

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS EUROPEAN SEMINAR IN THE CASTLE OF “LE CRÉNEAU”



FOOD : A POWERFUL MEAN FOR SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

COME AND MEET OTHER WORKERS FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES
TO DEBATE AND SHARE GOOD PRACTICES

Registration form : <https://tinyurl.com/2vww8j4t>



5-7 NOVEMBER 2024
MONTCOMBROUX-LES-MINES
03130, ALLIER
FRANCE



Le Créneau - Solidarités Jeunes

CONTEXT

The goal of our association is to **put together people** from **different social and cultural backgrounds** to create **diversity** in order to learn to **live** together, to get to **know** each other, and to exchange about our own experiences with **respect** and **tolerance** towards a better society.

We seek to develop **food** as **political** issue and a mean to **achieve our goals** : eating food keeping with **our values** AND our **economical situation**, using food as tool to **raise awareness** about gender and ecological issues, cooking together with people from different backgrounds, adapting food **to respect everyone...**

THE AIM OF THIS SEMINAR

The aim of this 3-days seminar is to provide an opportunity for partner associations to **meet** and **exchange practices**, and to learn more about our **respective opportunities** and **initiatives** about food.



Gender, ecology, diversity : food is at the crossroad of many issues of our society. We believe that it can be a strong lever for social transformation.

The seminar will be an opportunity to initiate **joint projects** and **share our knowledges and good practices** about food as a **political** issue in our European projects.

Last but not least, this meeting is an opportunity to **discover the castle of Le Créneau**, an inspiring social and international hosting centre located in Auvergne, the French **volcano region**.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The main objectives and activities of the seminar are the following ones :

Enable associations working with international groups **to meet and get to know each other better** : presentation of each association, its pedagogical approach and its educational values.

Share one's approach on food in international projects, based on successful experiences and difficulties encountered : how to make food a political issue in our projects ? how to manage with food according to the values of our organization and its capabilities ? how to make food as a mean for social transformation ? are there any specific themes worth exploring? what are the points to watch out for ?

Discover new pedagogical approaches through exchanges between participants : associations that have developed specific skills in a particular field will be invited to present them.

Stimulate the development of new collaborations and projects between partners : based on the exchanges that have taken place, identify the specific needs of associations (training, study visits) in the medium term.



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PARTICIPANTS

We would like to gather a group of 15 to 20 participants, composed of social workers and youth leaders from 8 to 10 different countries.

Link towards eligible countries : <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/part-a/eligible-countries>

- **Educators, socio-cultural workers and project coordinators**
- **Project managers** wishing to **meet partners** using food as tool for social transformation and European projects
- Those wishing to **develop their knowledge and practice** of how go towards society transformation through food

Participants should be aged 18 or more, there is no age limit.

English will be the main language of this seminar but we can organise translation if needed.

Please note that other groups may live in Le Créneau at the same time: volunteers, teenagers, permanents, workers...



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INFORMATION

Le **Créneau** is one of the regional delegations of Solidarités Jeunesses. It is located in a **castle** in Montcombroux-les-Mines, in a rural area. It has been acting for 25 years for **social**, **educative** and **cultural** local development.

ACCOMODATION

The participants will be accommodate in the castle or in yurts, in bedrooms of 3 to 4 people and will have at their disposal all the facilities of the hosting centre (dining room, showers and toilets).

DAILY LIFE

Seminar participants will share meals and evenings with the facilitators, employees and residents of Le Créneau. As far as possible, everyone is invited to take part in some of the daily tasks (meals, washing up), which is a way of getting to know the different people on the site.

THE TEAM

The seminar will be led by a professional facilitator : Laëtitia Barbry.

METHODS

The main aim of this seminar is to get to know each other better and to learn more about what our respective organisations are doing. Therefore, the methods used during the seminar are those of non-formal education and leave room for informal time. With this in mind, some workshops may be based on a practical activity (such as preparing a meal) to facilitate exchanges between participants.



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INFORMATION

Location of the seminar

Le Créneau
Château des Prureaux
03130 Montcombroux les
Mines, France

Dates

5-7 November
arrival on Nov. 4th
departure on Nov. 8th
(including up to 6 days of
eco-friendly traveling)

Participants

16 European participants

Participation cost

Accommodation and meals
will be provided by the
organization.
Travel costs will be
partially covered
according to the Erasmus+
calculator.

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PLACE AND TIMING

The seminar will last 3 full days starting from
November 5th to 7th.

The participants should arrive on November 4th in
the evening and leave on the 7th in the evening or
the 8th morning.

A meeting point will be organised at Moulins train
station on Monday 4th Nov. around 6.30pm.
For departure, shuttles will be organised around
6.30pm on Thursday 7th Nov. and 9.30am on Friday
8th Nov. to Moulins.

TRANSPORTS / REIMBURSEMENT

The closest train station is Moulins-sur-Allier. There
are trains from Lyon and Paris.

If needed we can organise a shuttle to Le Creusot
gare TGV, please contact us in advance.
You can check train time tables on
<https://www.thetrainline.com/en/train-times>

If you come by car, please take a detailed map !
You can arrive straight to Montcombroux-les-Mines.
Check out the advice roads on : www.mappy.fr

Reimbursement scale

100 - 499 km - 285€/participant
500 - 1999 km - 417€/participant

Visa fees

For participants from Serbia, Romania and Belarus :
200€/participant for visa fees



Keep all original tickets, boarding
passes, invoices : we won't be able
to pay you back without them.