

International training course

ESCAPE RADICALI ZATION 2.0

21st-29th March 2020
Rustavi (Georgia)

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

This training course has been designed to **raise awareness and youth workers'** understanding of the vulnerability and triggering factors leading to **radicalization of young people** and equip youth workers with engaging methodology to tackle the topic.

"Escape Radicalization 2.0" will gather **28 participants from Georgia, Norway, Estonia, Czechia, Spain, Belarus, Denmark and Ukraine from 21st to 29th of March 2020.**

Escape games involve a team of people working together in order to fulfill challenging mental, logical, at times physical tasks. Such games are engaging, thrilling and produce emotions, while also build empathy to the characters, develop critical thinking, increase team spirit and give space for **fruitful debriefing process** and follow-up knowledge transfer, which makes it productive while reaching out to **youth at risk.**

Based on the blend of the two topics we have designed this training course that aims to:

ENABLE YOUTH WORKERS TO STRENGTHEN PREVENTATIVE MEASURES AGAINST RADICALIZATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH THE USE OF EDUCATIONAL CONCEPTS BASED ON ESCAPE GAMES.

The project sets the following objectives:

- To foster mutual understanding of the process of **radicalization**, reasons and preventative measures;
- To explore **escape game methodology**, which is seen as an engaging and creative way of storytelling, as an educational approach in youth work;
- To equip participants with tools for developing **educational escape games**;
- To experiment with applying innovative methodology to the topic of radicalization and create at least **three educational escape games** and test them with the local community;
- To raise **awareness of young people** about the process of radicalization and its threats through inviting them to participate in educational escape rooms;
- To **empower youth workers/leaders** to use escape games while working with hard to reach youth;
- To create a **scenario booklet** on escape games on processes triggering radicalization in order to spread the word and support other stakeholders in the field to adopt the methodology.

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

Ideal participants are envisioned to be **full members of the partner organization or it's local partner institution** (youth center, school, social center), being certified **youth workers or passionate youth leaders** who work on a frequent basis with **at-risk youth** (young people from low-income families/ dysfunctional families, young migrants/minority representatives/refugees, school dropouts).

They should be **interested** in raising their level of competences in the **topic of radicalization**, being ready to **share** their **own experiences**, being **motivated to experiment** with innovative methodology and **ready to work hard for delivering a physical outcome**.

Participants should be **at least 18 years old**, have **good level of English**, and be willing and committed to work hard and actively **participate in ALL sessions** of the programme. Besides, participants should commit to keep to the **deadlines**, carry out the **preparatory tasks** asked for by the organizers, and be willing to **follow-up on the training course via active youth work, ideally in co-operation with their sending organisation**.

Number of participants per country: 3 (Norway: 2)

PROGRAM AND APPLICATION

The training course will be intense and will include **4 practical sessions of 90 minutes per day** with designated 60 minutes of reflection.

Close to the training course the team will send you a home task and a preparation package to get up to date with the non-formal methodology and main aspects of the program that you will take part in.

LINK TO THE APPLICATION FORM:
<https://forms.gle/UxcREkfbqCRzSsf9>



VENUE

During the project week we will be staying at **International Scouts Center Rustavi**, a nice complex specially designed for conducting different kind of training events. You will be accommodated in **dorm rooms together with 2-3 other people** of the **same sex** and **mixed nationalities**.

Conference room, working spaces, 3 times meals and 2 coffee breaks a day are also provided in the venue. **Towels and bed linen are provided**, so you don't need to bring them all the way from home! You can check the **website of the venue** in the following link: www.iscr.ge/ 



Rustavi (in Georgian: რუსთავი) is a post-industrial medium-size town in the South-East of Georgia, situated **25 km away from the capital Tbilisi**. If you want to know more about Rustavi city, you can check it out in this [Wikipedia link](#). 

The **temperature in March in Rustavi, as well as in whole Georgia, might be tricky**. Sometimes we get warm, almost-spring days, while other times cold winter winds and nasty rains show up. **So you should be ready for all these scenarios and check the weather forecast carefully before your travel**, so you get accordingly equipped and dressed. :)

General advice from the organizers is to **bring warm clothes, waterproof shoes, raincoat or at least umbrella**. You can follow **Rustavi weather** in the [following link](#). 

