

JEF Europe International Seminar:

"Digital Youth - What's ahead of us?"

13 - 17 October 2017 in Brussels, Belgium

About the Seminar

"Digital Youth - What's ahead of us?" is the forth and the last activity of 2017 "E-democracy: connecting youth and politics through digital tools" work plan that sets out to contribute to the education for digital democracy. During the workshops the participants will get an opportunity to share their knowledge and experience, as well as ideas on how to better contribute to raising awareness about digital participation around the world.

The seminar will present the projects implemented in the framework of the 'local actions' dimension of the 2017 Work Plan. It will also give an opportunity for the participants to present their action ideas, which aim at contributing to the promotion of digital democracy and e-participation. The seminar will also be a unique networking opportunity, where the participants with similar interest could find potential partners to cooperate for the future activities.

Taking the advantage of being in the capital of the European Union, JEF Europe will organize visits to non-governmental organizations active in the digital democracy sector, as well as the European institutions to meet with decision-makers.

The seminar will take place during the Digital Democracy Day organized by European Citizen Action Service (ECAS), which will be a part of the program.

Thanks to this international activity, participants will be empowered to organize further local actions, and to improve the conditions for digital participation in their local environment.

How will we work?

The methodological approach of the seminar will ensure that the principles of non-formal education are fully respected. This means that the participants will be offered possibilities to be fully engaged in planning and achieving their learning, through various experiential processes (role plays), small group work, expert input and open debates. Related to the inputs provided by external speakers, JEF Europe will ensure that the speakers who will come to address the participants with their expert input will be very experienced and able to engage youth in active and meaningful dialogue.

Application procedure

Who is eligible to apply: Citizens of one of the 47 member states of the Council of Europe + citizens of Belarus. The final decision of the selection procedure is done by JEF Europe based on the motivation of the applicant.

The project is financially supported by the European Youth Foundation of the Council of Europe. The European Youth Foundation (EYF) is a fund established in 1972 by the Council of Europe to provide financial support for the European youth activities. Since 1972, more than 300,000 young people, aged between 15 and 30 and mostly from member states, have benefited directly from EYF-supported activities.





Application form: **HERE**

Deadline for applications: Sunday, August 20th, 2017 23:59 CET**

Successful applicants will be contacted by Monday 21 August 2017 23:59 CET

Practical Information

Participation fee: €100 (€50 for people living in Brussels, or anyone who does not require accommodation). A number of scholarships of 30 EUR will be provided based on the quality of the response with the regard to the applicant's motivation.

The participation fee covers full board and lodging during the seminar (13 - 17 October). All meals are covered from Friday dinner until Tuesday lunch. International seminar will start on Friday 14:00 and will finish on Tuesday 15:00.

Travel reimbursement: 70% of the travel costs (up to max. 150€)

JEF Europe will <u>only</u> issue travel reimbursement by bank transfer and upon presentation of all original travel documents after the end of the seminar.

<u>Do not</u> book your ticket and/or pay the participation fee before you receive an e-mail confirmation regarding your selection.

<u>Cancellation policy</u>: Participants who have been confirmed and have paid their participation fee, but cancel their participation after 22 of September 2017 will receive 50% of their participation fee. Cancellations after 1 October 2017 are not refundable at all.

<u>Participation</u> in all sessions is <u>compulsory</u>. In case of absence, JEF may apply a penalty on the travel reimbursement.

Visa procedure

JEF Europe will assist in visa procedures if needed.

Participants requiring a visa to Belgium are requested to complete the dedicated questions in the application form. In case you need an invitation letter, please contact us via the email below.

Detailed agenda

The detailed agenda of the seminar and an Info-Kit will be sent to the participants shortly after their selection.

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