







COMMUNITY ACCELERATOR: TRAINING LEADERS - STRENGTHENING CIVIL SOCIETY



OVERVIEW SHORT DESCRIPTION

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Study visit "Ukrainian Center - a good example of strengthening civil society," will bring together young community leaders from Ukraine, residing in Lithuania and Ukraine, working in various fields, non-governmental organizations, governmental institutions, and being part of various movements. The project aims to provide community leaders with the necessary competencies to promote civic participation and empower communities. The participants of the project will get acquainted with various institutions and organizations operating in Lithuania, that work with Ukrainians living in Lithuania and provide youth work services.

During the study visit, community leaders will establish partnerships, and after the event, they will initiate community initiatives and future projects aimed at addressing relevant problems and challenges. The project will take place in Lithuania from 22 - 26 of October 2024.

This visit will involve 22 Ukrainians, 10 will be war refugees living in Lithuania and 12 will come from Ukraine. The age of participants will range from 18 to 29 years old. During the study visit, participants will visit Vilnius and Kaunas and will get acquainted with the activities of the Ukrainian Center, such as the Youth think-tank, the regional youth leadership network of the Ukrainian Center, and the Sunday School of the Ukrainian Center. We will also visit other youth service providers, such as open youth centers, and non-governmental organizations working with Ukrainian war refugees.

TARGET GROUP

- active Ukrainians between 18 to 29 years old
- students, university graduates and members of non-governmental organisations
- people working with youth
- young people able to communicate in English
- young people able to participate the whole duration of the study visit

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

Lead partner:

Vytautas Magnus University, Ukraine center https://www.ukrainoscentras.lt/

Ukrainian partner organisation:

За сімейні цінності

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

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Day 1, 22 of October, 2024 (Tuesday)

Arrival of participants (afternoon);
Getting to know each other;
Introduction to the study visit;
Presentation of participants' organisations;
Group building.

Day 2, 23 of October, 2024 (Wednesday)

Interactive workshops on community leadership, civic participation, and development of civic actions.

Cultural Evening

Day 3, 24 of October, 2024 (Thursday)

Study visits to Kaunas city. Visiting Vytautas Magnus University. Lectures and workshops by university lecturers.

Walking tour around Kaunas.

Day 4, 25 of October, 2024 (Friday)

Interactive workshops "Project Laboratory". Best examples of Ukrainian initiatives in Lithuania. Study visit to Vilnius city, VMU Ukrainian centre, meeting representatives of local organisations working with Ukrainian refugees.

Day 5, 26 of October, 2024 (Saturday)

Wrap-up of the training, evaluation of the visit.

Departure of participants (noon).



VENUE

You will be hosted in the Training centre "Daugirdiškės" (www.daugirdiskes.lt), which is situated 45 km from Vilnius.

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This **venue** is unique, as it only hosts educational activities for and with young people since 2010.

Participants will **stay** in rooms of 3 or 4 people. Each room has a separate shower and toilet.

Meals. Participants will be provided with 3 meals per day (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and coffee breaks will be served.

Everyone will get a small and big towel (and additional towels will be provided when we will go to Sauna, just bring your own slippers and swimming suit).





VISITS / FREE TIME

During the training course, we will visit Kaunas and Vilnius, historical town of Trakai and have outisde activities.











