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YOUNG EUROPEAN CITIZENS' CONVENTION



Equality? Discrimination? Inclusion?
A place for everyone in the European Union

10-20th July 2014

Cluny Abbey, Burgundy, France



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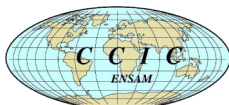
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WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT ?

The Young European Citizens' Convention is a ten day summer school where around 50 participants come together to share their thoughts, ideas and perceptions of Europe and discuss their hopes, fears and solutions for the future. Since 2001, The Young European Citizens' Convention has been held in Cluny, Burgundy, France.



DATES

Thursday 10th - Sunday 20th July 2014

TOPIC

The topic of the 2014 edition is:

Equality? Discrimination? Inclusion?

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As participants you will spend 10 days working on and elaborating proposals to combat discrimination within European society in order to create an environment where diversity is the backdrop to a genuine coming together of European citizens. You will be supported throughout this process by a team of organisers, facilitators and experts.

OBJECTIVES

The main learning objectives of the Young European Citizens' Convention are to :

- Share ideas and experiences
- Develop critical thinking
- Analyse and evaluate
- Compare and differentiate
- Propose solutions



You will also have the opportunity to live together with other young Europeans, discover French cultural heritage and meet local people.

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METHOD

The methodological framework of the summer university is based on taking advantage of the rich resources that an intercultural, interdisciplinary, and plurilingual learning and working environment provides. The team will incite participants to develop their autonomy and self-directed learning skills and to engage in innovative learning approaches that go beyond traditional lectures and seminars.

- Working groups and negotiation skills sessions to enable participants to gain an overview of the main strands of the topic
- Simulations of the European Council and commissions
- Open Space: a collaborative group working method based on mutual learning



PRINCIPLES

A collaborative and non-hierarchical learning environment

WORKING LANGUAGES

French and English

Communication between participants is mainly bilingual but there are times when either French or English are used more frequently. A B1 level in both languages is therefore highly recommended. As you are living with other Europeans, you will automatically improve your skills in either language. However, please note that the summer school is not a language course.

Since 2001, 800 young people from over 50 countries have participated in the Young European Citizens' Convention.

PARTNERSHIP AND SUPPORT

French Laureate of the
« Prix Charlemagne pour la jeunesse européenne 2011 ».



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APPLICATIONS

Apply online through our website www.e-europe.net, please follow the instructions carefully. Your application must include :

- 1 A letter of motivation
- 2 A CV

Academic diversity : Apart from languages skills, no other academic or professional qualifications are required. We explicitly encourage participants from various fields to apply.

The application deadline is the **27th April 2014**.

Candidates selected will be informed by email before **10th May 2014**.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Minimum age: candidates must be born before 1st January 1994
- Personal motivation
- Geographic diversity:
 - 3 to 4 participants per country from EU Member States
 - 1 to 2 participants per country from countries outside Europe

REGISTRATION FEES

300 € EU Citizens of Germany, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Spain, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Sweden.

200 € EU Citizens of Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, The Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain.

For all non European countries, please contact us.

The registration fees cover accomodation on the premises of the Cluny Abbey, working materials and all meals. Travel costs are not included in the fees.



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