



# EUROPEAN CARAVAN ON AGENDA2030 - CAMPAIGNING AND ADVOCACY

### CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

This is a call for a 9 months project! Please read carefully and decide to apply responsibly.

#### The Future We Want project has been designed around the beliefs that:

- ✓ European citizens need to have active knowledge about the Sustainable Development Goals and development issues and play an active, responsible role in the world, considering the impact of their behaviours and lifestyles.
- ✓ European governments and decision-makers need to fulfil their commitments on Agenda 2030 and this will only happen if citizens act and keep them accountable.
- ✓ All citizens need competencies to understand, participate in and critically interact with our global society. Global Education is education that opens people's eyes to the realities of the world and awakens them to bring about a world of greater justice, equity and human rights for all.
- Young people in particular can—and must—make an important contribution as protagonists of the future we are building today. Over the years, youth have represented a unique source of innovative and concrete solutions to the problems of our communities. They are not only beneficiaries of public policies but also partners in their implementation and agents of positive change. When it comes to protecting our planet and increasing awareness on climate-related issues, young people have proved to be key advocates on the global stage.

The project's main aim is twofold: to increase the level of engagement of young Europeans with sustainability and development issues to create better ways of living and to provide a meaningful voice to European youth in setting the EU policy agenda on sustainable development through advocacy on Agenda 2030 at the local and European level.

The project activities in which selected participants have to be involved are as follows and they are obligatory for all the participants:

- Online Learning Module on Agenda2030 and advocacy. It will take place between 15<sup>th</sup> January to 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 and it will require an estimate of 2 hours/week of involvement in individual learning tasks.
- Residential Training Course for the Campaigners and project team to advance competencies in
  the key topics and street campaigning/advocacy and concretely plan the Online Campaign and the
  European Caravan activities. It will take place between 19<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> April in Busteni,
  Romania.
- Preparation work for the Online Campaign and European Caravan. It will include individual and group tasks as well as participation in online meetings. It will take place between 1<sup>st</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> August 2024 and it will require an estimate of 2 hours/week of involvement from each participant.
- **Transnational Caravan** that will stop in 17 European cities (*Bucharest, Craiova, Timisoara, Belgrade, Novi Sad, Naples, Florence, Bologna, Padua, Nova Gorica, Ljubljana, Augsburg, Strasbourg, Nancy, Aachen, Liege and Brussels) and will include street campaigning targeting young people and advocacy actions towards local and European decision-makers. It will take place*



**between 27**<sup>th</sup> **August to 16**<sup>th</sup> **September 2024**. Two separate groups will start from Bucharest and Naples, and meet in Ljubljana and then continue as a complete group to Brussels.

• Online Campaign. The sharing of information and the gathering of ideas (*for the Youth Manifesto*) which will take place offline during the Caravan will also take place in the online space, through a big Online Campaign developed by the Campaigners, together with the project team, using youth-friendly and innovative online tools. It will take place between 27<sup>th</sup> August to 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

## **Costs and Expenses Provided**

- **Accommodation** (*in shared rooms*) is provided for the duration of the residential training course (*in Romania*) and the Transnational Caravan, during the dates mentioned previously.
- Three meals per day are provided for the duration of the residential training course (in Romania) and the Transnational Caravan (during the dates mentioned previously). The meals provided will be predominantly vegetarian and vegan in line with the sustainability principles of the project and adjusted to local food cultures in which activities will take place.
- **Travel expenses** for reaching the International Training location and the beginning point of the Caravan (*as well as returning home*) will be covered for all participants. The travel has to be organized most economically and sustainably possible. Selected participants will be supported in this process by their sending organization. The travel during the Caravan will be pre-organized by the organizers. **Travel insurance** for travel in the Caravan will also be organized by the organizers.
- **Personal cost money for the duration of the caravan.** Each participant will receive 400 euros\* to cover personal expenses during the caravan. (\*additional conditions/requirements may be needed based on each country's accounting regulations)

# <u>Do you want to be one of the Campaigners to take part in this exciting Caravan?</u> This is what we are looking for:

- ✓ **High personal motivation/passion for the cause of the project**: Agenda 2030 (Sustainability, Climate Change, Responsible Consumption, etc.)
- ✓ Existing knowledge or interest in EU-level processes.
- ✓ **Significant interest in developing competencies in** methods such as Street/Online Campaigning as well as Advocacy.
- **✓** Good command of the English language.
- ✓ Availability to be adequately involved in all the project activities (mentioned above) for the whole duration of the project (*January-September 2024*);
- ✓ People older than 18 years;
- ✓ Residents of one of the following countries: Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Italy, Germany, France, Belgium, Portugal and Finland.

## Selected participants have the obligation to:

- **Sign a Volunteering Contract** stating the conditions of involvement in the project as well as the duties and responsibilities of all parties involved.
- Complete an assessment grid on their competencies (knowledge, skills, and attitudes) three times: before starting the learning modules, before and after the caravan.
- Follow the sustainability principles throughout the project activities.

#### Participants will receive a certification at the end of the project.

**Feel free to ask any additional questions to the contact person** if you are not sure if this project is suitable for your learning and professional needs before deciding to apply.