

MOUNTAIN WONDERS III

FROM PRODUCT TRANSFORMATION
TO SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

European Youth Exchange

with Belgium (CBB), Estonia (Estyes),
Turkie (GSM), Greece (Elix)
and France (Les Villages des Jeunes)

From October 21st to November 10th 2019
South Alps, France



VENUE

In the heart of the French Alps, our association “Les Villages des Jeunes” has been managing, livening up and renovating the Fai hosting center since 1990. This place is an old agricultural domain located at an altitude of 1000 meters, whose buildings have been developed into group accommodation. From April to December, we organize an inclusion project for local people experiencing social and professional difficulties and we host young people experiencing family, health or school difficulties. In summer, Fai is also an inspiring place for professional artists who come to create together and perform in our yearly festivals. The international youth workcamps and European exchanges that we organize in Fai contribute to make this place «extra», where people of different ages, from different countries and cultures, employees and volunteers, artists and tourists, live and work together for some days or several months. We hope that you too, volunteer from France or from abroad, will come in this spirit of meeting and «doing together» that drives our project!

ACTIVITIES

The youth exchange is based on the development of the territory’s natural resources. For 3 weeks we will learn transformation techniques: we will harvest, transform, cook, make lavender essential oil, visit processing workshops, and discover know-how from professionals. We will acquire new skills, introduce ourselves to new professions and discover a different way of working in relation to the natural and human environment. Together, we will cover various topics such as seasonality, self-production issues and short circuits, and partnerships that we can put in place to integrate properly in the territory. This initiative represents the opportunity to invest locally in a process of pooling traditional knowledge, to bring an international dimension, to disseminate the values of popular education and to arouse the curiosity and wonder of visitors. At the end of the Youth Exchange, we will organize a «Wonderland Market» to present our productions and exchange with visitors on the links between resource transformation, social transformation and «doing together.»

CONDITIONS

Participants should be aged 18 to 30 and come from Estonia, Turkey, Belgium, Greece or France. No specific skills are required, just be aware that the exchange will happen in English ! Transport is supported up to: Belgium, Greece / 275€ - Turkey, Estonia / 360€ - France / 180€

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Contact your sending organization in your country and ask for the application form.

Belgium, Compagnons Bâisseurs Belgique : outgoing@compagnonsbaisseurs.be

Estonia, Est Yes: estyes@estyes.ee

France, Les Villages des Jeunes : dr@villagesdesjeunes.org

Greece, Elix: volunteers@elix.org.gr

Turkey, GSM : gsm@gsm.org.tr

HOW TO COME

Airports: Paris Charles de Gaulle, or Lyon St Exupéry or Marseille Provence

Cheap flights: www.jetcost.com

Train tickets: <https://en.voyages-sncf.com/en/>

Closest train station : Veynes-Devoluy



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