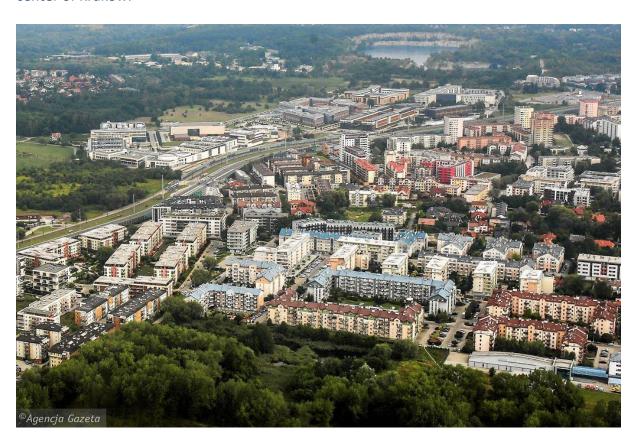




# Infopack Youth exchange "TolerART" 1-7<sup>th</sup> September 2020, Kraków, Poland

Platforma Integracji Młodzieży (Platform for Youth Integration) is a non-governmental non-profit organization based in Krakow, founded in November 2018. We are a foundation supporting local children, youth and intergenerational dialogue. Our goal is to develop civil society by promoting education, self-awareness, participation in democratic processes, knowledge on fundamental legal, economic and cultural heritage issues. We want integration to be the main feature of our activities, understood both locally as equalizing opportunities regardless of age, social or material status, but also understood in the European dimension, focusing on tolerance, mobility and seeking better solutions for common Europe. We want to supplement the existing system of formal education in our region by various non-formal and informal educational activities, based on both fundraising and subsidies from local government and national as well as EU funds. The basic area of our activity is the city Kraków and Ruczaj — city's district with the character of the "big slab" housing estate, part of District VIII Dębniki, located approximately 4 km southwest of the center of Krakow.







Because we often feel unnoticed, deaf and overlooked, we manifest our views or emotions in a way that is not controlled by the system - by placing them on walls, walls, block facades or other places visible from afar. These "scrawls" as they were originally called, have in recent years gained the name - Street art. Their message is different, from insulting slogans to simply beautifying the surroundings (e. g. by covering destroyed buildings with largeformat paintings), commemorating famous people and their actions, up to manifesting political views or finally raising social issues (Banksy's works, Escif's or the cult mural in Vilnius "Make everything great again"). Through our project we want to pay special attention to the street art phenomenon as a form of social communication. In the world of anaesthetics, biased media or spreading political propaganda, it is often the walls of big cities that are the carrier of real, dormant emotions. Therefore, this topic has become particularly interesting for us and we would like to confront it with foreign realities. Together with our foreign colleagues, we would like to raise the issue and genesis of street art, discuss the differences between art and vandalism and compare the works in our cities and the subject matter they refer to. This will increase our awareness and together we will be able to create a "Good Wall" mural, which will increase the long-term educational effect on the entire local community and engage school children in the action. In our city, this is particularly important because most of the buildings around us are filled with slogans calling for racism, xenophobia or anti-Semitism. Moreover, we will learn the basics of good citizenship, care for our immediate environment, respect for social property and teamwork. Thanks to these activities we will also learn what activism and social identity is. We also want to raise awareness of the environment about the essence of tolerance and the importance and power of the Street art trend.







This project will consist of three basic parts:

- The preparatory period from 1<sup>st</sup> August,
- Implementation (APV and youth exchange in Kraków, Poland)
- dissemination of the project results to the end of its duration.



Here is a brief agenda of the exchange:

- Day 1: Arrivals;
- Day 2: Getting to know each other, our organisations and Erasmus+, team-building;
- Day 3: workshops about tolerance, simulation game, Polish national evening;
- Day 4: workshops about street art and its artists, 2 national evenings;
- Day 5: city game and preparing to mural, 2 national evenings;
- Day 6: making mural and all promotional activities, farewell party in city centre;
- Day 7: Departures.







