ByteBoost

Building Youth Technology Empowerment

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SIATISTA
10-16 November 2025
10 & 16 Travel Days

THE HOST

Panhellenic Association of Electronic Applications, Informatics, and New Technologies Enterprises

Panhellenic Association of Electronic Applications, Informatics, and New Technologies Enterprises is an NGO established in 2010 in Siatista. Members of the Association are ICT companies and innovation clusters from all over Greece. The Association's primary objective is to support its members through its activities in order to promote their further development as enterprises and as well as their socioeconomic impact into the society. It has participated in National and European Projects, both as partner and as Lead Beneficiary, such as Erasmus+, Eramsus+ Youth, Interreg, Leader+, etc. It has extensive experience in working with and for different target groups, amongst which is the current project's one; the Association has used ICT to foster social and economic inclusion of disadvantaged groups mainly through training activities and information and dissemination activities.
Panellinios Sundesmos Epixiriseon Hlektronikon Efarmogon, Pliroforikis kai Neon Texnologion is a project partner from Greece and will work closely with other partners for the implementation of activities and also for the achievement of its goals and objectives. It will participate in all conferences and meetings, and also will participate in the dissemination of the project through its wide network of partners and organiz.ations. Also, it will participate in the evaluation of the whole project.

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

ByteBoost

ByteBoost is a multinational initiative aimed at improving the digital skills of youth workers aged 18–30 from Greece, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Hungary, Poland, and Romania. These youth workers support underprivileged young people, including NEETs and those facing social, economic, or cultural challenges.

Participating Organisations:

Panhellenic Association of Electronic Applications, Informatics, and New Technologies Enterprises (Greece) → **6 participants**

Udruženje građana "Eagletech" (Serbia) → **6 participants**

SDRUZHENIE EVROPEYSKI PROEKTI V BALGARIA (Bulgaria) → **6 participants**

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OBJECTIVES

The **ByteBoost** project aims to:

1.Enhance Digital Competence
- Equip youth workers with practical digital skills for outreach, education, and mentoring.
- Train participants in content creation, online tools, media literacy, and safe digital practices.

2. Promote Social Inclusion and Diversity
- Enable youth workers to support underprivileged youth (e.g., NEETs) effectively.
- Foster understanding of social, ethnic, language, gender, and cultural diversity.
- Encourage inclusion and equal opportunities for disadvantaged youth.

3. Strengthen Youth Work Practice
- Improve the ability of youth workers to mentor, train, and support young people.
- Facilitate comprehension of formal and informal education systems, youth policies, and labor market needs across consortium countries.
- Encourage innovative approaches and non-formal learning methods.

4. Support Professional Development
- Enhance leadership, project management, cross-cultural communication, and foreign language skills.
- Build motivation, confidence, and recognition for youth workers within their organizations.

ABOUT THE ACTIVITY

The ByteBoost mobility activity takes place in Siatista, Greece, and lasts five days. It brings together 42 youth workers aged 18–30 from Greece, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Hungary, Poland, and Romania (**6 from each country**) in a culturally immersive environment designed to develop digital skills and promote social inclusion. The program begins with orientation and team-building sessions to introduce participants, set expectations, and foster a collaborative atmosphere.

During the mobility, participants engage in hands-on workshops covering social media, content creation, collaboration tools, and safe online practices. They also take part in activities focused on social inclusion and innovation, including case studies, role-playing, and group projects aimed at supporting underprivileged youth.

Non-formal learning methods are used to facilitate collaborative development of digital projects and practical tools for youth engagement. The program concludes with participants presenting their projects, reflecting on their learning outcomes, and planning how to apply the knowledge and skills in their own communities. Throughout the mobility, youth leaders provide linguistic and intercultural support, while coordinators ensure effective communication and inclusion. Structured communication channels such as email, WhatsApp, and Google Meets are maintained before, during, and after the mobility to facilitate ongoing collaboration. By the end of the program, participants are expected to have enhanced their digital competence, intercultural understanding, and practical youth work skills, which they can apply to improve the quality and impact of youth programs within their organizations.

