

# Erasmus + project

## Seminar “Vibrant minds”



**13.-19.04.2026.  
RIJEKA, CROATIA**



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# About us



PROJECT IS ORGANIZED BY ASSOCIATION ALFA ALBONA.

ASSOCIATION ALFA ALBONA WAS ESTABLISHED IN THE YEAR OF 2011 AND SINCE THEN IS WORKING IN THE FIELD OF: YOUTH INFORMATION (REGIONAL YOUTH INFORMATION CENTRE, EURODESK MULTIPLICATOR), MOBILITY OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND YOUTH WORKERS (EVS/ESC, YE, TC, STUDY VISITS, SEMINARS, INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AND CHILDREN SUMMER CAMPS) AND SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

WE ARE HAPPY TO HOST YOU IN RIJEKA, CROATIA AND ARE HOPING THAT THIS PROJECT IS ONE OF THE MANY MORE IN WHICH WE WILL COOPERATE.

WE ARE ALWAYS OPEN FOR NEW IDEAS, PROJECTS, SO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SHARE AND CONTACT US ANY TIME.

# About the project



The "Vibrant Minds" seminar is an Erasmus+ project designed to bring together youth workers from diverse cultural backgrounds to explore innovative art practices that empower young people. The program will combine workshops, cultural visits, and collaborative projects aimed at enhancing participants' skills in using art as a transformative tool in youth engagement. Topic: Focusing on "Art Practices in Working with Young People," this seminar will delve into various artistic methods and explore how they can be effectively integrated into youth work. Participants will engage with local cultural institutions, learn from experienced practitioners, and develop practical skills to apply in their own contexts.

## Objectives of the Project

### 1. Explore Art Practices:

- Investigate various art methods that can be employed in youth work.
- Share successful case studies and best practices among participants.

### 2. Enhance Skills:

- Equip participants with practical skills to engage young people through art.
- Foster creativity and innovation in youth work.

### 3. Cultural Exchange:

- Promote understanding and appreciation of diverse cultural approaches to art.
- Build international networks among youth workers.

### 4. Visit Cultural Institutions:

- Engage with local art organizations and cultural institutions to observe and learn from their practices.
- Facilitate discussions on the integration of art in community development.

# About the project

DATES: **13.-19.04.2026.**

VENUE: Rijeka, Croatia

WORKING LANGUAGE: English

PARTICIPATING organisation and COUNTRIES:

1.Udruga Alfa Albona, **Croatia**

2.Creative minds for culture, **Latvia**

3.Asociacion Cultural Maditerranea, **Spain**

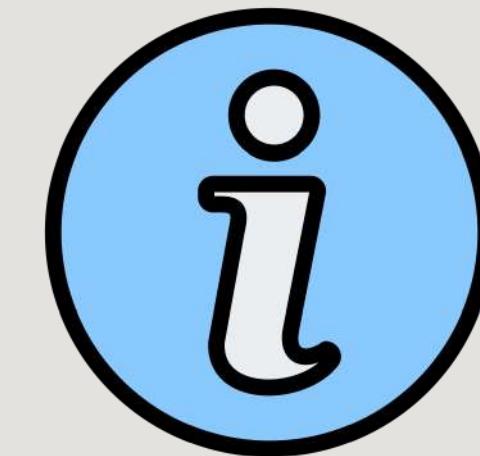
4.Stichting Bildung Platform Nijmegen, **Netherlands**

5.AJME - Associacao Juvenil Memoria Europea, **Portugal**

6.Asocijacija Tavo Europa, **Lithuania**

7.Lorelei Youth Center, **France**

8.Red blue beetle ngo, **Italy**



PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS: **YOUTH WORKERS / YOUTH  
INTERESTED IN YOUTH WORK / VOLUNTEERS / MEMBERS OF  
SENDING ORGANISATIONS THAT ARE BEGINNERS IN THE YOUTH  
WORK**

AGE OF PARTICIPANTS: **18-35**

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS PER COUNTRY: **3**

# Schedule

13.04.2026. Arrival day - check in for the accommodation from 17:00 o'clock (free day)

14.-18.04.2026. Working days

19.04.2026. Departure day - check out from the accommodation till 10:00 o'clock

Please notice that on the day of the arrival 13.04.2026. and on the day of the departure 19.04.2026. the meals are not covered by the project.



# Schedule by days

14.04.2026.

BREAKFAST

10:30-13:00 START OF THE PROGRAMME + PRESENTATION OF THE TEAM AND THE PROGRAMME + EXPECTATIONS / CONTRIBUTIONS/FEARS

13:00 - 16:00 LUNCH + FREE TIME

16:00 - 19:00 GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER + TEAM BUILDING

19:00 DINNER

EVENING TO BE AGREED ON THE PLAN TOGETHER



15.04.2026.

