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Welcome address

Greetings dear participant,

It is for us an immense pleasure that you have decided to participate in this International Workshop organized by Fundació Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia in close cooperation with JEF Catalunya and JEF Spain. We hope that this Workshop will be the first of many to come in the future. In addition, we have to mention that this would have not been possible without the involvement of the European Commission Youth in Action program and all partner organizations.

In this seminar we want to bring some new fresh air and, instead of just transmitting you some knowledge through workshop and academic conferences in which we want you to have a prominent role. For sure we will provide the tools to get a different insight, but the results of the project, even the own path we take to learn the concepts that will be presented to you, will depend mostly on your attitude and what you decide this seminar to be. Thus, remember that the ball is also on your side.

The program has been also designed for you to be able to take profit of being in such a particular and interesting city as Barcelona. That is why we have included in the program some additional activities to discover the city.

We wish that you have a wonderful time in Barcelona and that this workshop helps you to have a deeper insight on our current problems in the European Union, both at the national and supranational levels.

See you soon in Barcelona!

Best regards,

Oriol Illa
Director of the Ferrer Guardia Foundation

Pablo Faura
President of JEF Catalunya and JEF Spain

About the workshop

Europe is undergoing, especially in the context of the economic crisis, a decline of empathy among European countries, in general, and among young people, in particular. Facing the imminent European Parliament Elections 2014, it is necessary to promote initiatives related to European Citizenship in order to encourage a European sense of belonging which goes beyond the image of an economic-centered Europe as it is presented in the mass media. Our aim is to promote the wider concept of citizenship which is encompassed in Europe.

According to this, we intend to develop, during the year 2013, the “ES Melóntikos Project: Workshop on Citizenship”. As a driving force of the project, a transnational workshop on citizenship and democracy will take place in Barcelona with the participation of other institutions and people from different European countries. **The project will focus on the concept of the European Citizenship** as well as on the promotion of participatory democracy tools which are accessible to all European citizens, which sometimes are not known enough. Year 2013 is presented as a moment with communicative synergies for the development of this project: on the framework of the “European Year for Citizens 2013” and previously to the European Elections that will be held on June 2014.

In this project, we don't want to forget young people's active participation in order to promote the reconstruction of our society which is, in the current crisis, facing a risk of political disaffection and a loss of the democratic and participatory values that rely on our society. In this regard, we set out with this project's title (Mellontikós) which **means “future” in Greek**, with the aim of providing young people those values of optimism and commitment to our societies' democratic reconstruction. Thus, “ES Melóntikos Project” suggests several activities, in which 45 young people from all over Europe (between 18 and 30 years) will participate, as well as experts and political authorities concerned to these issues. Activities will be carried out during 5 days in the city of Barcelona. During the workshop, a video about young people and European Citizenship will be filmed to promote the aims and results of the workshop.

Global Objectives of the project

- To promote greater awareness among the youth of the concept of European citizenship.
- To promote a close practical knowledge on the various dimensions of the concept of citizenship.
- To contribute to a greater awareness among young Europeans of their similarities as European citizens.
- To create a European citizenship awareness

Educational objectives of the project:

- Explain the content of the concept of citizenship, with special focus on rights and duties of people as citizens of the European society.
- Show the different types of eventual evolution of the European citizenship, analyzing their advantages and disadvantages in the light of empirical evidences.

Sets of activities

We plan mainly two types of activities:

1) Instructional activities: we want to launch a workshop where students will think about the concept of citizenship, with special focus on the rights and duties involved through informal activities. This will take the form of an international seminar that will be held in Barcelona. This seminar has two parts. In the first one participants will interact in multicultural teams where participants will think about the concept of citizenship currently in force. In the second one participants will be invited to discuss and provide alternative mechanism to make the concept of citizenship to evolve in a way that can help to improve the functioning of democracies and encourage young people to participate in the political processes. On Saturday we will also register a video to enforce the impact of the activities.

