

Participation fee (whole seminar series)

- 30 EUR for participants from Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia and Romania
- 50 EUR for participants from EU-10 (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Hungary and Cyprus)
- 70 EUR for participants from EU-15 (Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Finland, France, Greece, Great Britain, Italy, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Sweden and Spain)

The fee implies the participation in the whole seminar series and has to be paid after receiving the confirmation of participation. If you participate in the first module and miss the second for whatever reason there is no reimbursement of any part of the fee possible.

Travel expenses (for each seminar)

Reimbursement of the participants' travel expenses is possible only upon presentation of original receipts and tickets.

Cost will be covered up to following maximum amounts:

* 110 EUR: EU to 2004/EU 15

* 150 EUR: EU since 2004/EU 10

* 200 EUR: Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia and Romania

Participants should be aware of choosing the most economical travel possibilities.

Room and board

Board and lodging during both seminars are provided by the organizers. Participants are accommodated in rooms with two or three beds. Single rooms are available with an additional cost of 8 EUR/night paid by the participant. Before and after the seminar days, participants must take care of accommodations individually.

Cancellation regulations

After February 26th, 2012, the cancellation of participation will result in a charge of 50% of the actual costs. In case of a short-term cancellation after March 10th, 2012, participants will have to pay 100% of the actual costs of 380 EUR.

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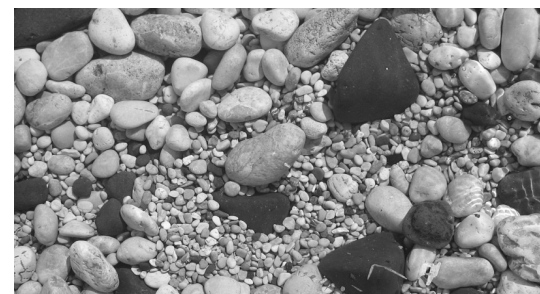
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A Seminar Series to strengthen
civil participation in Europe

Play Your Part – Active Participation in Civil Society

25.-31.03.2012
Introductory seminar, Weimar

17.-21.09.2012
Reflecting seminar, Brussels

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Active participation in civil society

Play Your Part – Active Participation in Civil Society

How can citizens and actors of civil society improve the impact of their engagement on local, regional and international level?

The seminar series offers the opportunity to

- have an intensive exchange and to network with people active in civil society,
- learn more about the implementation of ideas and activities in a regional and an international context,
- share experiences in different thematic fields such as youth empowerment, active citizenship and diversity and tolerance
- find future partners,
- develop activities and ideas for strengthening civic participation,
- identify further potential for personal and institutional involvement,
- learn more about EU-funding programmes.

You are invited to participate, if you

- are already involved in projects or organizations in the civil society or support these on the municipality level,
- have experience in the field of youth empowerment, active citizenship and diversity work,
- can use English as working language,
- are above the age of 18,
- are from an EU country or from Albania, Croatia or Macedonia.

Seminar series concept

I. Introductory seminar (25.-31.03.2012 in Weimar): Sharing experience in different thematic fields, identifying potentials and developing activity plans.

II. Field work (between both seminars): Implementing your activity plans independently on a local or international level, involving other actors (from your or partner organisations). The seminar organizers can't provide financial support for the implementation of your activity plans but offer consulting, if needed.

III. Reflecting seminar (17.-21.09.2012 in Brussels): Reflecting on the outcome of the ideas implemented, identifying potentials for further improvement of your personal and NGO work. Your team members can participate in this seminar on application.

Working Groups in the introductory seminar

During the introductory seminar we work in three parallel thematic groups as well in the whole group. For the introductory seminar please choose one of the following thematic working groups:

Group A "Youth Empowerment"

This group allows you to exchange experience in how to reach, motivate and support young people to get involved in civil society. Furthermore there will be the opportunity to identify ways to strengthen the long term involvement of youth and to empower them to take the initiative.

Group B "Active citizenship and democracy education"

This group allows you to discuss different possibilities and forms of participation. You can also evaluate the influence of the local, regional and international frameworks on your work. Furthermore, there will be an opportunity to identify tendencies, potentials and needs for actions in the field of active citizenship.

Group C "Diversity and tolerance"

This group allows you to exchange experience in the field of diversity work. While discussing different approaches and understanding of the diversity work, we intend to analyse their level of implementation in different work contexts and to identify which actions in the field of diversity and tolerance need to be taken.

Online application until 10th January 2012

Use the following link to apply for the seminar http://mitost.org/active_participation.html
The application can only be made for the whole seminar series, which means for both modules.

Please answer the following questions according to the group you prefer. You find them also in the online application form.

Group A: What concrete experience or example from your work do you want to share with us? In your opinion, what actions need to be taken in the next years to support the long term involvement of youth in civil society?

Group B: What do you focus on in your work in the field of active citizenship? What is your personal vision for involvement on local and international level?

Group C: What concrete experience or example from your work do you want to share with us? What priorities would you suggest for your work in the field of diversity and tolerance for the coming years?

Confirmation of your participation

Concerning your participation, you will be informed no later than February 3rd, 2012.

Arrival and departure

The first seminar in Weimar begins on the 25th March 2012 at 2pm and ends on the 31th March 2012 with the lunch. Please note this for your travel planning.

