



Educational Organization SHARP MINDS

A HUG FOR ALL

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Photo: First lady Jill Biden hugs Ukrainian refugees Victorie Kutocha and her daughter Yulie Kutocha, 7, at a city-run refugee center in Kosice, Slovakia., May 8, 2022, available at:https://s.abcnews.com/images/Politics/ukraine-russia-refugee-biden-01-ap-llr-220509_1652136307946_hpMain_16x9_992.jpg

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INFOPACK OF THE PROGRAM

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A few words about EO Sharp Minds

Educational Organization SHARP MINDS, is active in the field of European Programs since the beginning of the Millennium, as an Informal Youth Group. After many years and many projects, this original fellowship, has decided to be transformed in an NGO/NPO, focused on modern issues and problems of our common European Society. Inclusion and Participation for all is our strong "moto" which follows us in our projects. Many youngsters around Greece, had the opportunity, by trusting the experience of E.O. SHARP MINDS, to travel around Europe, to meet new friends and the most important to experience the magic of the Erasmus+ educational programs.

At the same time, the Organization also works as a Greek Hosting Organization in Erasmus+/VET projects and has established many cooperation around Europe through its KA2 Programs of Strategic Partnership.

In 2020, Educational Organization SHARP MINDS, has achieved to be accredited by the Greek National Agency (INEDIVIM) and the EU, in the sector of YOUTH (2020 - 1- EL02 - KA150 - YOU - 006884).

A few words about the TC "A Hug for All"

The Social Inclusion and Integration of the moving people towards the European Countries, even if many years have passed, remains one of the main unsolved problems in EU. During the TC we will try to spot the main problems that delay the process of their Social Inclusion, and we will find together ways that will facilitate them to become full members of our societies.

Through this cooperation we will manage to develop a network that will carry specific skills regarding the refugee issue. Together we will break down stereotypes and prejudices about our fellow human beings who are tested every day, even if they have been saved by the wrath of war. It is more than obvious, that sometimes, racism and social exclusion seem even worse than the war itself. We will exchange opinions, ideas, good practices on how these people can be transformed useful citizens of our society, active people with full rights and responsibilities.

Project Details - APV

Venue: **ATHENS GREECE**

Accommodation: **ICONIC ATHENS HOSTEL** [<https://www.iconicathenshostel.com/>]

Number of Participants: 1 participant per country

Dates of Activities: 15-17 October (departure date 17/10)

Project Details - MAIN ACTIVITIES

Venue: **ATHENS GREECE**

Accommodation: **OASIS HOTEL APARTMENTS** [<https://oasishotelapartments.com/en/>]

Number of Participants: 5 participants (gender balanced - fewer opportunities) per country

Dates of Activities: 17 November - 01 December 2022

Methods of Training: Non Formal Education Activities, Inclusion Workshops, Seminars, Cultural Visits, Development of Law Terminology for Human Rights, Interactive Challenges with Local Community.



PREPARATION OF THE GROUPS

All participating countries will have to provide a presentation regarding the situation which exists in their countries, referring to the issue of Refugees and Immigrants. The presentation must be prepared by the group of participants of each country and it must not exceed the 15 minutes session. You can use your own template, responding to the following categories of interest, so you know where exactly to focus during your research.

Keep in mind that E.O. SHARP MINDS provides the space for new ideas to flourish. The participants of each group will be assigned with specific roles and tasks during the project so we can achieve the needed active participation for all. These details will be discussed during the APV meeting. **Your representatives during APV, must be people with high responsibility because they will transfer all the information about the formation of the daily activities program and the tasks for each country.**

We highly encourage a polite and respectful attitude during the whole project. The participants are required to have the willingness to explore and learn. There will be a very demanding and challenging Training Course which includes various methods of learning.

Finally, **each group must appoint a person that will be responsible to organize the recycling procedure and coordinating the rest of the participants, collecting any glass, plastic or metal material.** It's not enough to declare that we concern about the environment but in every chance we got, we must also prove it!!

Participants and their profile standards

The Training Course will accept participants from 18-40 years old, under the term that at least the 80% of the total number will not be more than 30 years old.