BREAKFAST

10:30 - 13:00 PRESENTATIONS OF THE ALL ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT WITH THE FOCUS ON ART ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH

13:00 - 16:00 LUNCH + FREE TIME

16:00 - 20:00 PRESENTATION OF LOCAL ART ORGANISATION: URBANI SEPARA: THEIR PROJECTS AND GOOD CASE PRACTICE + COMMUNITY COOKING (DINNER)

EVENING TO BE AGREED ON THE PLAN TOGETHER

# Schedule by days

16.04.2026.

BREAKFAST

10:00 - 13:00 VIJEĆE MLADIH BENČIĆ -  
PRESENTATION OF LOCAL ORGANISATION  
AND THEIR GOOD CASE PRACTICE + TOOLS OF  
WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE ART  
FIELD



13:00 - 17:00 LUNCH + FREE TIME

17:00 - 19:30 VISITING RİPERAJ - AN UNIQUE  
PLACE FOR SUSTAINABLE AND SOLIDARY  
SOCIETY + ART UPCYCLING WORKSHOP

19:30 DINNER

EVENING TO BE AGREED ON THE  
PLAN TOGETHER

17.04.2026.

BREAKFAST

10:00 - 13:00 ART NATURE WALK + ART  
PHOTO WORKSHOP

13:00 LUNCH

FREE AFTERNOON & EVENING  
RECEIVE MONEY FOR DINNER

- PARTICIPANTS WILL

18.04.2026.

BREAKFAST

11:00 - 13:00 FINAL EVALUATION

13:00 - 17:00 LUNCH + FREE TIME

20:00 DINNER OUT + FINAL PARTY

# Location



**RIJEKA,  
CROATIA**

The location of our project is **Rijeka, Croatia**.

Although, Alfa Albona is from the city of Labin, in Istra region of Croatia we decided for this project that the implementation for seminar will be in a region next to ours, only 60 km away from our home - in the town of Rijeka. We have chosen Rijeka, as it offers various art places, it's lively all year long, provides easy routes and connections to travel. Rijeka is the third largest city in Croatia after Zagreb and Split in terms of number of population. Rijeka is also the most important Croatian seaport due to its strategic geographical position. Interestingly, Rijeka was selected as European Capital of Culture for 2020 along with Galway in Ireland. Not many people know the fact that Rijeka every year hosts one of the biggest Carnival Festivals, almost as popular as the one in Venice. The first festival was held in 1982 and more and more people attend it each year. Rijeka has an interesting historical background and lots of other activities which will definitely amaze you. As Croatia is a part of EU, also our currency is euro.

# Event Venue 1

**RI-HUB  
RIJEKA**



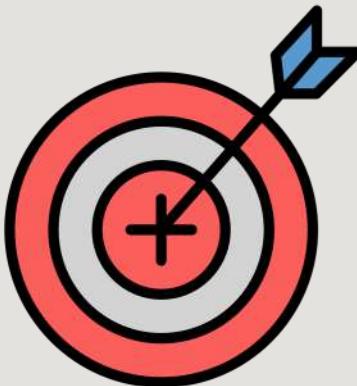
IVANA GROHOVCA 1/A  
51000 RIJEKA, CROATIA



RiHub was designed and opened in September 2018 as a central point for informing the public about the European Capital of Culture project. In February 2021, its functioning was redefined – as the Startup Incubator Rijeka moved into it. By joining the Startup Incubator Rijeka, it is also being put into the function of developing small and medium-sized enterprises, while remaining a space intended for cultural programs and content, civic initiatives and activist programs close to culture. On this venue we will have workshops daily in the morning time, our coffee breaks, as well as our meals for the lunch delivered. Also your accommodation will be close and can be approached daily by walking.

