## **Nature's Calling**

Develop your practical knowledge, skills and positive behaviours/attitudes on how to be an environmentally friendly citizen!



Sao Miguel-Ponta Delgada Between 12 and 21 of November 2022

# About the project

We look forward to meeting you on the youth exchange "Nature's Calling".

The main purpose is to create an international non-formal context 12 and 21 of November 2022 in Sao Miguel-Ponta Delgada in which young people from Romania, Lithuania, Greece and Portugal, share opinions, thoughts, and experiences, get to know each other, and collaborate to develop practical knowledge, skills and positive behaviours/attitudes on how to be an environmentally friendly citizen.

## **Mission**

We found out that young people are aware of the ecological footprint made by the different factors nowadays but do not know what are the attitudes and actions which define an ecofriendly citizen. Our mission is to develop their skills and to promote positive behaviours.





### Importance

The youth cannot keep pace with the latest information when it comes to waste management, and not learning this in school it makes the problem even worst. This is a very important issue, because together we can work in order to live in a better place.

## Objectives

- Develop practical knowledge, skills and positive behaviours/attitudes on how to be an environmentally friendly citizen among young people coming from Portugal, Romania, Greece and Lithuania.
- Meet new people from other countries and create new friendships while improving your english.

## Activites

- To protect the environment, we must first understand it. Expect a mix on non-formal learning methods designed to boost your know-how about what surrounds us and what we can do as citizens to preserve it.
- Besides new knowledge and the chance to improve your English level, expect a new way of looking at the nature, new friendships and of course the stunning views of the island.

#### Accomodation

 Accommodation will be arranged at Azores Youth Hostel in rooms of 4 people. Breakfast will be served at the location every morning. For lunch and dinner everyone will get a food allowance of *10 EUR/day* which can be spent in any place without a cost justification, meaning you don't need to bring us the receipts.





- A standard breakfast buffet is included, and guests can head to restaurants located within 1 km to taste local delicacies.
- Shops can be found a few steps away, in Parque Atlântico shopping centre, located 400 m away.
- Furnas de São Miguel, a hot spring area, is 45 km away from this hostel. Fogo Lagoon is 24 km and Sete Cidades Lagoon is a 30-minute drive from Pousada de Juventude de Ponta Delgada.





## Participants -requirements-

1. Be aged between 18 and 26 years old.

2. Be a resident in one of the countries listed above.

3. Have an interest into the topic of the project.

4. Be present for the whole duration of the program and commit to be involved.

5.Available to participate in non-formal and informal education dynamics.

## Transport

- No participant can arrive later than the arrival day or depart earlier than the day of departure. We actively support you during the process of buying the tickets. You can arrive in Azores up to 3 days before and leave 3 days after the project
- Before buying or booking any travel ticket please consult with us and obtain our written approval so you make sure you will be reimbursed. For efficiency, everyone from the same country will have to book the same flights and travel together from their airport of departure to Ponta Delgada.
- Travel expenses will be reimbursed up to 530 EUR for participants coming from Romania, Lithuania and Greece and up to 275 for participants coming from Portugal.
- In one of the days we will have activities out on the island. We will provide transport for this purpose. However, if you wish to explore the island in the free time we recommend you the public transport or to rent a car.

## Transport

- Note: reimbursement will be done in EURO, regardless of the currency indicated on your ticket and receipt/invoice.
- The complete policy of travel reimbursement is detailed in "terms and conditions" in the application form.
- Once you land, we suggest you to take the public transport Ponta Delgada –Escola which is the nearest station, 5 minutes away from the accommodation. Feel free to use google maps for indications. Last bus departs at 23:50 from the Airport. Please keep the ticket for reimbursement.
- Arrival in Ponta Delgada: 12 November.
- Departure from Ponta Delgada: 21 November.

## Procedures

1. You will show us what tickets you want to buy.

2. Our team members will approve the tickets or help you find better options.

3. You will buy your travel tickets.

4. All the tickets bought online will be sent to us by e-mail in PDF format. All the tickets must be bought before the project starts.

5. You will be reimbursed for your travel once the project has ended after signing a reimbursement agreement.

6. The travel budget does not cover the transport from your residence city to the Airport of departure from your country.



The group will consist of 26 participants, 8 group leaders and 2 facilitators



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#### Application form: Click <u>HERE</u> or scan the code bellow





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