The groups must be gender balanced and at least the 50% of the participants must be people with less opportunities (social, educational, economical, geographical). In this way we offer the chance for more people to experience the Erasmus+ Program without leaving any obstacle to block their life opportunities.

The selection and the preparation of the participants will be done under the responsibility and guidance of the Partner Organizations, respecting the requirements of the project as they are described inside the current InfoPack and the information that will be extracted by the APV meeting.

It is strongly advised for the participants to have good knowledge (both reading and writing) of English language since it is the official language of the TC and terminology sessions will take place during the activities.

Vaccination Requirements and Covid-19 restrictions

For the time being, there is no restriction referring to Covid-19 in Greece. Never the less, we strongly recommend the use of mask in all means of transportation and in places where you will be found with lots of people.

E.O. Sharp Minds will have the possibility to provide on demand, a Covid-19, self-test. **In any case, E.O. Sharp Minds, will not have any responsibility about the personal measures that each participant must take for himself/herself, to prevent Covid-19 infection.**

Insurance policy - Security

All participants are strongly suggested to issue the European Card of Insurance. This card is possible to be issued only by the participants from EU countries. For participants out EU, we strongly advice to have a private health insurance plan.

Educational Organization SHARP MINDS, keeping the security standards, has booked Oasis Hotel-Apartments which is based in a safe area and easily accessible by the means of transportation. The Reception is open 24/7 and ready to provide you with services and information. In this way we reassure the security of our participants 100% .

Accommodation in OASIS HOTEL APARTMENTS

The Hotel is located in the area of Glyfada, the heart of the "Athens Riviera". In front of the Hotel there is a bus-stop.

All rooms have internal bathroom/s. Towels and sheets will be changed according the schedule of the Hotel. The same counts for the cleaning of the apartments. Never the less, you will be able to have something (extra towel or sheets or blanket) by asking the reception.

Any dietary restrictions must be declared to the participants' list, so E.O. Sharp Minds will be able to inform the Hotel for any restriction or dietary preferences (e.g. vegan, vegetarian etc.)

Travel expenses

Slovakia - 275 €

Italy - 275 €

Turkey - 180 €

Bulgaria - 275 €

Hungary - 275 €

Czech Republic - 275 €

North Macedonia - 180 €

The traveling budget limits are defined by Erasmus+ Distance Calculator (as shown above). **The tickets, both APV and Program, will be bought by the E.O. Sharp Minds, in cooperation with the participants. The Partner Organizations will be responsible to form a Messenger of Viber or WhatsApp group, including the Project Managers of E.O. Sharp Minds so they can manage the issuing of the proper airplane tickets for all.**

É.O. SHARP MINDS **must have in original or digital form**, the tickets used as much as the boarding pass of each participant. Thus, **each participant must carry with him/her/they all traveling documents and to deliver them to the Project Managers of the program.**

The reimbursement of any additional ticket (train, bus, metro) will be done ONLY via our Organization's Bank Account directly to the Partner's Organization Bank Account and only if they originals will be handle to the Project Managers of the Project. **There will be no case for the transfer to be done in an individual account or to reimburse in cash.**

Route to Oasis Hotel Apartments - Main Activities' Venue

After arriving at Athens International Airport, you must take the Bus X96 (Athens Airport to Piraeus Port) and you disembark at the Station "4th Glyfadas". If you are not sure, please, kindly ask the driver and you will get help.

You can find additional information in English to the following link:

<https://www.athensairportbus.com/en/timetable/x96airporttopiraeusport.html>

Route to Iconic Athens Hostel - APV Venue

The Hostel is located in the area of Kerameikos (Gazi), one of the most vivid areas in Athens. It is only 150m away from Metro Station Kerameikos and the area is absolutely safe.

All rooms have internal bathroom/s.

After arriving at Athens International Airport, you must take the Metro line 3 (M3 Blue Line) destination Egaleo. You should stop at the Kerameikos Station. The Hostel is just 1 minute walking distance from Kerameikos Metro Station.

The address is here: **Evmolpidon 24 & Triptoleμου 18, Athens, 11854, Greece**



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