# Event venue 2

**KLUB  
PALACH**



KRUŽNA ULICA 8,  
51000 RIJEKA, CROATIA



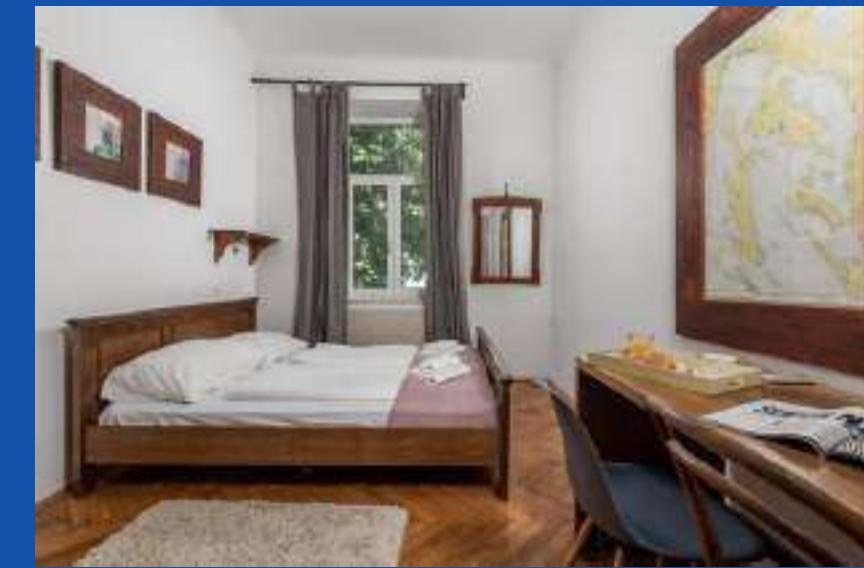
The RiRock association began its formal work in 2006, through recognized cultural and social activities, events, festivals, music workshops, projects and permanent programs. They have strived to provide an alternative to consumerist culture and thereby satisfy the needs and interests of young people, enable them to achieve personal affirmation, integration and encourage their involvement in the urban music culture of the city of Rijeka and its surroundings. Klub Palach is one of the places they own and that is situated in the city centre with concert place, cafe bar, facilities for workshops, youth club and community internet radio Radio Roža. On this venue we will have workshops daily in the afternoon time, our coffee breaks, as well as our meals for dinner delivered. Also your accommodation will be close and can be approached daily by walking.

# Accommodation

Participants will be placed in a shared flats in the city centre of Rijeka that offer all for comfortable staying. Check in for the flats are on the date 13.04.2026. from 17:00o'clock, check out on the date 19.04.2026.till 10:00o'clock.

The info about the flats and participants list by flats will be received before coming to the project with complete list of participants by flats, address and we will make a mutual whatsapp groups by flats and also a mutual whatsapp group for the project to share all info daily.

Please notice that the flats have the following rules: smoking is not allowed, parties/events are not allowed, guests need be quiet between 10:00 PM and 8:00 AM. So in case, you want to party please do it outside of the accommodation place, as parties and people gathering in the flats are forbidden and will be reported immediately. We don't want that you or us, have problems with this, so please keep in mind to use the flats for the accommodation only, not for parties.



# More important info



Meals will be served directly to us on the place of the workshops, in Ri-Hub and Klub Palach.

The participation fee for this project is 25,00 euro per person and can be paid on the first working day of the seminar.

General profile of the participants: 3 youth workers / volunteers/ members of the ngo's aged 18-35 from each country included that are beginners in the youth work.

Geographical Scope: Residents of participating EU countries that are included as partners in the project: Croatia, Latvia, Spain, Netherlands, Portugal, Lithuania, France and Italy.



# Travel reimbursement



The hosting organization covers travel costs, accommodation, food and programme activities.

## IMPORTANT:

The travel costs are calculated by the Erasmus + distance calculator, please check your town / place of the departure and put in place of arriving Rijeka, Croatia and you will get the number of km in distance which means:

if 100-499 km of distance then you can spend up to 211,00 eur

if 500-1999 km of distance then you can spend up to 309,00 eur

if 2000-2999 km of distance then you can spend up to 395,00 eur.

In case of using more than 50% of the transport for the return travel then the budget for the travel is different (it means travelling train, bus, carpool, bicycle):

if 100-499 km of distance then you can spend up to 285,00 eur

if 500-1999 km of distance then you can spend up to 417,00 eur

if 2000-2999 km of distance then you can spend up to 535,00 eur.

# Important to know



Participants can be reimbursed for the travel based on the spend amounts and up to the amount according to the Erasmus + distance calculator AND UPON PROVIDING ALL INVOICES AND TICKETS FOR THEIR TRAVEL.

For example, if a participant spends 201,00 euro (out of 211,00 euro which is the highest amount for his/hers/its travel according to the Erasmus + distance calculator) the amount to be reimbursed is 201,00 euro which is the actual spend amount.

Please notice that in order for participant to be reimbursed for the travel there are the following rules:

- 1.) participant needs to actively participate in the programme of the project
- 2.) each participant needs to send to the email of the hosting organisation: all travel tickets with invoices (for the plane, bus, train) including the boarding passes after returning home and no later than a week after the actual apv, so that we can process immediately with the money transfer.