TRAVEL

Participants are expected to arrive in Tbilisi no later than 15:00 p.m. on 21st of March, and depart no earlier than 21:00 p.m. on 28th of March. Participants are kindly requested to choose the cheapest and most ecological means of transportation due to practical and ethical reasons that goes in line with the philosophy of international youth work and Erasmus+ programme.



TBILISI (TBS)

The most convenient way of reaching the project is by travelling to Tbilisi Airport, situated around 30-40 min away from the city.



KUTAISI (KUT)

We recommend to check flights also to Kutaisi, in the West Georgia. Through WizzAir, you may find a very cheap flight there from your town.

PLEASE, MAKE SURE YOU CONSULT YOUR TRAVEL PLAN WITH YOUR SENDING COORDINATOR BEFORE BUYING TICKETS. You can travel 1-2 days before or after the project dates if you desire to see around, meet friends, etc.

Since most of the flights to Tbilisi & Kutaisi arrive during night time, the project budget will offer covering your accommodation for the night of 20th of March 2020 (not after the project though). If you will need this night to be booked for you, please contact the organizing team as soon as you book your flights.

FROM TBILISI AIRPORT TO THE CITY CENTER

If you arrive to Tbilisi airport you can take the **bus #37** from the airport to the city center at any time during the day or the night. The **bus works 24h and departs from the airport every 20-30 minutes**. (During the late night/early morning hours, once in an hour).

Tickets cost 0.5 GEL (15 Euro cents) and you can put the coins into a special machine to get it. Another option is taking a taxi, but we strongly recommend using a **taxi app (i.e. Bolt)** for it, not be overcharged by the taxi drivers at the airport. **Usual price from the airport to the city center is no more than 30-35 GEL. (10-12 EUR).**

In case you travel to Kutaisi airport, please contact the organizers for the instructions on how to get to Tbilisi.

TRAVEL TO THE VENUE

For your own comfort and simplified logistic arrangements, transportation from Tbilisi to the project venue (Rustavi) and back **will be arranged by the organizers, although, the trip cost on this route will be deducted from your travel cost.**

REIMBURSEMENT

During the project week, accommodation, food and all the other project-related expenses will be covered by the Erasmus+ programme.

When arranging tickets, bear in mind that there is a fixed maximum amount reimbursable for your individual trip costs. The sum covers the travel costs of return trip from and to the partner organization's region using the most direct and cost efficient way of travel. **Travel costs exceeding the maximum reimbursable amount will not be covered.**

If there are any changes in the route or special travel requests, you are asked to confirm these with the project coordinator before purchasing the tickets. Failure to do so may result in some tickets being not reimbursable. Travel budgets according to the partner countries:

820EUR SPAIN

530EUR NORWAY

360EUR ESTONIA, CZECHIA, DENMARK

275EUR BELARUS, UKRAINE

Reimbursements will be made by bank transfer to the organization or appointed responsible participants within 14 days after the training course.

NOTE: PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING ALL ORIGINAL INVOICES/TICKETS/BOARDING PASSES WITH YOU. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REIMBURSE YOU WITHOUT THEM!



REMEMBER!

- Arrange your travel in advance based on economy class tickets and the cheapest route.
- Taxi rides can only be reimbursed on the routes where public transport doesn't operate.
- If you have any doubt about your travelling plans, please contact the coordinator before booking tickets.

PRACTICALITIES



INSURANCE

It is mandatory to have a **valid travel and medical insurance** during your travel. The host organization will not cover any personal health costs. Remember! The European Health Insurance Card is **NOT valid in Georgia!** If you need help with this, please contact your sending organization.



PARTICIPATION FEE

There is a participation fee in the training course. For participants from the program countries (**Czechia, Estonia, Denmark, Spain**) it will be **30 EUR**, for participants from partner countries (**Georgia, Ukraine, Belarus**), **20 EUR**. The money will be spent on the benefit of the activity to provide extra materials, activities and more fun times.



VISA

Normally, residents of the participating countries don't require a visa for Georgia, **however, please check your passport's conditions and check with your sending coordinator if you have doubts**. Also, make sure you take your **international passport** with you while travelling!



PARTICIPATION

Failure to participate in a **minimum of 80% of the content sessions or inappropriate behavior** might resolve in reimbursement not being given to the participants with a notice provided to the sending organization or exemption of the participant from the course.



WHAT TO TAKE WITH YOU

We encourage you to bring **snacks and beverages** for the intercultural evening, **warmer clothes** for the outside and fulfilled **home tasks** (will be sent to the selected participants by the trainers) to the training course.

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