Siatista

10-16 NOVEMBER

AGENDA

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Arrival of the participants and Check-in at the Venue	Welcome circle, ice-breaking games, project overview	Intro to social media platforms, collaboration tools & content creation	Study Visit in **Kastoria**	Workshop on non-formal learning through digital projects	Showcase: participants present their digital projects	Departure of the participants & Check out
	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	
	Storytelling & team-building activities; discussion on digital skills for youth empowerment	Hands-on practice: creating content ethically & responsibly	Study Visit in **Kastoria**	Team challenge: create collaborative digital content; peer-to-peer learning	Peer feedback, Youthpass preparation, evaluation, & group reflection	
					Intercultural Night	
Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner		

PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE

Participants of the **ByteBoost** project have the following profile:

- 42 participants (6 from each country)
- Youth workers, trainers, and leaders (18–30 years old)

- **Professional Background:**

-Active youth workers, trainers, educators, and NGO staff engaged in non-formal education and youth empowerment.
-Experienced in working with young people, especially those from vulnerable or marginalized backgrounds (e.g., young people with disabilities, minority groups, migrants, or those facing social exclusion).
-Skilled in intercultural collaboration and motivated to exchange good practices at the European level.

The selection criteria of participants are:

Most participants are expected to be young adults between 18 and 30 years old, motivated to enhance their professional competences and bring new perspectives into their organizations. Selection criteria prioritize those who:

- Have experience working with disadvantaged youth or show strong potential to become community youth workers.

- Are eager to strengthen their skills in social entrepreneurship, intercultural communication, and non-formal education.

- Demonstrate commitment to inclusion, tolerance, and active citizenship.

- Can act as multipliers, applying and sharing the knowledge gained within their organizations and communities after the mobility.

- Are motivated to participate in follow-up and dissemination activities, ensuring long-term impact.

A balanced group composition is ensured, with equal representation from all partners and attention to gender balance and diversity of backgrounds. This mix of experiences and perspectives enriches the learning process, promotes intercultural dialogue, and strengthens collaboration across borders.

PREPARATION OF PARTICIPANTS

- The mobility will be in **English** and therefore participants should be able to communicate in English.

- All participants are expected to participate **fully in all activities**, except in the case of illness. Unauthorised absence from activities is not permitted. The activities will be designed and conducted in such a way that all participants have the opportunity to contribute their points of view. We expect you to participate and contribute.

- Before your travel, participants should check the documents they need to cross the border into Greece and whether they have them. **Pay attention to the expiry date!**

- Participants are encouraged to **promote the project**, share the results achieved and carry out **dissemination activities**.

- **Intercultural Night:** Participants are requested to present their home country and its culture to the group (presentations are optional) by telling a short story about it, bringing some traditional food, perform a dance, or some other tradition.

- **Youthpass Certificates:** All participants will receive a Youth pass certificate at the end of the mobility.

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

Hotel Siatista is a tranquil hotel set in the town of Siatista, Greece, ideal for travelers seeking peace and a connection with nature. The hotel promises a calm atmosphere and the enjoyment of natural surroundings, making it a suitable retreat from hustle and bustle.
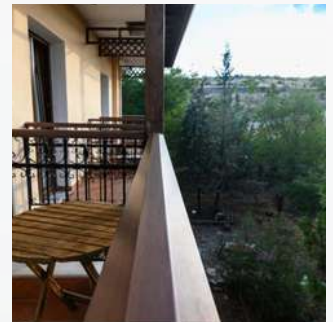
-The participants will be accommodated in **TRIPLE ROOMS** that can host up to **THREE GUESTS** with 1 single bed and 1 double bed.

-**Breakfast**, **Lunch** and **Dinner** will be provided by the host organisation:

- Breakfast is served at the hotel.
- Lunch is served at the venue in between sessions.
- Dinner is served at different restaurants in the area.

(Vegan/Vegeterian Options are available on request. Please note it on Participants' Data)

VENUE

KEK ORAMA – Vocational Training Center, Siatista, Kozani

KEK ORAMA is a vocational training center located at the intersection of Makedonomachon Street & 1 Ioannidi A. Street, 503 00 in Siatista, in the region of Kozani, Greece.

It falls under the category of adult education, offering education services aimed at enhancing skills, likely for local residents and those in nearby areas.

As part of the KEK network, ORAMA provides training opportunities that are focused on practical vocational skills. Though the detailed courses or specialties offered were not listed in the source I found, its classification suggests it supports adult learning and possibly retraining or upskilling in professional or hands-on fields.

*Transfer to Venue from Hotel and vice versa will be operated with private cars provided by the host organisation.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Per participant (max amount)

Panhellenic Association of Electronic Applications, Informatics, and New Technologies Enterprises (Greece) → **0€**

Udruženje građana "Eagletech" (Serbia) → **309€**

SDRUZHENIE EVROPEYSKI PROEKTI V BALGARIA (Bulgaria) → **211€**

GENÇLİK KILAVUZ DERNEĞİ (Türkiye) → **309€**

New Generation Hungary (Hungary) → **309€**

Klaster Innowacji Społecznych (Poland) → **309€**

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TRANSFER TO SIATISTA

✈ PRIVATE BUS FROM THESSALONIKI TO SIATISTA

A private bus will be arranged by the host to transfer participants from Thessaloniki to Siatista. The bus will depart from a central meeting point in Thessaloniki, scheduled according to the arrival time of the last participant. The exact departure location will be confirmed and communicated shortly.

