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PICS 4 PEACE

YOUTH EXCHANGE

Marina di Modica

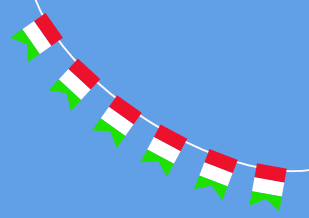


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Dates: From 07-04-2026 to 16-04-2026 (Including travel days)

Location: Marina di Modica, Sicily, Italy

Participants: 7 per country (6 participants + 1 group leader)

Countries: Türkiye Poland, Czech republic, Slovenia, Italy



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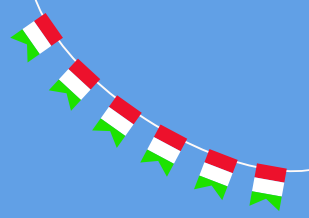


The 8 Key
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION



Pics 4 Peace is a Youth Exchange that aims to promote peace, inclusion, and active citizenship through non-formal education and creative expression.

The project brings together young people from different countries to foster intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding, using photography as a universal language to explore peace at personal, interpersonal, social, and global levels.

Participants develop key personal and social competences such as self-awareness, emotional literacy, empathy, communication, teamwork, creativity, and critical thinking. Special attention is given to the inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities, ensuring equal participation and a safe learning environment.

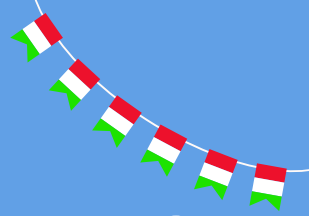
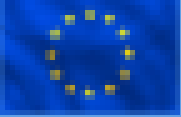
Through visual storytelling and public exhibitions, Pics 4 Peace strengthens youth voice, raises awareness about peace and diversity, and encourages young people to actively contribute to more inclusive and peaceful communities.

By sharing their photo-stories through public exhibitions and dissemination activities, participants raise awareness about peace and social cohesion within local communities, strengthening youth voice and encouraging active engagement in democratic and civic life.



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PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS

The selection of participants will be conducted by sending organizations based on the information provided by the applicants.

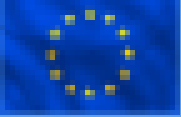
Each organization will be responsible for finding and preparing participants who match the following criteria best:

- Young individuals, between the ages of **18 and 30**, residing in partner organizations' countries.
- There is no age limit set for group leaders (18+).
- Possess at least **a communicative level of English language**, enabling them to actively engage in preparatory meetings and the youth exchange.
- Exhibit **a strong interest in the project's central theme**:

PROFILE OF GROUP LEADER

- Group leaders are expected to be youth workers or trainers with experience in youth work and in Erasmus+ projects.
- They should be able to support participants throughout the project, including the organisation and facilitation of preparatory meetings.
- Group leaders are also required to communicate and cooperate with other leaders during the programme preparation, as well as to assist participants with practical arrangements for the training course.
- During the mobility, they will support participants' learning process and ensure their active and meaningful participation.
- After the training course, group leaders will organise and facilitate evaluation meetings and contribute to the development of follow-up activities.
- There is no upper age limit for group leaders (20+).





Ideal Participants Are...

Curious and engaged

You don't need to be an expert in the training topic, but you should come with interest and a desire to explore it with others. Whether it's inclusion, youth participation, or digital accessibility — you're here to learn, exchange, and reflect.

Willing to be part of a group

Participants should be ready to work, share, and live in a group setting. This includes joining all activities, respecting common spaces, and contributing to a positive and cooperative environment.



Respectful and open-minded

You will interact with people from different countries and cultural backgrounds. Being respectful, inclusive, and adaptable to different habits, beliefs, and lifestyles is key to creating a safe and empowering space for all.

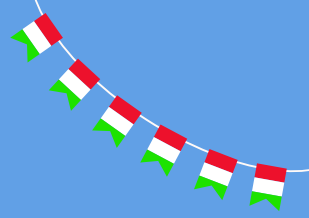
Motivated to learn and contribute

This is a learning-based training: we expect participants to take part actively, whether it's leading a small activity, sharing experience, or simply being an attentive and supportive presence.



