

Local in Global FORUM 2021

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN RURAL AREAS - IDEAS, GOOD PRACTICE AND FRUITFUL EXCHANGE

March 26th - 30th 2021

An online forum for actors from the fields of non-formal education with a special interest in rural and structurally weak areas from Armenia, Bulgaria, Germany, Moldova, Poland and Ukraine

CALL for participation

How to provide authentic, attractive, impactful educational offers for sustainable development in rural areas? - This is the core question of the Local in Global forum. The program combines keynotes by experts, sessions for networking, and workshops on a choice of topics. An exchange of good practice for education for sustainable development (ESD) and transformative learning in non-formal education finds a place, as well as an open exchange format tailored to the needs and interests of the group.

Participants can choose one of two topics they would like to explore more in-depth:

- **Sustainable educational centres in rural areas**
How do educational centres in various countries foster sustainability in their educational work and their everyday practice (food, energy supply, transport, etc.)? How do they interact with the local community around them?
- **Education for sustainable development for rural audiences**
What kind of educational offers are suitable and attractive for audiences in rural and structurally weak areas? How can we provide social entrepreneurship perspectives to rural youth that is compatible with sustainability principles? And how to increase the appreciation for a sustainable lifestyle amongst rural youth?

Language: English
Tools: Online video-conferencing tool Zoom and additional digital tools
Fees: Participation is free of charge, thanks to co-funding from the European Union through the program Erasmus+
Registration: Online via this Typeform link: <https://cutt.ly/Ezzfh3s>
Please note: Registration is valid only after confirmation from the project coordinators, who try to assure a diverse and balanced group constellation.
Contact: For further questions please contact the partner organization in your country or the coordinator Elisabeth Kremer: kremer@kreisau.de



Draft program

As of March 17, 2021 // The program may be subject to changes.

FRIDAY, 26.03. // 3:00-6:00 p.m. (CET)

Session 1 – Introduction and getting to know each other

- Welcome and (technical) introduction
- Getting to know each other
- Expectations and outlook on the program
- Keynote: Education for sustainable development in rural areas - by Liliana Botnaru (Riscova, Moldova // tbc)

SATURDAY, 27.03. // 9:00-12:00 a.m. + 2:00-5:00 p.m. (CET)

Session 2 – Going broader

- Check-in
- Exchange: Our experiences with sustainability education in rural areas
- Mapping: main challenges and potentials of sustainability education in rural areas
- Introduction to the two workshops

Session 3 – Going deeper

- Two parallel workshop sessions:
 - W1: Sustainable educational centres in rural areas
 - EkoCenter Stina, Ukraine (Iaroslav Gerashchenko)
 - Krzyzowa Foundation for Mutual Understanding in Europe, Poland (Anna Dankowska - tbc)
 - W2: Education for sustainable development for rural audiences
 - N.N.
 - Boo Alt House, Armenia (N.N., tbc)
- Wrap-up of the day - informal setting for exchange

SUNDAY, 28.03. // 10:00-13:00 (CET+1*)

Session 4 – Growing stronger: supporting and learning from each other

- Check-in
- Harvesting + exchange: What do we take from the workshops?
- Open space format: Working around participants' needs
- Small reflective/outreach task for the final session

TUESDAY, 30.3. // 16:00-19:00 (CET +1)

Session 5 – Going further

- Exchange about the tasks (reflection or outreach)
- Transfer: an empowering co-counseling session
- Wrap-up and good bye

**) In the night between March 27 and 28, the clocks will go forward in Germany and Poland.*