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YOUTH EXCHANGE



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# ABOUT US

Associazione Ouroboros is a non-profit, non-governmental organization based in Catania, Sicily.

Founded in 2019 by a group of students passionate about the arts, the association's mission is to organize and promote artistic initiatives and cultural activities for young people.

## KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ORGANIZATION INCLUDE:

### SPECIALIZATION IN THEATER

Their primary artistic activity is **musical theater**.

Successful past productions include musicals such as "City of Stars", "The Greatest Show", and most recently in 2024, "Alexander Hamilton".

### INFRASTRUCTURE

In 2024, they inaugurated "THE SPOT", a performing arts center where members participate in **academic training in musical theater, music, and dance**.

### SOCIAL GOALS

Ouroboros utilizes **non-formal education to develop youth skills**, promote environmental sustainability, and foster social inclusion, paying particular attention to vulnerable groups and young people with fewer opportunities.

### EUROPEAN EXPERIENCE

Active in Erasmus+ mobility projects since 2022, the association has successfully implemented projects such as "ReACT to Youth Unemployment"



# SUMMARY



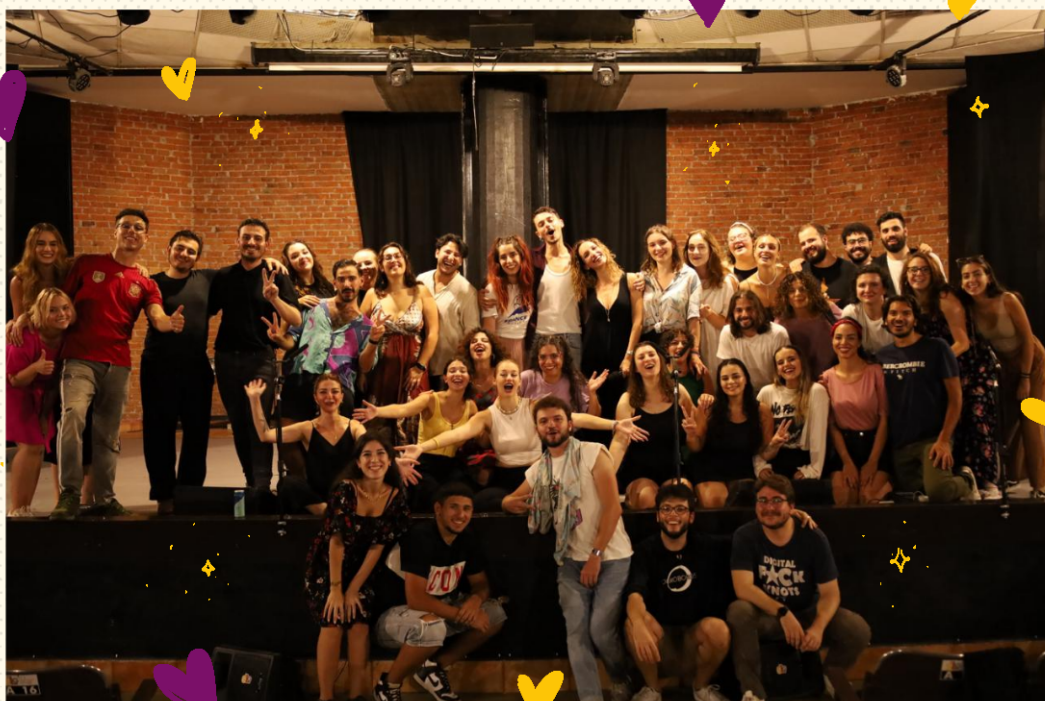
The project is a **Youth Exchange** scheduled to take place in Catania from **May 10th to 19th, 2026**.

It will involve a total of **32 participants** (including youth, group leaders, and experts) from six countries: **Italy, Romania, Serbia, Greece, Estonia, and Spain**.

The core of the project is the use of **theater as a methodological tool**.

Participants will explore **sensitive themes of diversity and inclusion**, transforming personal stories into collective messages through workshops in acting, scriptwriting, and stage presence.

The activity will culminate in a **public theater/musical performance for the local community in Catania**.



# AIM

of the project

AIM OF THE PROJECT IS TO PROMOTE INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE BY USING THEATER AND MUSIC AS NON-FORMAL EDUCATION TOOLS TO ENCOURAGE INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE, DEVELOP LEADERSHIP AND CIVIC COMPETENCES.

