

## Apply now: MEET UP! German-Ukrainian Youth Encounters

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2018

**Application deadline 15 February 2018**

MEET UP!, the German-Ukrainian exchange programme of the “Remembrance, Responsibility and Future” Foundation (EVZ), is entering the next round of proposals. We fund German-Ukrainian and German-Ukrainian-Russian youth encounters subject to the support of the Federal Foreign Office and the Robert Bosch Foundation. The aim of our programme: to intensify relations with the Ukraine and to strengthen the civic commitment to international understanding among young people from participating countries.

#### ➤ **Content of the encounters**

How can young Europeans facing manifold problems and challenges assume responsibility in their respective environments? How do they bring about effective changes for their neighbourhoods and societies? And how can they be active together, also after the youth encounter? The main focus of the encounters is mutual, independent work on these or similar issues.

#### ➤ **Project work**

We support projects encouraging young people to bring about changes in their respective environments. They could therefore explore political, historical topics or trigger environmental projects, for example. Media, music or other creative formats, such as theatre projects, websites or networking meetings are another option. Encounters of young artists, athletes, or other occupational groups may also be supported. We welcome any other ideas or inspiration. Please don't hesitate to contact us!

#### ➤ **Who can participate?**

Adolescents and young adults between the ages of 16 and 35 from Germany, the Ukraine and Russia are eligible to take part in the projects. Projects should have at least 6 and at most 20 participants per country.

#### ➤ **What encounters may be funded?**

German-Ukrainian youth encounters may take place either in Germany and/or the Ukraine. Trilateral encounters may take place in Germany and the Ukraine and in Russia. Ideally, encounters would take place in all participating countries. The encounters should be carried out over a period of at least 5 days per encounter (arrival and departure days count as half days).

#### ➤ **What expenses will be covered?**

The funding is intended for travel expenses, accommodation and meals, personnel costs and materials for the development and presentation of results. The amount of funding is dependent on the number of participants and on the measures proposed.

The projects are funded through what is called shortfall financing. This means that the EVZ Foundation covers expenses that the funding recipient cannot cover using their own funds or third-party funds. Own or third-party funds are expected.

➤ **What cannot be funded?**

- German-Russian encounters without Ukrainian participants and Ukrainian-Russian encounters without German participants
- Encounters among participants from one country only, e. g. Germany, Ukraine or Russia
- Projects that have already started
- Encounters that do not involve project work (e. g. visitor programmes, attendance at presentations or lectures, congresses, relief transports, humanitarian assistance, etc.)

➤ **Application**

Any natural or legal person from Germany or the Ukraine may *apply*: youth work providers, institutions, universities and colleges, student unions, sports clubs, cultural initiatives etc. Recipients of *grants* have to be legal persons only, such as educational institutions, universities, associations and organisations from Germany and Ukraine.

The applications are subject to the approval of third-party funds and will be accepted by the German Federal Foreign Office initially. They can be submitted in English or German by **15 February 2018**. There is no legal entitlement to funding.

**Projects may commence on 1 June 2018 at the earliest and have to be completed by 30 April 2019.**

Please use our application form and our table for the Costs and Financing Plan and submit your application (incl. scanned signature) **via e-mail** to: [meetup@stiftung-evz.de](mailto:meetup@stiftung-evz.de).

➤ **Approval process**

Using the means at our disposal within this framework, we strive to support as many initiatives and associations as possible in Germany and the Ukraine. Funding for German applicants is granted by means of a written approval letter; a grant agreement will be concluded with Ukrainian funding applicants. The language of the agreement is German. We can provide Ukrainian or Russian translation assistance.

In order to ensure that projects worthy of funding may be implemented in a timely manner, the EVZ Foundation may, under certain conditions, approve an early commencement of measures. This does not constitute a legal entitlement to funding.

➤ **Payment process and report on expenditure**

The payment of the approved funding shall be made within four weeks upon receipt of a call for funds, which is part of the approval letter or agreement. The report on expenditure shall be submitted two months after project completion. It shall contain a case report, a financial report, a list of participants and the project result, if applicable. You will receive the relevant documents with the approval letter or agreement.

➤ **Information on project funding from 2014-2017**

You can find information on funded projects between 2014 and 2017 on: [www.facebook.com/meetup.evz](http://www.facebook.com/meetup.evz) und [www.stiftung-evz.de/meetup](http://www.stiftung-evz.de/meetup).



➤ **Contact:**

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions regarding your application or project idea. You can contact us via email [meetup@stiftung-evz.de](mailto:meetup@stiftung-evz.de) and on [www.stiftung-evz.de/meetup](http://www.stiftung-evz.de/meetup).