If the departure is significantly delayed, participants will be offered dinner in Thessaloniki before the journey.

To ensure smooth planning, please complete the Participants' Data Form with your exact arrival date and time, so we can finalize the private bus booking.

TRAVEL

In line with the Erasmus+ Programme, travel costs will be refunded according to the distances calculated using the European Commission distance calculator. The participants themselves should cover any extra costs overcoming the budget limits. **To ensure the best connection and management of participants, flight tickets should be bought by the participants/sending organization.**

Travel tickets should be economy class and before buying tickets inform Youthability (send an email to youthability.ngo@gmail.com for approval) of your travel itinerary, when you will arrive and when you will departure from training. **1st class or other upper class flight tickets, taxi costs (in country of origin) and travel agencies fees are not eligible and will not be refunded.**

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Buses Thessaloniki: Organisation of Public Transport of Thessaloniki – OASTH (http://oasth.gr/).
Buses are coloured red, blue and white (with colour strips on their sides). Ticket costs 1 euro/route.

Key info on Thessaloniki → Kozani by Bus
- Buses are operated by KTEL Kozanis from the Thessaloniki Macedonia KTEL Bus Station to Kozani.
- The journey takes approximately 1 hour 45 minutes.
- There is generally a bus roughly every 3 hours on this route.
- The distance is about 120-130 km depending on the exact route.
- More info: https://ktelkozanis.gr/dromologia/

Police Number: Call the number 100 or 112 which is the European emergency number. But please be sure you will not call the Police. Thessaloniki is a very safe city, and you will always see people walking around any time of the day and night. However, protect yourself and do not put yourself into risk.

Medical Emergency: Number: 166 or 112 which is the European emergency number. In case of a health emergency call also one of our team members to help you. Keep your European Health Insurance Card always with you, along with your ID/Passport.

THE EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD
The European Health Insurance Card is a free card that gives you access to state- provided healthcare during a temporary stay in any of the 27 EU countries, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway and Switzerland, under the same conditions and at the same cost (free in some countries) as people insured in that country.

The European Health Insurance Card is issued by your national health insurance provider. You can find more information here: http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=563&langId=en#nationalinfo

REIMBURSEMENT

Reimbursement will be made upon full attendance of the activity, submission of Participants' Report (this is MANDATORY) via the Beneficiary Module and upon providing original evidence of participants' travel:

1. Travel Itinerary.
2. All original payment receipts of ticket purchasing and Visa where required.
3. All original Bus/Train tickets to/from the airport (use of TAXI or private car for use in the country of origin will NOT be covered).
4. Boarding passes (in case of electronic boarding passes, you should keep a screen shot and email them to Youthability before flying).
5. Copy of ID/Passport.
6. Submission of Participants' Report.

People who are coming late or leaving early at the Activity will not have their travel costs refunded.

Note that if you buy your tickets in a currency different to EURO, calculation of travel reimbursement will be calculated according to the exchange rates given on the official European Commission website for the month of the ticket purchase. All travel reimbursements will be done to the Sending Partner Organizations' Bank Accounts and not to each participant individually.

SIATISTA

Unveiling Greece's Best-Kept Secret

Nestled on the slopes of Mount Velia in West Macedonia, Greece, lies the picturesque town of Siatista. With its rich history and architectural beauty, Siatista offers visitors a glimpse into the charm of the 18th century. Let's explore this hidden gem and discover the wonders it has to offer.

Siatista enjoyed its economic heyday in the 18th and 19th centuries, thanks to the fur trade and the production and sale of liasto wine. This prosperity left its mark in the form of magnificent mansions that still stand today. Although many of these mansions are crumbling, around 50 of them have been preserved, showcasing the town's architectural heritage.

The church of Aghia Paraskevi in Siatista is a testament to the town's cosmopolitan outlook. Inside the church, you'll find a gilded, wood-carved iconostasis and magnificent murals in the matroneum. These murals depict influential philosophers such as Aristotle, Plato, Socrates, and a sibyl. The church reflects the influence of Siatistan traders who brought back new ideas and cultural influences from their travels.

Siatista can be visited year-round, but each season offers a unique experience. In the winter, the town is covered in a blanket of snow, creating a magical atmosphere. Spring brings vibrant colors as flowers bloom, and the surrounding nature comes to life.

READ MORE

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