



CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS:

Diversity Festival "Terp of Tales"

Grou, The Netherlands

<u>5th - 12th August 2018</u>



The Youth of European Nationalities (YEN) is looking for participants for the Diversity Festival "Terp of Tales".

The event will take place in Grou and will be hosted by "FYK" Frysk Ynternasjonaal Kontakt. This is event is supported by Erasmus+.

If you are interested in participating, please fill in the online application form at http://www.yeni.org/registration/?event=2236&title=DiversityFestival2018
The deadline for the application is the 8th of July 2018.

About the Seminar:

We are very excited to invite you to the fourth Diversity Festival of YEN that will take place from 5th till 12th of August 2018 (Arrival: Sunday, 5.08.2018 Departure: Sunday, 12.08.2017) in the province Fryslân. Ljouwert, the capital of Fryslân, and the province are the European Capital of Culture 2018 and therefore a perfect place to highlight diversity of minorities during the Diversity Festival.

The motto of this year's Diversity Festival "Terp of Tales". A *terp* is the Frisian word for a man made hill, made centuries ago by people living in the Frisian lands, built to live on to be safe from the incoming sea. The *Terpen* are still plentiful in Fryslân as beacons of the Frisian community. With *Terp of Tales*, we will build our own terp, our own beacon for our diverse community that is full of tales to be told.

In different workshops, the participants will have the opportunity to deal with the linguistic and cultural diversity of national, ethnic and linguistic minorities as well as exploring new forms of artistic participation.











The following workshops will be offered:

1 Theatre Workshop

Participants need to bring material on their minority folktales. Participants need to select a folktale from their minority that appeals to them for various reasons. During the workshop, participants will discuss these tales and the reasons why they chose the tale: What are the key issues of the tale that need to be passed on? The workshop will use these tales to express minority topics that should be told to a broad audience and will work on the development of the participants' skills needed to

express a clear message. The workshop will work on a performance for the final show that includes minority tales which show the richness of cultures and the need for everyone in Europe to support that diversity.

2 Choir: minority tunes

In this workshop, participants are asked to bring one or more songs from their own minority, preferably in their language and telling a (folk)tale, and be able to explain the song and how it fits in today's context. The workshop will discuss these topics and form & practise a selection of (newly formed) songs which interweaves minority language, music, and issues.

3 Digital tale telling

During the workshop participants will create a Digital Story reflecting on the current situation of youth participation and Minority Rights in Europe. Digital Storytelling is a simple and innovative method which allows young people to convey a personal story in an illustrative way in a short video of two to five minutes. The workshop offers participants an insight to storytelling methods and improves their media skills including storyboard creation, film and photo techniques and audio recording.

4 Languages: minority voices

Participants are asked to bring folktales from their own minority, which are typical for their minority and of which they love the story. Participants will discuss the tales and how the minority languages add to the story. This leads to the participants telling and learning more about each other's languages. They then will work on how to engage the audience on learning more about minority languages in Europe, and will work on interactive methods which they will carry out during the final performance, for example with games, small language courses or minority language bingo. This workshop does not necessarily have to perform on stage, but can choose to do their activities around the stage in between the audience. The participants will gain knowledge on minority languages and will learn how to increase awareness and engage a large public with these languages.











Accommodation

We will stay in a youth hostel in Grou, an old quaint village in Fryslân surrounded by lakes. The hostel is right next to the water and therefore we can swim or take a boat/canoe in our free time.

Additional activities

- *Cultural night:* you will learn more about the Frisian culture with Frisian games, and a Frisian language & culture quiz
- **Excursion:** We will visit the beautiful region of Fryslân, including of course, a terp. Besides this exciting hill we will see the sea, visit another minority in Fryslân and go to Ljouwert as the capital of Fryslân and Culture.
- Lân fan Taal: during 2018, Lân fan Taal is the place to be for minority languages, as this pavilion hosts a different minority each week to present themselves to the broad public. This week, YEN will be hosted by Lân fan Taal and we can represent our own minorities in two events the open cultural market & the diversity festival to European, Dutch and Frisian visitors.



Profile of the participants

- Young members of minorities involved in their minority youth organisation (aged 16-30).
- We would ask you to bring a tale/ a story/ a folktale from your minority to share at the workshops as this will be the material to work with
- Be able to work in English
- Stay for the whole event











Travel Reimbursement

Travel costs will be reimbursed by 70% up to a certain amount according to the Erasmus+ regulations. Make sure to choose the cheapest and eco-friendly way of travelling to the venue, e.g. by car.

Participation Fee

The participation fee is <u>80 € for Western European participants</u> and <u>50 € for Eastern European participants</u>. It covers food and accommodation for the entire seminar, as well as excursions and required materials during the event.

Social fund of YEN: If you may have difficulties to pay your either travel costs or participation fee, Contact the office to ask for more information and/or apply for financial support (office@yeni.org).

Application Procedure

Please note that **all applicants must be proposed by an organisation**. Applications sent by individuals **will not** be considered. After the deadline, applicants will be informed whether they are selected or placed on a waiting list. **If you book your trip before, we cannot reimburse your costs.**

Please book your tickets right <u>after</u> you get the official confirmation from the YEN office!

Additional information will be sent to you after your participation is confirmed by the office. If you have any questions about the event or the workshops, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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We are looking forward to your participation! FYK and YEN Orga-Team





