful information about Cyprus



Cyprus currency is Euro



Cyprus Time Zone is UTC+2 EET

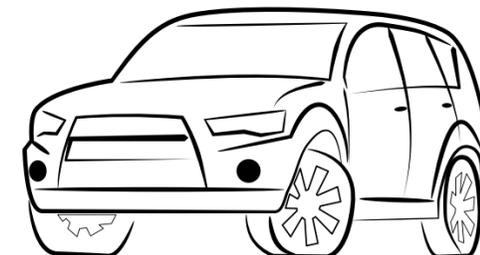


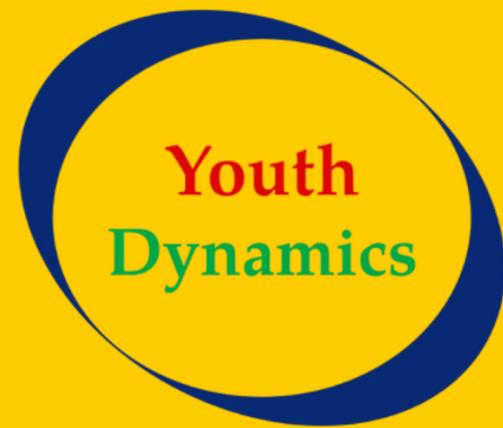
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