

Invitation

The *European Youth and Sport Forum* - *EYSF* - would like to invite young Europeans to discuss their viewpoints and to be heard in the debate on key topics in European sport.

- What is the value of volunteering for individuals and for society? What makes sport volunteering special?
- How can volunteering be furthered and encouraged in the future
 - »Recognition of volunteering
 - »Legal framework for volunteering
 - »Promoting a culture of volunteering
- Which competences and education programmes are needed for volunteering?

- How can sport and physical activity contribute to a healthier lifestyle?
- How can we integrate more physical activity and sport in our daily routines?
- How should different sectors improve the promotion of health and physical activity? »Transportation
- »Sport organisations
- »Urban planning and architecture
- »Education

METHODOLOGY

The working methods in the execution of the EYSF will be based on the principles of nonformal education. Every activity will be interactive and learner centred, allowing participation and contribution from participants.

At the same time, the EYSF will be an informationpacked event, including input sessions featuring experts and resource persons who will inspire the debates and provide for a shared knowledge starting point.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EYSF 2012

- Opening speech from the Cyprus Government representative.
- Presentations, discussions and debates.
- Developing political recommendation to EU policy makers.
- Meeting with the European Union Sports Directors.
- Being part of the "Best Practice Fair".
- Networking.

THE OBJECTIVES OF EYSF

- To discuss how the youth and sport sectors could support volunteering and health via active citizenship.
- To provide a large scale platform on which projects and good practices can be presented, networking can be stimulated and new projects for the future can be set-up.
- To formulate Forum Declaration with political and practical recommendations for stakeholders, both on EU and national level.
- To put the aims and objectives of the European Youth and Sport Forum EYSF into action, participants will be introduced to the MOVE Week as a platform for promoting physical activity and encouraged to organize their own event for MOVE Week 2013. Find more information on the Now We Move website, click here>>>.

LANGUAGE:

The working language for this project will be English. Applicants are expected to have good knowledge of English.

ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES ARE

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Spain, Finland, France, United Kingdom, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Latvia, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Sweden, Slovenia, Slovakia, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey.

<u>All participants are asked to carefully fill in the online</u> <u>application form.</u>

COST OF PARTICIPATION

Participants will receive support for their travel of 70% of total cost, up to the total amount of EUR 200. Meals and accommodation will be covered be the organizers. A participation fee of EUR 50 will be charged, as a contribution to the general costs of the Forum. We encourage participants to ask their own organizations for financial support.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for a place on the EYSF2012, please complete the online application form before the **15th of October 2012**. Only complete applications from eligible countries will be considered. Successful applicants will be notified by the 20th of October 2012.

TO COMPLETE THE ONLINE APPLICATION FORM CLICK HERE>>>.