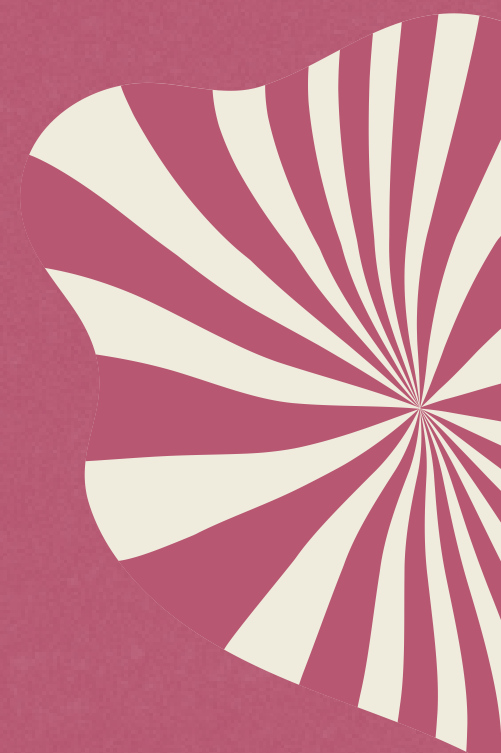
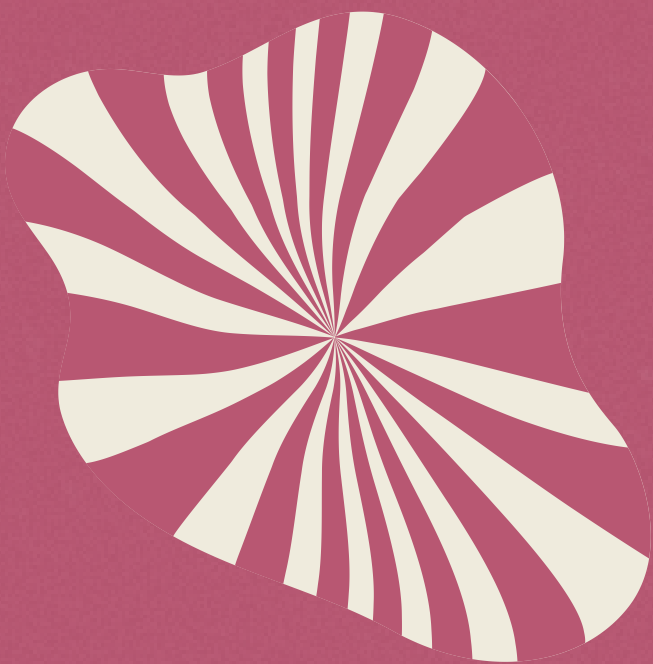




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#CULTURALSTORYTELLERS

Cultural Storytelling Canvas: Crafting Narratives for
Inclusion, Democracy, and the Environment!

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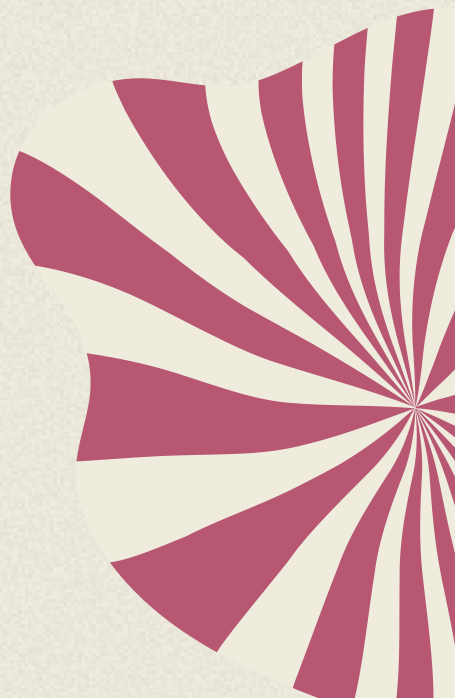
SCHAIJK, THE NETHERLANDS



This youth exchange will provide you with the opportunity to explore various aspects of your culture, such as myths, legends, music, food, and customs, in an **interactive and collaborative environment**. By reflecting on your cultural identity and learning about others, we will gain a broader perspective on European diversity and the shared values that unite us.

In addition to cultural storytelling, the project will address **pressing global issues** such as climate change and the digital transformation. We will engage in discussions about how to combat climate change and adopt sustainable lifestyles, while also learning how to use digital tools effectively to **communicate our ideas and stories**.

