



Call for participants TC “Human Rights from A to Z”

1-7 November 2018
Dolni Lozen, Sofia, Bulgaria

Dear partners and participants,

We would like to invite you to participate in the **Training course “Human Rights from A to Z”** that will take place in Bulgaria in the period **1st till 7th November 2018** and will gather **34** representatives of organizations from 12 countries - **Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Great Britain, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain.**



About the project “Human Rights from A to Z”

The project “Human Rights from A to Z” is dedicated to the topic of human rights in the context of forced migration and has duration of 9 months (from 1st August 2018 till 30th April 2019). The training will be streaming in two directions – the theoretical introduction of the topic (human rights in the context of forced migration) and building of practical skills in order for the participants to consolidate the knowledge gained and applying it in their daily work with youth.



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The **aim** of the project is to cover the basics on the topic of Human Rights and Forced Migration and to inspire activists to seek and actively contribute to change in their local community, Europe and the world.

The **specific objectives** of the project are connected in the following main themes:

- Human rights: Raising awareness about key concepts and terms connected with human rights topic. Understanding human rights' historical development and evaluating the current situation. Expanding the knowledge about the existing protection mechanisms of human rights.
- Forced Migration and Refugees: Expanding the knowledge of the participants on the topic of forced migration in Europe and the world.
- The role of the non-governmental organizations: Understanding the importance of nongovernmental organizations and the civil society and their role for protection and respect of human rights, namely of refugees and migrants.
- Practical work: Support and guidance in organizing of workshops on the topic of human rights and forced migration. Gaining knowledge about educational tools for effective training of young people on the mentioned topics and prevention of radicalization.

Dates and venue of the training course

The training will take place from **1st (afternoon) till 7th November 2018 (lunch)** (5 full working days and two days - 1 arrival – 1st November and 1 departure day - 7th November) in Bulgaria, in the **Red Cross Training Centre** (<http://www.redcrosstrainingcentre.org/>) in Dolni Lozen, next to Sofia. The participants need to arrive in the afternoon on 1st November and depart in the afternoon on 7th November.



Partner countries, organizations and participants

Service Civil International Österreich – Austria

VIA vzw - Belgium

CVS-Bulgaria – Bulgaria

SCI Germany - Germany

International Voluntary Service – United Kingdom

Melissa Network of Migrant Women in Greece - Greece

Útilapu Hálózat - Hungary

SCI Italia - Italy

One World Association – Poland

Rota Jovem - Portugal

Društvo za razvijanje prostovoljnega dela Novo mesto - Slovenia

SCI CATALUNYA – Spain



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SCI Madrid – Spain

Each partner organization will be represented by **2 participants**, and Bulgaria – the receiving country - will be represented by **6 participants**.

Profile of the participants

The training course is for:

- **youth workers, leaders and activists**, with **interest in** and **experienced on** the topic of Human Rights and Forced Migration
- Age 18+
- Willing to learn and share
- Willing to practise and multiply learning after the training course
- Able to understand and express themselves in English
- Are committed to attend for the full duration of the project

Travel costs - Reimburse of the travel tickets will be done according to the rules of the Erasmus+ programme based on distance calculation. The reimbursement will be made after the training course, after the participants provide all original travelling documents (coming and return). Please keep your **original tickets and boarding passes**.

Austria – up to 275 Euro
Belgium – up to 275 Euro
Germany – up to 275 Euro
Greece – up to 275 Euro
Hungary – up to 275 Euro
Italy – up to 275 Euro
Poland – up to 275 Euro
Portugal – up to 360 Euro
Slovenia – up to 275 Euro
Spain – up to 275 Euro
United Kingdom – up to 360 Euro

For the reimbursement to take place participants will need to attend at least 90% of the training course.

Breakfast, lunch, dinner and coffee breaks during the training duration will be provided by the organizers.

Insurance will be also provided by the organizers. The participants are encouraged to bring European Health Card as well.

All participants will receive **Youthpass** upon successful completion of the training.



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Application procedure

If you are interested in participating, apply by **20.09.2018** filling in the online application form:

<https://goo.gl/forms/zh3ir81oxiW3N2662>

The final selection will be done by CVS-Bulgaria, giving priority to candidates proposed by the Partner Organisations as long as their application is submitted within the deadline and the candidates profile fits with the participants profile envisaged in this call.

Selected participants will be informed by **25.09.2018**. All applicants will be informed about the final decision

For any further questions, please contact us at trainings@cvs-bg.org or at + 359 884 766 435.

Human Rights from A to Z
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Information about CVS-Bulgaria

[CVS-Bulgaria](#) is a non-governmental organisation that has been working in the field of international volunteer exchange since 1998 and was officially registered in 2002 as an organisation working in public benefit. CVS-Bulgaria is a branch of the international peace and volunteer-exchange network of Service Civil International (SCI - www.sciint.org) and a full member of South Eastern European Youth Network (SEEN - www.seeyn.org).

CVS-Bulgaria aims to promote the values of volunteer work through organising variety of voluntary activities; to motivate young people to be active and participate in volunteer actions - thus taking part in the development of the civil society; to promote and support intercultural understanding and solidarity, social justice and environment preservation.

Main activities of CVS-Bulgaria are: organising short- and longterm volunteer projects, youth exchanges, trainings, hosting and sending volunteers for projects in public benefit in Bulgaria, Europe and the world, as well as working in partnership with other NGOs on local and international level to promote volunteering as a tool for active citizenship.

Since 2010 we are developing **The Refugee project** (www.refugeeproject.eu) - a local project connected with asylum seekers and refugees, in cooperation with Caritas Sofia. Yearly more than 100 local volunteers work in the project which beneficiaries are more than 1000 asylum seekers within different age and ethnic groups. Each volunteer is dedicating at least two hours per week over a minimum period of 4 months. We have different activities (Bulgarian and English lessons, but also art workshops, music activities, sport and games sessions, IT lessons, maths and science and cookery) in all three reception and accommodation centers in Sofia - Ovcha Kupel, Voenna Rampa and Vrazhdebna. Over the year we organize excursion and different raising awareness campaigns.

CVS-Bulgaria also organized a local project called **“Break the wall: volunteering for peace and human rights”**. It aimed at promoting active citizenship by sharing and strengthening human rights initiatives of local organizations in various cities in Bulgaria.

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