



## 1<sup>st</sup> INFO PAPER FOR PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

Dear partner organization,

After three successfully performed European Alcohol Policy Youth Conferences (in 2012 in Slovenia, in 2014 in Turkey and in 2016 in Slovenia again), the Alcohol Policy Youth Network (APYN) and Lithuanian Medical Students' Association are happy to announce that the **4<sup>th</sup> European Alcohol Policy Conference (EAPYC)** will take place in **Vilnius, Lithuania between 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018**. The project has been accepted for funding by the Lithuanian National Agency of the Erasmus + Programme.

**Title of activity:** 4<sup>th</sup> EAPYC

**Type of activity:** mobility of youth workers

**Activity date:** from 11<sup>th</sup> of October till 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2018 (the dates include travel days)

**Activity location:** Vilnius, Lithuania

Partners involved:

- Lithuanian Medical Students Association, Lithuania
- Alcohol Policy Youth Network, Slovenia
- The Estonian Medical Students' Association, Estonia
- The CVS of Savona, Italy
- Association WalkTogether, Bulgaria
- Centre for education, counselling and personal development, Croatia
- Slovak Youth for Traveling, Education and Volunteering, Slovakia
- Sztukater Association, Poland
- Express Yourself, Latvia
- Youth Centre for Equal Opportunities, Macedonia (FYRM)
- La VÍbria Intercultural, Spain
- Center of Strategies for Youth Development, Romania
- United Games of Nations Czech Republic, Czech Republic
- Civil Life Association, Turkey

### Idea and aims

The 4<sup>th</sup> EAPYC will focus on creating momentum for participants to network and establish new contacts which later on can be used for joint initiatives across various European countries. The project focuses on three main themes: youth; health and wellbeing and reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers.

The idea of the conference is to bring together up to 100 youth workers, youth leaders and young people from across Europe between the age of 18 and 30, who are interested in preventing and reducing alcohol-related harm.

The main 4<sup>th</sup> EAPYC goals are to:



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- Raise interest among young people and youth organisations about prevention of alcohol related harm and alcohol policy;
- Promote evidence-based projects and practices for reducing the alcohol-related harm;
- Empower the participants with the necessary skills and capacities in order to effectively work on the field of alcohol;
- Empower the participants with the necessary tools to engage in advocating for more comprehensive alcohol policy at regional, national and international levels;
- Provide the necessary tools and training for participants to be able to conduct projects to reduce alcohol related harm on youth;
- Give participants the opportunity to exchange their expertise and good practises with their peers;
- Enhance cooperation and partnership among various youth organizations to work in the same topic, specifically alcohol.

### Selection of participants

As partners of the project you have the option to send up to three participants to the conference as representatives of your organization. However, the organizers will be selecting the participants based on their experience working in the field of alcohol and youth. Interest in working on health topics, promoting a healthy lifestyle and desire to carry out health-related projects in the future will also be taken into account when selecting the participants.

We guarantee a place at the conference for one representative of your organization. Another two places may be granted to your representatives based on the quality of their application and criteria described in the first paragraph.

**All candidates from your organization should apply to the conference by September 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 at the latest.**

The organizer will contact the selected applicants by:

- 31<sup>st</sup> of August for participants who applied until 24<sup>th</sup> of August 2018,
- 7<sup>th</sup> of September for participants who applied after 24<sup>th</sup> of August 2018.

Selected participants will receive the confirmation by email with a Welcome pack and information for arranging their travel.

### Costs

The conference has a participation fee, which does not apply for one representative of your organization, who has a guaranteed place. If selected, the other two persons from your organization will also be without the participation fee. We will cover the accommodation, food and local travel for the selected participants from your organization.



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# EAPYC

Fourth European  
Alcohol Policy Youth Conference

The costs for international travel can be covered according to the rules of the Erasmus+ Programme. The organizers can only cover the international travel costs for public transport and only up to the amount defined by the Erasmus+ Programme (the amounts differ based on the country of origin and the distance band).

In the application form the participants have the option to define how much of their travel costs they are able to finance themselves. The amount of a participant's financial contribution is not an exclusion criterion for participation at the conference. The funds saved will go to the international scholarship fund, which could enable additional participants from partner countries to travel to the conference and benefit from our event.

### Apply before September 5<sup>th</sup>

Application for the conference is available on this [link](#).

*DISCLAIMER: In APYN we have a "no-conflict of interest" rule, which means that any participant or organization, which is affiliated or has received funding from alcohol or tobacco industry or their intermediates, is ineligible for participation at this event. If found out on a later stage that the participant was falsely confirming the "no-conflict of interest" clause in the application form, the individual would be denied access to the Conference and the already paid participation fee will not be refunded. An application for membership does not mean a definite fee reduction – refund happens after approval of the new organization as a member by the APYN General Assembly on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018. The organizers will reimburse the participants for their expenses up to the agreed amount in 60 days after receiving of all necessary documentation (all invoices which confirm the costs, original boarding passes and other tickets). The participation fee, after being transferred, will not be refunded unless a force majeure.*



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