### **FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

There is no participation fee! All programme costs are covered by organisers. You might want to have some cash to buy a souvenir, local beer or sightseeing outside of schedule. When we go out to bars after dinner you will be expected to pay for your drinks  $\odot$  Participants are obliged to have their free European Health Insurance cards – just in case they need free medical help in Poland. The participants are also themselves responsible to get a travel insurance and any medicines they might need. We provide accident insurance. We will introduce special health interview procedure with all sending organisations to make sure only healthy participants take part. Organisers follow all sanitary instructions and obligations given by local and national authorities.

Transportation costs of all participants will be covered by project budget up to Erasmus+ limits of transportation costs for particular partner countries (look below). Participants will have to buy their tickets from home to Kraków, Poland. We will pay up to limits of transportation costs per country by 1 bank transfer to sending NGO only after you present all return tickets and boarding passes. Please plan your travel in advance and inform us. Please consult with us before purchasing your tickets! Please consult us if you need to use other transport than bus, train, plane! Please provide us with travel plan and preferences of participants at latest 3 weeks prior to the exchange. Total of 2 extra days in Poland are allowed. Extra days (accommodation, meals) need to be paid by participants.

## Limits of transportation costs for partner countries (per person) are:

Portugal, Spain – 360 euro; Italy – 275 euro; Romania, Slovakia – 180 euro.

Please communicate with us actively when scheduling your travel. If possible please be active on facebook and stay in touch with our travel coordinator — Stefan. Further communication will be done via facebook group:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1217291428608205/ so please make sure participants from your NGO are there. You are also welcome to stay in email contact with us with our president and project coordinator — Piotr at: pim.fundation@gmail.com . We are both also looking forward to answering any other questions you might have to make your participation most satisfactory.

As most of you know Kraków is UNESCO city full of history and monuments, also cultural and party life. We strongly recommend that you arrive a day before or stay a day after the exchange to explore this places. We cannot pay for this extra night but we are happy to help you, give guidelines, assist in planning a tour to Auschwitz, Wieliczka salt mine, etc. Allinclusive tickets (bus, tour guide, tickets) for tours to Auschwitz and Wieliczka cost about 35euro with student ID. You can try to arrange such excursions yourself but need to plan it in big advance (limited reservations for entry). During the exchange we will take you for a walking tour in the old town.





### **ACCOMODATION:**

During the seminar we will host you in a small hotel by a beautiful lake in Kraków: <a href="https://www.hornkrakow.pl/osrodek/uslugi-hotelowe/">https://www.hornkrakow.pl/osrodek/uslugi-hotelowe/</a> It is actually a sailing centre, it's possible to swim, they also have a small restaurant, lots of green and many attractions around. It is a few minutes by tram from Old town and Jewish district. All costs related to accommodation, and food (3 meals per day: "breakfast, lunch, dinner") will be covered by project budget as well. All breakfasts and lunches will be served in the hotel, also most of dinners, but maybe one evening we will order a pizza and/or make a barbeque by the lake! Please send us information if you need special diet or have other health/food issues (vegan, allergic, etc). We can't promise but we will try to take care of those needs if we know it in advance (3 weeks earlier). We will have rooms in a hostel standard with 6 toilets & showers (please check pictures) A few minutes' walk from the hotel there is a shop if you need to buy something. Nearby there are usually food trucks, a coffee bar, etc. More practical information we will put later in the facebook group.

### WHAT TO BRING

Small amounts of traditional food and drink to share for national evenings. It would be nice to prepare some interesting presentations of your country, city, region. Try to be original, tell us something which we can't find in the internet © Each group should have at least one laptop, cameras are welcome, cables for uploading, etc. Please gather some information about street art in your coun

### **CONTACT**

For any question, suggestion, or problem connected with project, you can contact with us through our email: pim.fundation@gmail.com, facebook group posts and/or chatting to Stefan on facebook (especially regarding travel and participant details). There will be one more final infopack with updated agenda and meeting details presented on facebook group in last days of August.

# **SEE YOU SOON IN POLAND!!!**



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