The transfer of the money for the travel will be done directly from the account of Alfa Albona to the participant personal bank account in case that the sending organisation buys the participant the tickets for the travel, then on the account of the sending organisation.

On the last day of the project, the participants will receive a document to fill out with travelling info and prices that they will need and then when return home send all travel tickets, invoices and boarding passes.

In case of green travel, there will be additional document to sign in which they confirm they have used more than 50% of travelling by train, bus, carpool, bicycle.

# Important to know

Most of the flying companies, such as Ryanair now have only digital boarding passes.

These digital boarding passes often disappear from the applications on the mobile phones, once they have been used, so in order to be on time and have them for later proof of travelling, please download them or make a screenshot of the boarding passes before you use them.

Please remember, to also send us a receipt / invoice for the purchase of the travel: plane, bus, train tickets. After buying the tickets, download the receipt / invoice in which is visible how much you paid for the travel. For this is possible to send us a pdf file of the proof of the purchase or an actual receipt / invoice which you will receive or ask the travel provider.

Please notice, that taxi servise can't be reimbursed as a means of transport for your travel.

In case you have more questions, please don't hesitate to ask in order to know exactly all the rules for the travelling. We are on call for any help and advice.

Once again, after you make a plan for travelling please share this with us, and after our approval you can buy the travel tickets.

For the participation on this project, each participant will receive a Youthpass certificate, a European recognition tool for non-formal and informal learning in youth projects.



# Important to know

There are several places in which you can come close by plane and then reach Rijeka after:

Zagreb (Croatia) - Franjo Tuđman airport or Rijeka (Croatia) - Rijeka International airport  
Venice (Italy) - Marco Polo airport  
Trieste (Italy) - Friuli-Venezia Giulia airport



so check out low costs airplane companies that are operating in mentioned cities or choose green travel and travel by train or bus directly to rijeka.

After reaching out the choosen airport, the travel can be continued by bus to the town of Rijeka. Rijeka has only one bus station and it's called Žabica Rijeka - and it's only 5-10 minutes walking from your place of the accommodation.

You can check out the times and routes for the bus on the following link: <https://traveling.com/en-gb/>

In case of reaching out the Zagreb airport (Croatia), which is situated in Velika Gorica (15 km from Zagreb), then you will need to first take a bus from the airport to the Zagreb bus station. it operates every 30 minutes from Zagreb airport and goes directly to the bus station Zagreb, and the duration of the trip is around 20-30 minutes, depending on the traffic.

The tickets can be bought directly in the bus or online. The bus is situated on the right side of the exit from the airport and the name of the bus is Pleso - zračna luka Zagreb.

# Important to know

In case of buying online tickets and not directly inside of the bus then you can do so on the following link:

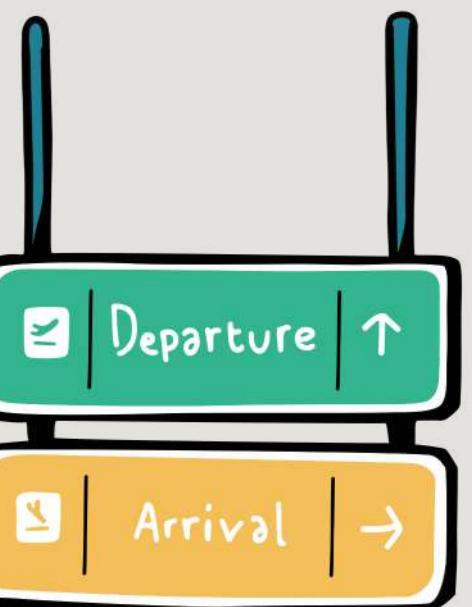
<https://plesoprijevoz.hr/>

There is also an option to go directly from Zagreb airport - Franjo Tuđman to Rijeka, but this line operates daily only with 1 departure, which is at 15:30. So in case you can't reach this line, then you will need to first take the bus from Zagreb airport to Zagreb bus station, and then continue the travel by bus to Rijeka.

From Zagreb to Rijeka by bus you can buy tickets, as explained before on:

<https://traveling.com/en-gb/>

Usually it takes around 2,5 hours as the distance from Zagreb to Rijeka is around 160 km.



ZAGREB AIRPORT - FRANJO TUĐMAN



ZAGREB AIRPORT - PLACE TO FIND A BUS  
TRANSPORT TO RIJEKA OR TO ZAGREB  
BUS STATION (ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE EXIT FROM THE AIRPORT)



ZAGREB BUS STATION -  
PLACE TO FIND A BUS TRANSPORT TO RIJEKA

# CONTACT US!



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