Responsible and present

This means being on time, attending all sessions, and taking your role in the group seriously. Your active presence helps create a stronger, more connected team.



Flexible and adaptable

Plans may change, conditions may vary, and you may face new experiences such as different foods, shared rooms, or limited Wi-Fi. A positive, flexible attitude helps everyone enjoy and grow from the experience.



Positive and encouraging

A kind word, a clap of appreciation, or a smile can make a big difference. Bringing gratitude and a good spirit helps build a trusting and enriching atmosphere.

Final Note

If you feel curious, even a little nervous, but eager to grow and connect—you're probably the perfect fit. But if you're looking for a cheap vacation, are not truly interested in the topic, or don't want to be part of a shared group process, this might not be the right experience for you.



WORKING METHODS

- learning by doing
- non-formal education
- ice breakers and teambuilding activities
- debates, simulation activities, group work and many more!





VENUE

Participants will be hosted by [ts https://keysofsicily.it/](https://keysofsicily.it/)

Service: Wifi, A/C, 1 or 2 bedrooms, living room, bathroom and large patio by the beach.



The venue will provide you blankets and towels but not soap, shower gel, shampoo etc.

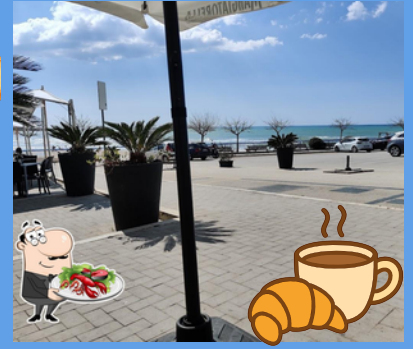


There is direct access to the equipped beach clubs and the fabulous beach, awarded the Blue Flag for the second consecutive year.





FOOD



During the activity, the participants will be provided with three meals per day and two coffee breaks.

Participants will have meals served at the Le Alghe restaurant adjacent to the accommodation.

Please inform us in the application form about your food habits and needs (fast, vegetarian, vegan, food allergies)!



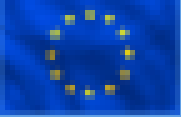
LAUNDRY

For participants traveling with just a small backpack, don't worry—there is aoperated washing machine in your apartment.

