

# Game Magic @YouthWork

A Training Course in Bernāti, Latvia  
03 – 08 November 2015

Dear participants,

We are very excited that in November 2015 our group of youth workers and youth leaders will meet in Latvia to discover the topic of game and new methodology creation. We will also be strengthening cooperation within the ERASMUS+ and our organizations. We believe that our adventure will bring new experiences, knowledge and skills and of course friendship.

**“Game Magic @YouthWork” is an international training course under the Erasmus+ programme organized by Shokkin Group Latvija in Bernāti, Latvia during the period of 03.11.2015 - 08.11.2015 involving 30 participants from Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Denmark, Netherlands, Turkey, Cyprus, Malta and Spain.**

When speaking of the topic and the methodology of the training course we have highlighted that all members of our organization time to time experience the creativity burnout and not always come back on track. Thus, the training course is needed to help youth workers/youth leaders get inspired and create new games and methods for youth work. We also spoke to local youth workers at schools and youth centers who agreed on the burnout issue and some of them don't have competences to create educational games but have a strong interest and will to it. The training course aims to give youth workers frameworks and space to create and practice educational games of high quality.

## Aim:

To empower and give youth workers frameworks and space to create and practice educational games of high quality.

## Objectives:

- To share a framework for creating educational and experiential games;
- To give participants tools for mapping and identifying needs of their target group;
- To discuss the topic of a game as an educational tool;
- To create a set of educational games in the frame of non-formal learning;
- To share gaming practices for inclusion and entrepreneurial attitude.
- To give participants tools for a creative approach of the topic of youth work;
- To find suitable ways of using creative methods for working with young people;
- To create a game compilation booklet and an on-line resource;
- To give tools of involving youngsters into the game-creation process;
- To empower youth workers/youth leaders to take creative action with young people.

## Promotional material to take with you



As we all come from various organizations and 9 different countries, it might seem a good idea for you to bring promotional materials of your organisation. You might want to meet with your board and colleagues to discuss jointly with them what kind of projects and future co-operation your organisation is interested in offering or joining during this training course.

## Technical information

We will be accommodated in a hotel in mixed-country rooms ([www.chillinn.lv](http://www.chillinn.lv)) If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via the email [shokkingroup.latvija@gmail.com](mailto:shokkingroup.latvija@gmail.com)

- A participation fee of 08 EUR will be taken out of the reimbursements.
- Reimbursements will be transferred to your bank accounts after the training course on presenting all your financial documents

The group will consist of 30 participants, 2 trainers and 2 support staff. This will enable you to meet different people, find partner organisations for your further activities within the Erasmus+ programme and better understand how to facilitate youth exchanges and how to proceed later on.

Each country have to send 3 participants to the main activity of GM@YW in Bernāti, Latvia



### Intercultural evening

An international event without an intercultural evening would be a shame! Thus, we ask you to bring samples of your traditional and/or regional food and drinks for all of us to discover and enjoy. You might also want to bring snacks from your country for intercultural coffee breaks so we can pimp them out. If you are a guitar player, dancer, origami master, cobra charmer or someone else, then don't forget to bring your guitar, cobra, sheets for origami and etc. The more you bring, the more opportunities we will have to gain new skills and enjoy the time better. Any contribution, we take it! And it's not only for the intercultural evening...

We expect you to arrive on the 02nd of November till 18:00 at the venue place so we can nicely manage to get there on time for late dinner.

Here you can find the maximum reimbursement amount of travel cost per person from each country.

Only the cheapest way to the venue will be reimbursed on the presentation of full documents. First class flight tickets and taxi services are not reimbursed.

