



12th Edition

YOUTH VOLUNTEERING FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT

In the Framework of the *International Year of Volunteers + 10 (IYV+10)*
2011 and the *European Year of Volunteering 2011*

CEULAJ, Mollina (Spain) 18 - 25 September 2011

Call for Partners/Activities

The University on Youth and Development is an activity jointly organised by the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe, the Spanish Government (INJUVE), the European Youth Forum (YFJ), the Spanish Youth Council (CJE) and other international youth organisations.
<http://www.uyd.me/> - http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/nscentre/Youth_en.asp

Since its first edition in 2000, the University takes place once a year bringing together representatives of youth organisations and youth movements from all over the world who gather in the CEULAJ (Euro-Latin-American Youth Centre) to discuss, train and be trained as well as to take political action around the main issues on the global agenda.

In 2011 the University on Youth and Development will be gathering for the 12th time and therefore renewed hopes and aspirations, objectives and challenges are launched to the partners to reinforce this as the space and home of Global Youth Work and of the Global Youth Movement.

Main Goals

- To create a political space where youth can act upon and acknowledge the role they play in Global Development.
- To initiate and encourage debate aimed at defining the role youth play in elaborating development policies and in co-operation for development initiatives.
- To facilitate a process aimed at defining and implementing projects within the field of youth.

Date and length of the Activities

The University will be held from the 18th to 25th September 2011.

The main arrival day for participants to the University is the 18th of September and the Departure day is the 25th. Activities are therefore foreseen to have the length of 6 days starting on the 19th and closing on the 24th of September. Partners should also consider the weekend 23rd to 25th for preparatory meetings and preparatory work.

A preparatory partners' meeting is also foreseen for 17th June 2011, selected partners are expected to be available to attend this meeting.

Joint Theme 2011

On the occasion of the *International Year of Volunteers + 10 (IYV+10) 2011* and the *European Year of Volunteering 2011*, the 12th Edition of the University on Youth and Development will be held around the promotion of awareness of youth volunteering for Global Development and joining efforts to give visibility and engage into a debate about Youth Volunteering for Global Development.

In 2011 we will be living the 10th anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers, held in 2001. This will be an exceptional opportunity to join a global effort to reinvigorate the spirit of volunteerism. The Partners of the University on Youth and Development want to join the various institutions, from the different regions of the world, that are planning events throughout the year of 2011 “to showcase the diversity, breadth and depth of volunteering worldwide, to raise the profile of volunteering and to mobilize many more volunteers”.
<http://www.worldvolunteerweb.org/iyv-10.html>

Within the European Union, “almost 100 million citizens of all ages invest their time, talents and money to make a positive contribution to their community by volunteering in civil society organisations, youth clubs, hospitals, schools, in sport clubs, etc. For the Commission, volunteering is an active expression of civic participation which strengthens common European values such as solidarity and social cohesion. Volunteering also provides important learning opportunities, because involvement in voluntary activities can provide people with new skills and competences that can even improve their employability. This is especially important at this time of economic crisis. Volunteering plays an important role in sectors as varied and diverse as education, youth, culture, sport, environment, health, social care, consumer protection, humanitarian aid, development policy, research, equal opportunities and external relations.”
http://ec.europa.eu/citizenship/focus/focus840_en.htm

The Joint programme but also the training activities, seminars and discussions that partners will bring to the University are encouraged to be a contribution to this debate.

Deadline for submitting a proposal for an activity

The enclosed form proposing an activity to be held at the 12th University on Youth and Development should be returned to the North-South Centre by email, **by 13 February 2011** to nsc.youthandglobalisation@coe.int

Main Criteria for the activities:

- organised by youth and youth serving organisations and having young people as target group (age between 18 -35);
- have a theme and aims that constitute a relevant contribution to the aims of the University, (activities related to capacity building and youth empowerment)
- have a Global or Interregional (i.e. Euro-Mediterranean, Afro-Asian, Euro-African, etc) scope, both in terms of the participants and the content. The University partners will particularly value activities involving Asian participants.
- involve a maximum of 25 participants;
- seek gender balance in terms of the participants

Activities organised in partnership between various organisations and resulting in partnerships and co-operation processes are highly encouraged. The University itself is result of these kinds of synergies.

What is covered?

- Board and lodging for the duration of the activities (arrival day 18th September, departure day 25th September 2011)
- Rooms and facilities for the activities
- Basic equipment
- Interpretation: English, French and Spanish for plenary(ies) of the Joint Programme.

Partners' Commitments and Responsibilities towards the University

The University on Youth and Development is organised around the principle of economy of scale which reduces the overall cost by doing things together. This principle also means that all partners are asked to contribute for the collective costs of the University respective to the asymmetric financial capacities of each of the partners and relative to the size of the activities.

A minimum contribution of 500€ and a maximum of 3000€ is the foreseen contribution from each of the activity's partner.

Each partner is equally responsible for the travel cost of the participants involved in its respective activity (close travel terminals: Airport of Malaga-AGP and the train station of Antequera -Santa Ana).

Partners are expected to build together the University and its Programme and to actively take part in the preparatory process and meetings, contributing to such things as: proposing and mobilising guest speakers and resource persons to the joint moments; organising or co-organising joint activities; proposing volunteers; contributing to the evaluation and to the media and press coverage etc. This commitments will be discussed in detail in the partners' meeting.

Unicology: Over the last years the partners of the University on Youth and Development have developed and encouraged inspirational practices in order to build a socially and environmentally sustainable activity. This is also expected in the 2011 UYD (ex: non-paper policy, low energy consumption, using recycled and recycling materials, using fair trade goods, using environmentally friendly means of transport etc).