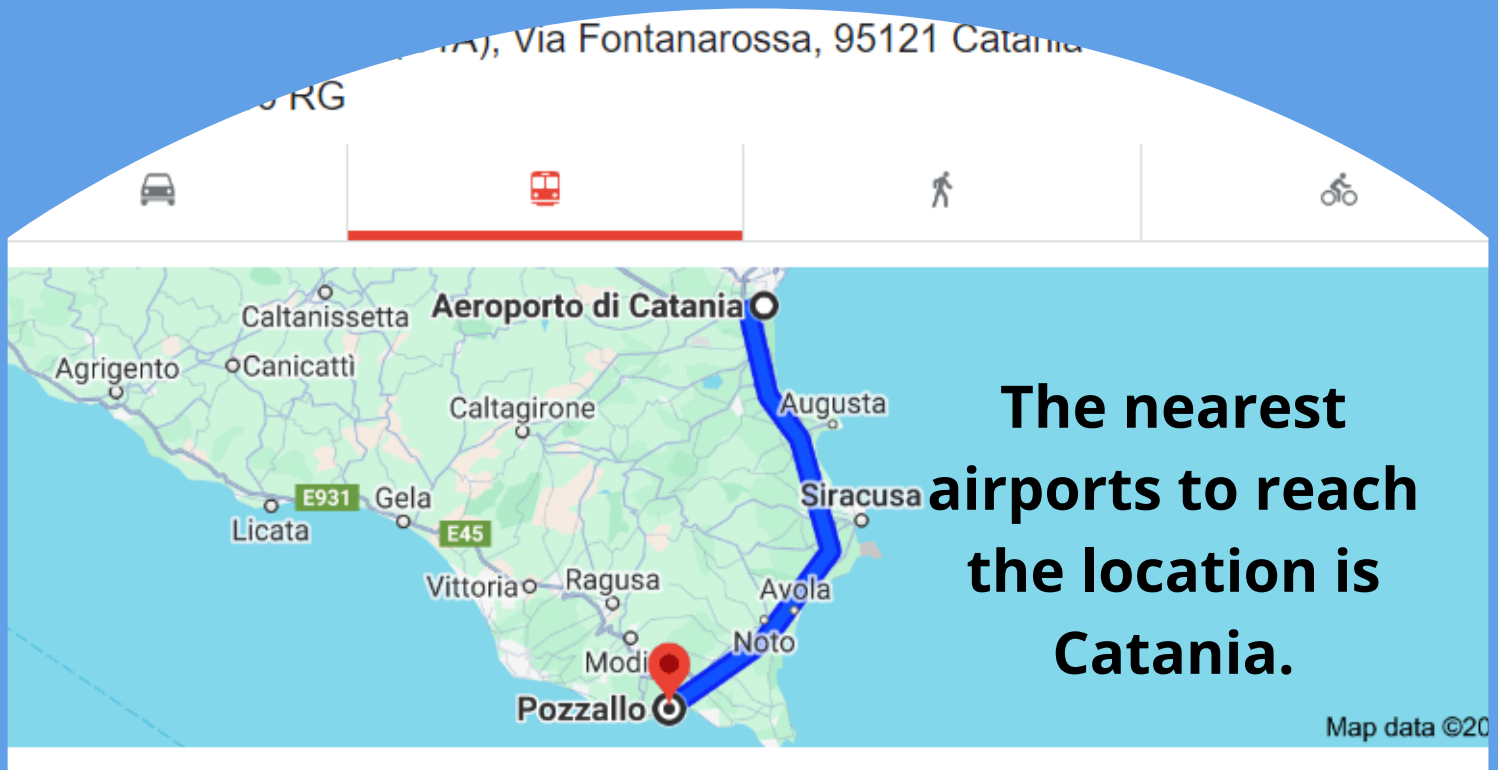
SHOP AND ESSENTIAL

The accommodation is located a short distance from small supermarkets, away on foot, making it easy to buy snacks, drinks or any other essentials. This will be especially useful when preparing for your intercultural night, where you'll be invited to share something from your country.





HOW TO REACH THE VENUE



In Catania you have to reach Pozzallo by bus or train.

Best choice is the bus.

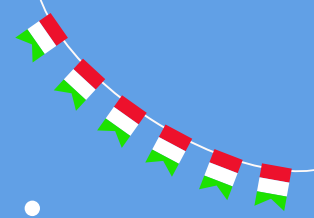
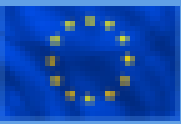
If you take the bus from Catania airport to Pozzallo (01:30h time race), our staff will pick you up from the Pozzallo bus station by car.

It is very important for you to communicate in advance your arrival time in Pozzallo.

Please, note that the last bus leaving to Catania airport is at 20:45 so be careful to take the right flight to catch the bus to Pozzallo.

We recommend that you plan your trip carefully, as we do not refund inconveniences caused by schedules or transportation.

For the way back, please note that the first bus leaving for Catania airport is at 06:10 from Pozzallo. The staff of our organization will provide you to reach Pozzallo bus station.



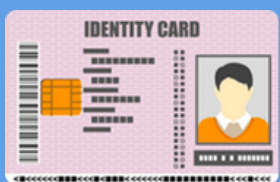
PREPARATION:

To fully enjoy the experience, please make sure you bring a few essential items with you. The Youth Exchange will include outdoor sessions, group activities and intercultural moments, so being prepared will help you participate comfortably and actively.



WHAT TO BRING:

- A light jacket or hoodie for cooler evenings;
- Comfortable shoes for walking and physical activities;
- Basic toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, etc.);
- At least one laptop per national team to support digital tasks and presentations.