Country of Origin	Country of Destination	Distance Band	No. of Participants	Travel Grant per Participant
Latvia	Latvia	100 - 499 km	6	180.00
Denmark	Latvia	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00
Netherlands	Latvia	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00
Estonia	Latvia	100 - 499 km	3	180.00
Turkey	Latvia	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00
Cyprus	Latvia	2000 - 2999 km	3	360.00
Malta	Latvia	2000 - 2999 km	3	360.00
Spain	Latvia	2000 - 2999 km	3	360.00
Poland	Latvia	500 - 1999 km	3	275.00

## Small checklist for you:

- ✓ Book tickets to fit the budget
- ✓ Inform of your arrival time/date
- ✓ Join the Facebook group (ask your NGO to add you)
- ✓ Bring promo materials of your organization
- ✓ Bring your national/regional food/drinks/snacks
- ✓ Bring your passion items (games/guitars/pianos)
- ✓ Pack warm clothes (might be ranging -12 to +6)
- ✓ Don't oversleep your flight
- ✓ Make sure you checked info how to reach venue place
- ✓ Enjoy time in Latvia



## Programme

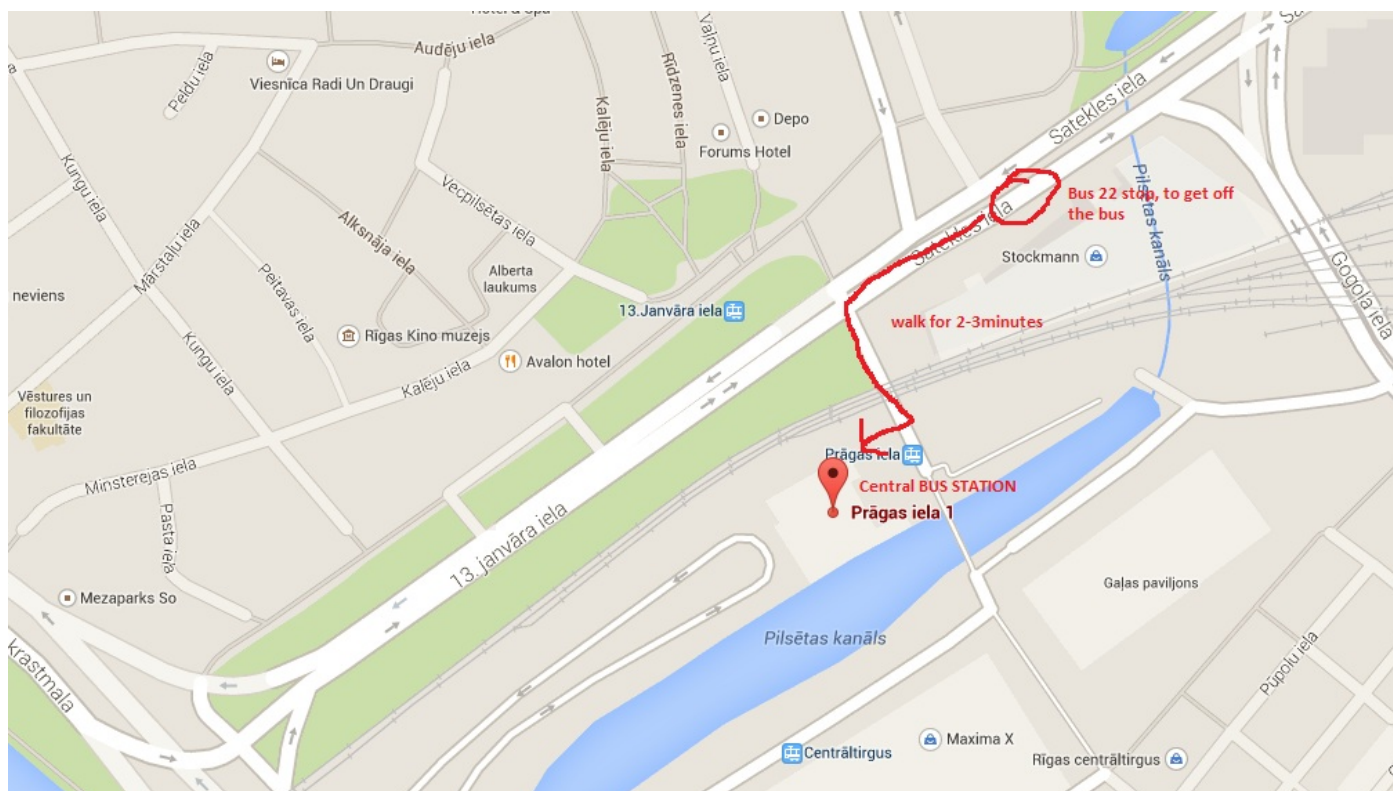
		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
10.00-11.30	Arrivals	Getting to know each other	Introduction to NFE	Need-Assessment	Work in Groups	Let's Play (Group 1)	Project Tools	Departure
12.00-13.30		Project presentation	Game-Assessment	Setting Learning Aims	Work in Groups  Mid-term Evaluation	Let's Play (Group 2)	Work in Groups	
15.00-16.30		Team-building	GAM-E-ductaion	Game Architecture	Discovering local realities	Let's Play (Group 3)	Pitch Perfect	
17.00-18.00		Erasmus+	Youth Worker Role	Work in Groups		Let's Play (Group 4)	Final Evaluation	
18.00-18.30		REFLECTION				REFLECTION		
21.00-...	Welcome Evening	NGO CatWalk	Intercultural Evening	Night Shift	Host Country Evening	Free evening	Farewell Party	

