

“Stand up AGAINST
extremism II.”

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Oščadnica, Slovakia

EXTREMISM



SYTEV



SYTEV is an independent, non-governmental organization focused on recovery of society through charity and learning – education activity by introducing Christian and moral values.

The aim of the organization is support and development of activities on the local, national and international level in the area of non-formal education, using free time, cultural-social and volunteering practice for public, making communities and networks of youth and also focusing on needs and requirements of people and their engagement to public life.

SYTEV develops youth politics and raises the interest about youth contribution on the local and national level. This is accomplished by the creation of youth parliament in our city, which directly works with the city council.



SYTEV helps youth to express their opinion, support them in creating and organizing of local activities. Furthermore SYTEV based youth center which is a place for co-working for youth, safe place and area of non-formal activities.

SYTEV develops democratic dialogue, education and entrepreneurship in Slovakia and abroad. To achieve these aims it has an ongoing collaboration with the leading universities, NGOs and research organizations in Slovakia for the development of projects, trainings and educational material.

SYTEV retains a valuable network of professional trainers and educational experts experienced in informal and non-formal education.

About the project...

"Stand up AGAINST extremism" first main goal is to prevent violent extremism and radicalization through certain measures taken within the local communities. During this project we want to strengthen the role of youth organizations in preventing violent extremism, promote the role of intercultural dialogue between young people and gender mainstreaming in countering violent extremism and radicalization. It is made to work on speech free from hate and extremist views.



The project main objective is to bring updated tools to youth workers so they could better address youths during their work on topics of preventing violent extremism, hate speech and the sources of hatred. We seek to enhance initiatives that challenge extremist narratives, propaganda, cultural, social, religious, political, ideological differences that lead to extremist violence. By reaching out to youths with fewer opportunities, who are victims and actors, we aim to contribute to this objective in the most efficient way.

We aim to promote intercultural dialogue, media literacy, critical thinking and a sense of initiative among them through counter-narratives campaigns.

We aim to develop participants (youth workers skills) so by the end of the project they have developed and enhanced their knowledge, skills and attitudes in preventing extremist violence, are familiar with the conflict resolution and extremist violence prevention, have developed their capacities to apply and use intercultural dialogue in countering the roots of extremist violence in speech and thoughts. Participant shall be familiar with a gender perspective and gender mainstreaming concepts in countering violent extremism and radicalization.

We are also going to enhance work on preventing violent extremism within youth organisations and promote effective civic activism and campaigning against extremist narratives and hate speech.

Venue

You will be accommodated in Penzion Centrál, Oščadnica. Nice ski and mountain area on the north of Slovakia only 30 km from Czech republic and 20 km from Poland.

We invite you to stay 3-4 beds rooms, and if you are comfortable with that, we would like to propose you to stay with the persons from different countries, same gender. Keep on mind that the rooms are not very spacious and please, take it into consideration while packing.

Wifi is available in the venue. However, we can't guarantee its quality, and we recommended not to plan any online meetings or work to do during your stay.



Linen and towels are provided. There are no hair dryers in the rooms neither in the venue to use it. Please bring your own dryer or arrange with the other person from the group.

The workshops will take place in the same building as we will sleep. Conference room is big but sometimes cold. It is good to take sleepers or comfortable shoes. Some workshops and activities can be done outside.

The address of the venue:

Penzion Centrál

Oščadnica 893

Pictures available here (unfortunately web is only in Slovak)

<https://www.penzion-central.sk/>

Participants

According to European rules, we have to follow gender balance. Each of these countries (Poland, Moldova, Egypt, Ukraine, Palestine, Bulgaria, Serbia, Greece, Azerbaijan) has to send 3 participants older than 18 years old. These training course is intended to youth workers.



Traveling

The venue of the project is city Oščadnica and the nearest airport is 100 km west of Oščadnica in the Ostrava, very near is Brno, but we are recommending 200 km south of Oščadnica – Bratislava/Vienna. Of course is needed to go from this airport to Žilina, what is the closest big city near Oščadnica and go by train from Žilina to Oščadnica or we can organize minibus from Žilina to Oščadnica. It is 40 minutes.

Country	Travel grant € /person	Visa € /person
Azerbaijan	360	100
Ukraine	275	0
Greece	275	0
Serbia	275	0
Moldova	275	0
Egypt	360	100
Palestine	360	100
Bulgaria	275	0

Food

The venue offers Slovak, homey food (natural ingredients) and we encourage you to taste it, however in case it goes really against of what you are used to eat - communicate such situation to the organisers team. Usually it is possible for us to adjust the food to some extent. We will ask your preferences shortly before the seminar starts, via the online form (vegan, vegetarian, gluten free, food allergies, etc)

- ❖ Please note, if the meat is served in Slovakia in most cases it will be pork. In case you do not eat pork, please specify it in the form.

VISA

The costs of obtaining visas and also travels connected to the visa process will be reimbursed from the project. Please keep all the bills, documents and travel tickets in order to be reimbursed.



Currency

The currency in Slovakia is EURO.



Credit cards

Most major credit cards (Diners, American express Visa, Master Card/Eurocard) can be used for payments wherever noticed, as a rule in most major hotels, shops, and restaurants.



Exchange office

There is no exchange office nearby to the venue. Please keep this on mind while planning your trip.



Climate and weather

In April the average temperature can reach 5 °C / -5 °C, the weather in the mountains is very tricky.



Others

You should self-organise your accomodation in case of early arrivals or late departures.

Obtaining a full insurance (travel risks, medical, injuries) is the participant responsibility, please take your insurance card with you.

About any changes, you will be updated by organisers via e-mail or on our Facebook group which your coordinators will invite you.

Preparation of the training - Please check the document "Participants responsibilities"

Trips to Žilina, mountains, High Tatras, ... - we do not organize such trips, neither plan them during the course. In case you would like to visit above mentioned cities and be sure you will have enough time to sightsee, we do recommended you to plan your trip in a way to arrive 1 day earlier or stay 1 day after the project. If the time allows us, we may have few free hours around Oščadnica.



Evenings

We did not plan any further evenings program. The participants are free to decide, how to spend evenings and the proposal can be post on our Facebook group or discussed on the spot.

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Useful links

General information about Slovakia and the region

<https://slovakia.travel/en>

<https://www.slovakia.com/>

<http://www.slovak-republic.org/>

<https://www.zilinskazupa.sk/en/zilina-selfgoverning-region/regions/>

Public transportation in bigger cities in Slovakia application (mobile and web version, available in English)

<https://cp.hnonline.sk/vlakbusmhd/spojenie/>