INTRODUCTION



OBJECTIVES

The **#CulturalStorytellers** project aims to:

1

Promote intercultural understanding and active citizenship

Engage young people in sharing cultural narratives to challenge stereotypes, xenophobia, and nationalism, while encouraging them to take an active role in addressing societal issues like democracy and climate change.

2

Develop communication skills and combat social isolation

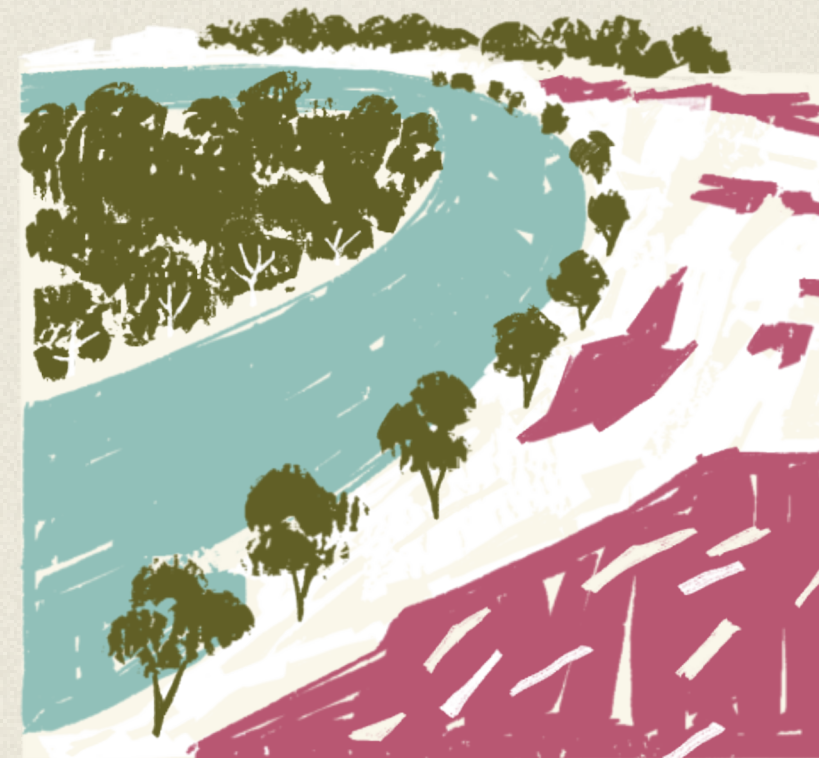
Foster personal interactions that help participants overcome social isolation exacerbated by digitalization, encouraging meaningful exchanges and collaboration.

3

Promote environmental awareness and digital literacy

Encourage discussions on climate change and sustainable practices while upskilling participants' digital competencies through the use of digital tools for storytelling and communication.

WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?



The Youth Exchange is open to all young people. Volunteers or active members in their local communities, who want to better understand digitally based social challenges and successful ways to deal with them can also participate.

Participants should be:

Fluent in English

7 participants from 18-30 y.o.

1 youth leader 18+ with no upper age limit

Priority will be given to vulnerable social groups of people; participants with fewer opportunities.

HOSTING ORGANISATION

Stichting yEUth is seated in the beautiful city of Leiden, a city full of young people and students which is actually the target group of our work: Youth Empowerment.

yEUth has a five-year of experience working mainly with Erasmus projects. As a coordinating organization, yEUth has implemented successfully 3 KA1 projects and 1 KA2 small-scale project. yEUth works mainly with young people between the ages of 18-30, from different cultural backgrounds and vulnerable groups prioritizing activities addressed to minorities and participants from disadvantaged social environments in the Netherlands with the main aim to create a direct impact in the Dutch and European society..

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PROJECT VENUE



DE HEIDEBLOEM, SCHAIJK

De Heidebloem is a charming area located in Schaijk, a village in the North Brabant province of the Netherlands. Known for its picturesque landscapes, it offers a serene escape with lush greenery and beautiful heathlands. It's a great spot for nature lovers, with plenty of opportunities for hiking and cycling. The region is also known for its friendly local community and traditional Dutch charm.

You will sleep in rooms of a maximum of 8 people, in bunk beds separated by gender.



HOW TO GET THERE

GENERAL INFORMATION

Our venue is in the countryside in the south of The Netherlands, which means that the way to get there involves a few steps. Train tickets are most easily bought from the app NS. Here you can also plan your journey, or you can simply use Google Maps. In the busses, you can check-in with your bank card. Regarding the 26 minute walk, there is the possibility to be picked up by car at the bus station if you arrive with a group, and of course we can come and pick up your luggage as well. All of this will be organised on the arrival day.