## HOW TO REACH VENUE PLACE FROM RIGA!

From Riga airport, take bus nr.22, ask the info center, or exit the airport and go down through the car park, to the bus stop with public transport ticket machine (we use euros now, get the single ride ticket and jump on the bus), after the bus crosses river, it will stop at the bus stop, but you go further on, and get out at the next bus stop, called "AUTOOSTA", and walk 2 minutes to Prāgas street 1.

Bus schedule to Liepāja: <http://www.autoosta.lv/> Choose English, then on the route selector: Rīgas SAO to Liepājas AO, price 8,55EUR

Guys coming to Riga by bus, you will arrive in the same bus station, just check out the info and get the ticket at the bus station ticket office and jump on the bus!




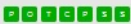

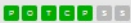

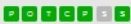

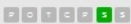











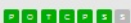





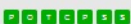



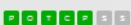

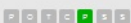
Liepāja bus station view (below)! Get out there and find a bus with destination: NĪCA, when it leaves Liepāja city, it will drive for around 15 minutes straight, after it will turn right to a narrow road, then after 1 minute you have to get out at the bus stop EGLĪTES (ask bus driver to stop there) and there you will see a sign with guest house name CHILL INN and an arrow directing you to the right direction for 400m walk!



Time table for buses from Liepāja to venue, destination and platform written on the timetable, tickets you can get ONLY at the bus station or in the bus, ask for bus stop "EGLĪTES"!

Check out latest bus timetables at [www.autoosta.lv](http://www.autoosta.lv) or ask us



Departs	Arrives	Route	Schedule	Ticket price	
05:35	06:07	Liepāja-Nīca-Otanķi  On road: 00:32, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
06:20	06:53	Liepāja-Nīca  On road: 00:33, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
07:10	07:42	Liepāja-Šuķene  On road: 00:32, platform: 4, capacity: 35		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
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07:40	08:17	Liepāja-Nīca-Otanķi  On road: 00:37, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
10:20	10:57	Liepāja-Nīca-Otanķi  On road: 00:37, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
11:20	11:52	Liepāja-Nīca  On road: 00:32, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
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18:30	19:02	Liepāja-Nīca-Otanķi  On road: 00:32, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
20:10	20:42	Liepāja-Nīca-Otanķi  On road: 00:32, platform: 5, capacity: 55		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.
20:40	21:12	Liepāja-Rucava  On road: 00:32, platform: 5, capacity: 45		€ 0.90	Ticket purchase is not available.

