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BEYOND "I"
REDISCOVERING
COLLECTIVE ACTION

INFOPACK





DEAR PARTICIPANTS, WELCOME ON BOARD!



This Infopack will provide you with all the necessary information about our YE **“Beyond “I” - Rediscovering collective action”** More specifically, you will find a description of the hosting organisation, project, venue, and other practical aspects.

We kindly recommend you to read it carefully :)



THE HOST ORGANIZATION

HRYO (HUMAN RIGHTS YOUTH ORGANIZATION) IS A NON-PROFIT, NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION FOUNDED IN PALERMO IN 2009 WITH THE AIM OF STRENGTHENING HUMAN RIGHTS AT A LOCAL AND GLOBAL LEVEL.



VISION

HRYO believes in **a world governed by peace and mutual understanding**. We see **education** as an essential aspect towards creating a reality that promotes and protects **human dignity**, all aspects of **equality** and **sustainability**. As an organisation, we see the importance in supporting **local action** and developing the potential of a single human being, for small changes lead to big processes.

MISSION

Our mission is to facilitate, through various means, the **fulfilment of Human Rights** and establish an international network of organisations and individuals who are actively contributing to their local context. We seek to work actively towards a culture of peace, by promoting and taking part in **non-violent action** towards the **liberation from oppression** in any form. While taking action we promote, encourage and celebrate the value of **diversity**.



To create a department specialised in issues that affect the position and role of women in society

To be of influence in the change of law, rules and policies that protect the Human Rights

To promote culture as a tool in the acceptance and understanding of diversity



To restore Human dignity by using non-formal educational projects that respond to the needs of society and the individuals

OUR GOALS



To breakdown prejudice by connecting different realities and facilitate an intercultural dialogue

To raise awareness of oppression and suffering and the issues surrounding them

To create, facilitate and communicate a pathway towards a culture of peace, respect and sustainability

To establish a local Human Rights Centre that educates about and promotes the integration of Human Rights with daily life



To establish a network that supports local movements in conflict zones



PROJECT'S DESCRIPTION

This YE focuses on the importance of collective action and cooperation among young people in addressing the challenges faced by contemporary societies.

Today, many social and economic systems encourage people to focus mainly on personal success, competition, and individual goals. While individual achievements are often celebrated, *less attention is given to the value of collaboration, community engagement, and shared responsibility.*

As a result, many young people may feel disconnected from collective processes and unsure about how they can contribute to positive change in their communities.

Through *non-formal education* activities, group discussions and simulations this project aims to create a space where participants can reflect on the role of collective action and community participation, and *explore how cooperation between individuals and communities can help address important social challenges such as environmental issues and social inequalities*

The project encourages participants to **rethink the importance of working together rather than acting alone**, and to recognize how collective efforts can contribute to building more inclusive, supportive, and sustainable communities.



THE VENUE

Palermo, the vibrant capital of Sicily, is a city where **history, culture, and community life** blend together in a unique **Mediterranean atmosphere**. Its rich **architectural heritage**, lively **street markets, multicultural soul**; its historic neighborhoods, such as Ballarò and the old city center, are living laboratories of social diversity, creativity, and community-led initiatives.

Most of the activities will take place at **Terra Franca**, the **HRYO urban ecological microcosm**: a land confiscated from the mafia that returned to the community. Today, it is a vibrant ecological and social hub that hosts a wide range of activities, including **permaculture**, environmental education, community-based projects and where we try to apply grassroots solutions for environmental and social transformation.





Yes, we love to work here!



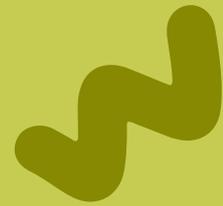


And yes.
We also love our
beaches.



WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

This exchange is for you if:

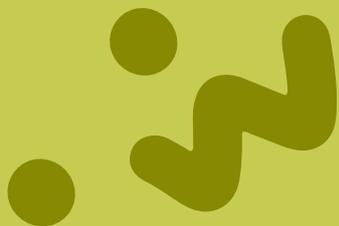


You are **motivated** to explore the project's themes and interested discussing social challenges;

You are willing to **actively participate** during the activities of the exchange,

You are curious to **meet other people** and willing to **share spaces and moments** with them;

You are able to work in **english**.





ACCOMODATION

During the mobility the participants will be in “**A casa di amici**”, an hostel which is equipped with comfortable beds, linens, Wi-Fi, hair dryers, air conditioners and heating system, a shared kitchen and shared living spaces. **Participants are requested to bring necessary products for personal care, such as bath towels, combs, shampoo etc.**

To reach the structure from the airport we suggest to take the REG 5612 Palermo train from PUNTA RAISI which will take you directly to **Palermo Loli Station**, from there it will be a 5 minutes walk to the hostel located in Via Dante 57, 90141, Palermo.

The participants will have **breakfast** at the hostel, lunch will be provided at TF and dinner will be both at the hostel, both in outsides restaurants. The food prepared will reflect both Sicilian and multi ethnical culture, taking into consideration the basic needs of human beings and religious restrictions. We will privilege a **vegetarian diet** - as an environmental and political choice! In case participants desire to eat something out of the fixed menu, they will need to inform the staff of HRYO in advance and pay for that course on their own.





LAST USEFUL INFOS

MOST OF THE ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PLACE IN TERRA FRANCA!

Terra Franca is about 20 minutes from the hostel, taking a 5 minutes train from Palermo Lolli to Palermo Francia (€2.00)

Terra Franca is located inside a natural environment, there are covered spaces in case it rains but we suggest to bring **comfortable clothes** and **shoes**. In case of heavy rain or cold weather, activities will be at our office located in the city center!



TRAVEL DAYS

will be on the 10th of April and 17th of April



ACTIVITY DAYS

will take place from the 11th of April until the 16th of April

Contact Us!

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Bear in mind that Tavo Europa keeps the right to send the most suitable and motivated participants to all of our projects.

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