FROM AMSTERDAM CENTRAAL

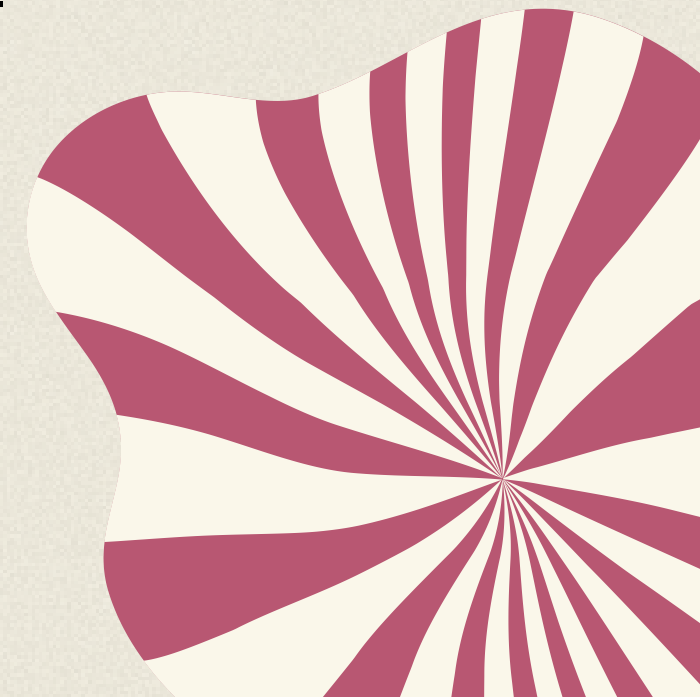
Take the train towards Amsterdam Bijlmer Arena, change here for the train to Nijmegen. From there, take the bus 99 towards Uden, and get out at Zeeland, Voederheil. From there, it is a 26 min walk to the venue.

FROM AMS SCHIPHOL AIRPORT

Take the train from Schiphol Airport (the train station is right under the arrival hall, there are signs you can follow) towards Nijmegen. From there, take the bus 99 towards Uden, and get out at Zeeland, Voederheil. From there, it is a 26 min walk to the venue.

FROM EINDHOVEN AIRPORT

Take the bus from the Airport to Eindhoven Centraal. Change there to bus 305 to Oss, get out at Uden. From there, take the bus 99 towards Nijmegen CS, and get out at Zeeland, Voederheil. From there, it is a 26 min walk to the venue.



REIMBURSEMENTS

The project covers 100% of:

- **Accommodation** costs
- **Subsistence** costs (5 meals per day)
- **Travel** costs (up to a certain limit, according to the foreseen standards of the project proposal)

You may want to travel **1-2 days earlier or later** than the Youth Exchange dates:

In this case, your tickets are eligible for reimbursement but you will have to cover your accommodation and personal expenses yourself for the extra days!

Travel distances	Standard travel (EUROS)	Green travel (EUROS)
Netherlands	-	56
Slovakia	309	417
Spain	309	-
Greece and Turkey	395	-

REIMBURSEMENT REQUIREMENTS



To get your reimbursement we compulsory require:

- E-Ticket/receipt/invoice of your booking of the flights and generally every means of transport that you will use from your home until reaching the venue and for your return.
- Boarding passes/travel tickets in original format, used to travel to/from the venue. In case your airline does not offer the possibility of online check in, and you have your boarding passes printed at the airport, we need the original boarding passes (no photos or scans).
- Please, bear in mind that we cannot reimburse your travel costs unless we receive the mentioned documentation. To have your expenses fully reimbursed, please book 'two-way' tickets (incl. bus/train etc.).
- Dates must be corresponding to the project dates of arrival and departure.

HEALTH INSURANCE



All participants have the responsibility to obtain the EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) which is for free. Please keep in mind, even if you have an EU Insurance card, this would not cover any travel incident. It is your own responsibility to arrange your own travel and health insurance.



YOUTHPASS

At the end of the mobility you will get the Youthpass Certificate. It will confirm your participation in the project and will reflect which skills you acquired during the project.

More about Youthpass you can read on the official website [HERE](#)

Every participant should participate in every phase of the project (before, during & after), and in the whole duration of the YE, and be motivated to explore the topic and disseminate the results of the project to other youngsters!! Selected participants are in charge of dissemination and visibility activities online and offline.



FURTHER INFORMATION



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