



Who we are...

Hacettepe University (HU) is one of the oldest and leading universities in Ankara, capital city of Turkey. HU began to operate as a hospital in Ankara in 1957. Education, research and public service activities started in 1958. HU expanded further in the course of time with the foundation of new departments and faculties on two campuses. HU continues its activities with 14 Faculties, 14 Institutes, 2 Applied Schools, 5 Vocational Schools, 1 Conservatory, 54 Research and Practice Centers. HU has more than 38.000 students and 3.500 faculty members.

According strategic plan document, HU's mission and vision statements are as follows:

HU has a mission to train highly qualified individuals for the future of the country, and to supply its research, education and service outcomes for benefit of mankind through its scientific and aesthetic accumulation of knowledge under the light of universal values.

HU has a vision to be a leading university with its education and research services, and art creation, of which all members are proud of being a member at the national and international level, contributing to the country's efforts toward being a contemporarily outstanding one.

HU has given priority to undergraduate and graduate education programs. HU, being loyal to its quality management philosophy, considers all teaching and research areas equally important. However, because of the composition of the university, emphasis has been given to certain research areas such as nanotechnologies, biotechnology, clean and renewable energy.

HU manages its activities regarding its teaching, research, and services to society according to its mission and goals as much as possible. HU also receives the benefit of certain opportunities in this respect.

Hacettepe University is responsible for the administration of the European Union Education and Youth Programmes at Hacettepe University and carries out the work in close collaboration with all academic and administrative units (www.abofisi.hacettepe.edu.tr)

Within the framework of The Youth Programme, project creation training courses are being given and young participants are encouraged to create and join the projects.

Our organization helps the youth to find a place in the society. We are recognized as a non formal education organization . So we help the youth to take initiatives, to experiment actions that increase their sense of responsibility, of citizenship and active participation in building up the society. We offer them a space of possibilities, through what they can develop their





autonomy, their identity and involvement in it. We believe in the potential of each of them, regardless their backgrounds. Any project is an ideal opportunity to open their mind, get to know and understand the meaning of cultural diversity and interculturality by being involved in different kinds of activities. The daily tasks in Hacettepe University is shared between an employee in the position of EVS coordinator and some active volunteers.

We work both on international and local projects. On one hand as a European Voluntary Service sending, hosting and coordinating organization, and on the other hand by supporting local projects held by young people.

THEME's of the EVS Project

The theme of the Project is to teach youngsters, who will be the tomorrow of Europe, the consciousness of being a European and the cultural diversity and richness through informal ways. We have built this Project, which is prepared to improve the social integration of youngsters into the European Union; to encourage them to take part in such projects and; to support youngsters and adults so that they can be more productive and creative in a cultural diversity, with the aim of having volunteers gain work experience in an international office by providing Italian lessons for the office experts as well as an opportunity for volunteers to work in a EU Office in order for the experts working in European Union Office to improve themselves and have an added value for their careers. It has been aimed at contributing to the development of our office experts and improving the productivity, intercultural learning and social communication of the youngsters taking part in this Project.

Moreover, the Project will collaborate with the organisations working in youth areas therefore, it will contribute to the development of collaboration in European dimension.

The fact that young volunteers have experience in working area with our office experts is a factor that will contribute to the fact that they will find jobs in this area in later stages of their lives. Furthermore, the fact that they will learn Turkish language and culture will be an added value in their future.

Volunteers who take part in the Project will give lessons to the experts in our Office in order to teach them Italian, and organize events in order to promote their cultures and songs. Therefore, the objectives of promoting European consciousness will have been achieved through enhancing our office experts' awareness of other cultures. Volunteers who take part in the Project will play an active role in the activities that are going to be held by our Office, and by this means, cultural interaction that we have aimed in this project will be achieved.



