

# FAQ MEETUP!

## Youth for Partnership 2022-2023

### DIVERSITY OF COUNTRIES

#### How many countries are eligible for funding?

Binational and multinational projects involving young people from Germany, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine are eligible for funding. A maximum of 4 countries may participate in a project. One partner must be based in Germany.

#### Which countries are eligible for funding?

Binational and multinational projects with participants from Germany, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine are eligible for funding.

#### How do I go about finding a partner organization?

For assistance in finding a partner organization, please visit our EVZ Young social media channels on Facebook and Instagram:

[www.facebook.com/evzyoung](https://www.facebook.com/evzyoung)

[www.instagram.com/evzyoung/](https://www.instagram.com/evzyoung/)

We require a brief text in English introducing the organization and describing the planned project along with the name of a contact person and an expressive feature image. Please email your request to [meetup@stiftung-evz.de](mailto:meetup@stiftung-evz.de)

#### Who may apply?

Each participating partner may submit an application for the joint project. However, only one application per

partnership can – and should – be submitted. Applications may be submitted by legal entities only.

#### Must all project partners attach proof of their non-profit status?

Yes.

### YOUTH ENCOUNTERS

#### When can the youth encounters take place?

It is anticipated that the projects will run from March 1, 2022, to December 31, 2023. Please note that separate Cost and Funding Plans must be submitted for each of the two years.

#### Will there be a new call for applications in 2023?

Funding for projects planned in 2023 should be requested in the currently open round of calls. There will be no additional call for project funding in 2023.

#### Which topics may be addressed within the scope of the youth encounters?

The main focus of the international youth encounters is joint work on one of the following topics:

**Culture of remembrance:** The youth encounters are committed to promoting an active critical examination of the historical experience of National Socialism. They integrate historical narratives of the partner countries

while offering possibilities to map out approaches to historical experiences. The encounters establish links between the history of National Socialism and contemporary realms of experience, helping young people to actively address threats to democratic and open societies. In this way, young people are empowered to actively counter historical revisionism, antisemitism and group-focused enmity.

**Youth participation:** The youth encounters foster young people's commitment to becoming involved in democratic processes both within their environment and in an international context. The encounters impart the requisite skills and knowledge while empowering young people to take part in actively shaping the society they live in. Participants can exchange best practices in addition to learning about concepts and structures of youth participation, as well as planning and implementing their own project ideas.

**UN sustainable development goals:** The youth encounters enable participants to engage with and critically examine one of the 17 sustainable development goals of the United Nations. Young people can exchange ideas about the global sustainability goals as part of a process through which they learn that future-related issues in a just and equitable world affect each one of us individually. In addition to deepening their understanding and knowledge of the sustainability goals in terms of content, specific project ideas are also developed and implemented.

#### **What objectives are the youth encounters aiming for?**

- The encounters give participants the opportunity to gain international learning experience and decision-making skills in an increasingly globalized world.
- The young people can form experiences with cultural differences, reflect on their own views and perspectives, overcome prejudices and enhance their effectiveness in managing diversity.
- Through group and project work, the encounters enable young people to create self-determined learning environments using a multitude of methodological and didactic approaches and also develop awareness and understanding of their own responsibility for building a more peaceable and equitable world.

#### **What age should the participants be?**

Participants should be between 14 and 35 years of age.

#### **Is there a minimum/maximum number of participants?**

There must be at least six and at most 15 young participants (14 to 35 years of age) from each partner country.

## **PROJECT FORMATS**

The youth projects may take place in digital, hybrid or analog form. Please indicate the relevant format on the application form.

#### **What are digital projects?**

The encounters take place digitally. Funds may be requested for digital exchange, publicity initiatives and also products. The digital encounters are to take place over a period of at least 6 days for 4 hours per encounter.

#### **What are hybrid encounters?**

The partner organizations can carry out encounters and projects sharing a common theme. They may implement the projects locally – that is, in their own country – and then interface with partners in the digital space and meet for joint project work. Funds may be requested for local national projects, digital exchange, publicity initiatives and also products. Hybrid encounters are to be held over a period of at least 7 days (4 digital days for 4 hours per encounter in addition to 3 full days locally in the partner countries). Arrival and departure days count as half days.

#### **May my encounter also consist of analog and digital elements combined?**

We would very much encourage you to integrate digital elements into your project in addition to an analog encounter – for instance, digital group work or online workshops interposed between two encounters.

#### **What happens if my scheduled analog meeting is unable to take place due to new travel restrictions?**

If your encounter is unable to take place for travel restriction reasons, please get in touch with your contact person at the EVZ Foundation at the earliest opportunity to see whether it is possible to reschedule the encounter or reassign it as a digital or hybrid encounter.

## **JOB SHADOWING**

#### **What is job shadowing?**

In addition to a grant for binational and multinational youth encounters, project sponsors may also apply for a job shadowing program either in their partner organization or in a new organization with which a project-related collaboration is planned. In job shadowing, employees of partner organizations have the opportunity to become familiar with the operational procedures, projects and methods of the partner organizations. The main goals are to share best practices, strengthen the partnership and qualify employees.

### **How many job shadowing programs may I apply for?**

One job shadowing program for each participating country may be applied for. With three participating countries, for example, no more than three job shadowing programs may be applied for.

### **How is job shadowing funded?**

Job shadowing-related funding may be requested for the following expenses: travel, housing, meals and accommodations. Funding may be requested for up to 3,000 euros for one person per organization. This amount may be applied for in addition to the maximum funding of 50,000 euros per year.

### **When may the job shadowing program take place?**

The job shadowing program may take place in 2022. No job shadowing program may be conducted in 2023.

### **Who may apply for job shadowing?**

Job shadowing may not be applied for by individuals. It may be applied for within the scope of project funding only.

## **PROJECT FUNDING**

### **How are the projects funded by the EVZ Foundation?**

The projects are funded with so-called gap funds. In other words, the EVZ Foundation covers the expenses which grant recipients are unable to finance using either their own funds or external funds. The use of own funds or additional third-party funds is possible in this funding format.

The following expenses are funded: travel expenses, incidental travel expenses, program costs, honoraria, personnel costs, costs for summarizing and documenting the results, job shadowing and a flat-rate administration fee. Please note that separate Cost and Funding Plans must be submitted for both 2022 and 2023.

### **May personnel costs be applied for?**

Personnel costs may be applied for to a limited extent for project realization purposes (preparation, implementation, follow-up). The amount should be proportional to project costs and be based on local wage levels.

### **Is it possible to reapply following a rejection?**

Yes. You are welcome to resubmit an application during a new round of calls for applications.

### **When will I find out whether my project will be funded?**

Once we receive the applications, they are evaluated on a comparative basis and a selection of innovative projects is awarded grants. The EVZ Foundation's Board of Directors makes the final decision on funding for grants. You can expect to be informed starting in February 2022 regarding our decision on whether your project merits funding.

## **TECHNICAL QUESTIONS**

### **I am experiencing technical difficulties with the application form. What should I do?**

Please make sure you have the current version of Adobe Reader installed. Remember to save the application form prior to filling it out. Pay attention to the text field size. Only text that is visible in the text field is printed.

### **How can we overcome language barriers in the project?**

It is critical that all participants be given a meaningful opportunity to participate in the project. Native language and project language play a key role. For example, there may be some project phases in which a shared language is available to facilitate communication and make joint project work possible. This would typically be English or else a language common to the constellation of partners. In the absence of a shared language, it is also possible to make use of the services of interpreters and translators, and funding for their fees may be applied for.

### **IJAB's brochure on language animation:**

**Bestellservice – [ijab.de](http://ijab.de)**