- Valid ID card or passport (check expiration!);
- European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), if applicable;
- Swimming suit, sunscreen and, if you want enjoy the beach, a towel to use for that (towels provided by the accommodation must not be used at the beach);
- Comfortable clothes for warm weather and outdoor activities;



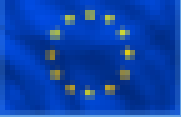


TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Country	Organisation	Budget
Italy	Key Life	109 €
Slovenia	DELTA Z	309 €
Türkiye	Avrupa Beceri Enstitüsü Derneği	309 €
Poland	Youth Human Impact	309 €
Czech republic	YOUnited z.s.	309 €

Travel Reimbursement Rules

- The travel budget indicated is a maximum amount per person, covering the round trip.
- According to Erasmus+ rules, travel costs will be reimbursed based on the actual expenses incurred, up to the budget limit set per participant.
- This means that: if you spend less than the limit, you will be reimbursed only the amount you actually paid; if you spend more than the limit, you will be reimbursed only up to the maximum budget.
- Before purchasing your tickets, please carefully check your travel cost limit.
- Any amount exceeding the limit will be at your own expense.
- Before booking, participants must contact their sending organisation to obtain approval for their travel plan.
- Once selected, participants are required to get in touch with the project contact person to agree on the travel route.
- To search for the cheapest routes, we strongly recommend using: www.skyscanner.com



TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT



The travel route must comply with the following conditions:

Bookings through travel agencies are not allowed.

(Platforms such as Kiwi.com or similar websites are accepted.)

Participants must keep and submit all tickets and boarding passes.

For paper tickets, a clear photo or scan is sufficient.

Only basic fares are eligible for reimbursement.

Optional services (e.g. priority boarding) and checked luggage are not reimbursed.

All travel documents (tickets, boarding passes, invoices, booking confirmations, receipts) must be saved.

Complete documentation is required for reimbursement.

All tickets for both directions must be purchased before the mobility.

Only actual expenses paid can be reimbursed.

Taxi costs are not reimbursable.

Travel costs are reimbursed (up to 100%) based on:

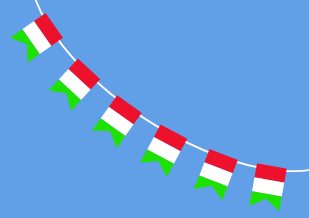
- real expenses, and
- the distance calculated with the European Commission distance calculator.

Reimbursements are transferred only to the sending organisation (or group leader).

Missing tickets cannot be reimbursed.

Tickets bought in other currencies are converted into euros using the official European Commission exchange rates.

Participants must travel from and back to the country of the sending organisation.



DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES

Reimbursement will only be made after the completion of the following dissemination activities, designed to promote and share the project experience:



- Posting on your personal social media, tagging the hosting organization, and sharing a meaningful moment from the project.

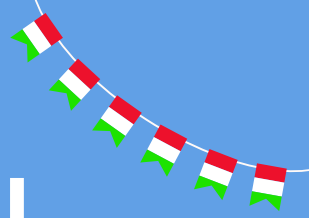
The goal is to give visibility to the project and inspire other young people to take part in Erasmus+ opportunities.



- Participating in or organizing an in-person or online meeting with your peers (e.g. at university, youth centers, schools, local groups) to present and discuss your experience (at least one meeting per national team).



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INTERCULTURAL NIGHT

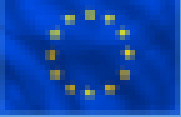
Each national team will participate in an intercultural evening.
Please bring:

- Some typical food or drinks from your country (non-perishable or easy to carry);
- A small presentation or activity to represent your culture (songs, dances, games, stories, or traditional objects).



You'll also have access to a small kitchen in your apartment, so you're welcome to prepare something simple to share with others if you like.

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PREPARATIONS AND CONTACTS



The contacts to reach us out are:

Instagram: **Keylife.ngo**

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61563248855295>



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