The Objectives and Priorities of our Project:

- To improve the levels of basic skills and competences of youngsters, including the ones who are financially limited; and to encourage the participation to the democratic life and labour market and the active citizenship, intercultural dialogue, social inclusion and solidarity in Europe by providing more opportunities for the learning mobility of youngsters, the ones who are active in youth study or youth organisations and youth leaders, and strengthening the connection between youth area and labour market;
- To encourage the improvement of the youth studies' quality through the increasing collaboration between the foundations/organisations in youth area and/or other partners;
- To complete the policy reforms in local, regional and national levels; and to encourage the development of youth policy based on information and evidence and the recognition of common and formal learning by disseminating good practices through a more powerful collaboration in policy area, better use of the transparency of the Union and recognition tools;
- To strengthen the roles of youth employees and foundations/organisations as support structures aimed at youngsters so as to complete the international dimension of youth activities and external action of the Union by encouraging the mobility and collaboration between the Programme and Partner Countries and international foundations/organisations, and the capacity development aimed by the Partner Countries.
- To encourage the projects fighting for the social inclusion and welfare of the youngsters, especially the ones fighting against the unemployment issue of youngsters (as well as the ones aimed at improving the participation of unemployed youngsters to the program);
- To increase awareness regarding EU citizenship and rights accompanying this, or encourage the active participation of youngsters in making EU policies. This project, which will also contribute to the reinforcement of the consciousness of European Citizenship, not only provides opportunities for the youngsters from different countries to interchange their own experiences with one another in this area, but also is quite important in terms of taking a stand against violence, racism, ethnic and sexual discrimination and making humanitarian values sovereign in the mind of the society and developing and extending the European Consciousness due to the unifying characteristics of friendship.

Basic Informations

Project Title: Let's Learn Culture from Volunteers

Duration: 11.04.2016 – 09.10.2016 (6 months)

Location: Ankara, capital city of Turkey

Coordinating and Hosting Organization: Hacettepe University - 999900930 **Sending**

Organization: CEIPES - Centro Internazionale per la Promozione dell Educazione e lo Sviluppo
- 948035127

Participants: 2

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Eligible country: Italy

Financial conditions: Food, accommodation(at University Campus - in Dormitory), language course, local transport and pocket money will be covered by the Host Organization. %100 of travels costs will also be reimbursed by bank transfer according to the maximum budget approved by European Commission for Italy.(Distance Calculator says 275 Euro maximum)

Target group: Between 17-30 years

Working language: English. Knowledge of the Turkish language is welcome and advantage of evaluation.

General Task of Volunteers

- take part in all the activities supporting the work of the professional team and the local volunteers
- Propose their own ideas and initiatives
- between 17-30 years
- genuine interest in social and educational issues
- motivated, flexible and reliable

- ability to work in multi-lingual/multi-cultural environment
- genuine interest in being useful to others rather than the will of “adventure”
- should be responsible, creative, curious, open-minded
- should have good communicative skills
- creating empathy with children and young people
- able to support and stimulate different types of leisure activity, from indoor to outdoor activities
- competences in artistic expression
- experience on sports or music field is very welcomed
- true will to overcome the language barrier and learn Turkish
- teaching and learning foreign languages
- helping to EU Office Staff
- helping to EU Projects Studies

SELECTION PROCEDURE

- You have to send us your **Curriculum Vitae** (Europass CV) and a **personalized Motivation Letter in English** (motivation letters which are not related to this project will not be taken into consideration), the documents must be sent in **pdf format** and must be title:

Name – CV.pdf
Name - Motivation Letter.pdf

*All the information must be sent to **abofisigenclik@hacettepe.edu.tr** or **hacettepeabofisi@hotmail.com** until **1th of March 2016***

no exceptions!!



CALENDAR OF ACTIONS

Application deadline: 1st March 2016

Description of results: 15th March 2016 **Arrival of**

volunteers: 11th April 2016 **Departure of**

volunteers: 09th October 2016

ARE YOU GOING TO MOVE OR STAY BEHIND?