## OBJECTIVES

- ✦ Increase awareness of inclusion and diversity by engaging participants in artistic and intercultural activities that challenge stereotypes and discrimination.
  - Develop youth leadership and civic competences so that participants can take initiative, promote **equity**, and act as multipliers in their local communities.
- ✦ Foster intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding among young people from different backgrounds, strengthening **European identity and values**.
  - Promote **non-formal education** through creative methods such as **theater and music**, enhancing participants' personal, social, and learning competences.
- ✦ Ensure access and participation for young people with **fewer opportunities**, providing tailored support that enables their full inclusion and personal development.



# WEATHER



The project will take place at the foot of the **Mount Etna**, the weather in May is typically **mild and spring-like**, but it can change quickly due to the altitude.

Daytime temperatures usually range between **15°C and 22°C**, while early mornings and evenings can be cooler, around **8°C to 12°C**, especially because of the high location.

Participants are recommended to bring sportswear to be comfort during activities, layered clothing, with light clothes for daytime activities and a warmer jacket for the evening.

# FACILITIES

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Each day we will provide a transport to the local shop if you should need something (refreshments, snacks or something for the SecretFriend activity!)



# ACCOMODATION

You'll be hosted at LA PIETRA ANTICA O' MUNTI,  
Puntalazzo, Catania.

[HTTPS://LAPIETRAANTICA.IT/VR/](https://lapietraantica.it/vr/)

# SERVICES

Free WiFi

Air conditioning

A seating area

Private bathroom with  
a hairdryer, a bath or shower

Bed linen and courtesy set

Room of 4 or 6 beds

**NO WASHING MACHINE**  
(rooms will be clean and linen replaced  
periodically by the staff)



Outdoors



Restaurant



Rooms



# SAFETY measures



You'll live in an intercultural environment,  
so accept all cultures and be tolerant.

Alcohol only after activities in the evening  
and consumed with responsibility

**!! NO DRUGS ALLOWED !!**



# TRANSPORT

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Depending on arrival times of the participants, we will  
arrange private transfer by bus from Catania airport  
to the venue on arrival day around 18:00/18:30,  
so try to book transportation that arrive earlier.

Coming on your own is **NOT AN OPTION** as the  
venue is **NOT CONNECTED** by public transport.

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# INTERCULTURAL night

For intercultural evening you have to bring some traditional food and drinks and to be ready to teach us a song or a dance.

## !! ATTENTION !!

There is no possibility to use kitchen for cooking (because of new regulations about safety and hygiene) so bring dry things you can prepare short and easy meals that can be done without oven like salads etc.

If you need some ingredients like vegetables, oil, salt, regular spices, bread etc. we can provide them.





# REIMBURSEMENT

## BUS - TRAIN - FERRY

Tickets and invoices in original.

If you need local transport in your country try to buy return tickets.

Tickets should have date, itinerary and cost.

If there is no name, write it on the back.

## FLIGHTS

Electronic ticket with name, dates, itinerary, costs AND INVOICE if some of the previous item is not on the ticket.

**BOARDING PASSES compulsory** (keep them as without them you don't have your money back!)

If you did mobile check-in you can send us the print screen.

If you travel with **RYANAIR** be sure to screenshot your boarding pass from the app, as **they will delete it after the boarding.**

Take only APEX flights (no business class) and only 2 nd class trains.

## TAXI - BOLT - UBER

Costs are not eligible unless exceptional situations.

Be sure to have price and data on bus and train tickets, also on airplane tickets.

If not, ask for receipts or invoices. If any of the participants use **“green travel”** meaning more than half of the journey the teams use bus, train, cars - tell us one month in advance.

# REIMBURSEMENT

The reimbursement will be in accordance with the distance calculator for the maximum amounts approved in application and will be done after the project **when we'll receive all ORIGINAL documents and a specific declaration for travel costs signed.**

The amounts for reimbursement will be based on the tickets/invoice presented. There will be one transfer for every country in account of sending organizations according to National Agency rules.

COUNTRY	BUDGETS
Romania	309 <sup>€</sup>
Serbia	309 <sup>€</sup>
Greece	309 <sup>€</sup>
Spain	309 <sup>€</sup>
Estonia	395 <sup>€</sup>

# [INFORMATION]???

You can spend 2 days before or after the project in Italy but no costs of accommodation, food or other expenses will be reimbursed for days outside the project. Any kind of insurance is in participants' individual charge and not reimbursable.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL GET YOUTHPASS CERTIFICATES**

## LINKS

### REGISTRATION FORM

[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/W8B8HVS3QMY4KZVA8](https://forms.gle/w8b8hvs3qmy4kzva8)

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Ciao!