2) Online activities: The second part of the project is an online continuation of the proposals the participants did during the seminar. The idea is that they elaborate materials they decide to improve democracy in general but in particular in their own countries and how young people participation can be fostered.

Program of the workshop

SESSION 0 A	OPENING DAY - WELCOME
Date	Wednesday, 3, July, 17h-19h
Premise:	Hotel Lesseps, entrance hall. Hotel Lesseps: Calle Ballester, 77-81, Barcelona http://www.hotellesseps.com/en
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practical information and tips about Barcelona, the hotel and workshop facilities and rules of procedures (information related with meals, payments, etc.) - General information about the seminar - Presentation and handover of training materials (workshop's kit)

SESSION 1	OPENING DAY – WELCOME DINNER
Date	Wednesday, 3, July, 19h30-21:30h
Premise:	Hotel Lesseps: Calle Ballester, 77-81, Barcelona http://www.hotellesseps.com/en
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dinner - Getting to know each other

SESSION 2	Introduction: the world we live in
Date	Thursday, 4, July, 9h-13h
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end) Google Maps
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic concepts to understand nowadays' problems - The current trends in income and inequality - Public and private: the essence of politics

***Lunch together at 13:30h. We will depart together from Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end)**

SESSION 3	<i>Citizens and participation in public decision making</i>
Date	Thursday, 4, July, 15:30h-18:30h
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end) Google Maps
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representation system, at glance. - Mechanisms of Participation: Electoral Processes, Petitions, ECIs, Participatory budgeting, etc. - Preparation visit to the Catalan Parliament

SESSION 4	<i>Do we have an European public opinion? (dinner included)</i>
Date	Thursday, 4, July 2013, 19:30h- 21:30h (dinner included)
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end) Google Maps
Contents:	- Dinner and debate with a journalist with a long experience with media and Europe

SESSION 5	<i>The Catalan Parliament. Local policies in the EU.</i>
Date	Friday, 5th, July 2013, 9:45h-13h
Premise:	Parliament of Catalonia. http://www.parlament.cat/web/parlament Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n 08003 Barcelona Google Maps
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The relationship of local governments with the European Union. - Visit to the Catalan Parliament and chat with Catalan members of the Parliament

***Picnic at Parc de la Ciutadella (where the Parliament of Catalonia is located)**

SESSION 6	<i>Europe and European Citizenship</i>
Date	Friday, 5, July, 16:30h – 18:30h
Premise:	Fundació Ferrer Guardia. Avinyó street, 44, 08002 Barcelona (map at the end) Google Maps
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EU Citizens rights and possible obstacles - Future of the citizenship concept and status. - <i>What We Mean By European Citizenship?</i>

*** 18:30h Cultural visit around the City (optional) and at 20:00h dinner together!**

SESSION 7	<i>Youth participation</i>
Date	Saturday, 6, July, 10:00h – 12h
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end)
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth organizations and youth participation - Network work in Europe - The impact of ITC: strengths and weakness <p><i>* During all Saturday we will be filming a video in groups.</i></p>

SESSION 8	<i>Active and reactive citizenship</i>
Date	Saturday, 6, July, 12h00-13h30
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end)
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conceptualization of active and reactive citizenship - Future of the citizenship concept and status within a democracy.

***Lunch together at 13:30h. We will depart together from Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end)**

SESSION 6	<i>2014 European Parliament Elections. Go!</i>
Date	Saturday, 6, July, 15:30h-17:30h
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end)
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - European Institutions - Mechanisms of Participation - How to promote participation?

*** 20:00 dinner together and party**

SESSION 7	CLOSING DAY
Date	Sunday, 7 July, 11-13h
Premise:	Espai Jove La Fontana: Gran de Gràcia Street, 190, Barcelona (map at the end) Google Maps
Contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Final evaluation - Team Work: writing a collective manifesto - Final assessment of the workshop - Payments