

MEET UP! German-Ukrainian Youth Encounters

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2017

Applications for funding must be submitted no later than 11 December 2016

➤ **Content and aim of the programme**

The Foundation “Remembrance, Responsibility and Future” (EVZ), subject to the support of the Federal Foreign Office and the Robert Bosch Foundation, is providing funding for German-Ukrainian youth encounters again in 2017.

The aim of the programme is to intensify relations with Ukraine and to strengthen the active commitment of young people from Germany and Ukraine to fundamental democratic values and understanding between peoples.

German-Ukrainian youth partnerships will be eligible for support. The funding program also allows trilateral encounters with young people and partner organizations from Russia.

➤ **The encounters**

The encounters between the German-Ukrainian or German-Ukrainian-Russian youth groups can take place in Germany and/or in Ukraine. When possible, project encounters should be carried out in both countries. The encounters should be carried out over a period of at least 5 days per encounter (arrival and departure days count as half days).

➤ **Agents of Change**

The encounters should focus on projects carried out by the participants together and independently. In 2017, the motto of the programme will be “Agents of Change”. In early 2014, Ukrainians raised their voices for a self-determined life in a democratic society. Their engagement also provided critical impulses for Europe. What do fundamental democratic rights and European values mean for young people? How can young Europeans assume responsibility and become active within reliable networks while being surrounded by manifold problems and challenges? How can young people strengthen their local activities and maintain their commitment after the conclusion of the project? How do they bring about effective changes for their neighbourhood and societies?

➤ **Project work**

We support projects aiming at bringing about changes for the environment of young people. Participants can deal with political, historical or e.g. ecological topics. We also appreciate

creative ways of expression, such as multi-media, music or theatre projects, films, websites or networking meetings. Encounters of young artists, athletes, or other occupational groups can also be supported. Please contact us if you have further ideas!

➤ Who can take part?

Young people and young adults between the ages of 16 and 35 from Germany, Ukraine and Russia are eligible to take part in the projects. Projects may have a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 20 participants per country.

➤ Who can receive funding?

Applications may be submitted by individuals or legal entities from Germany or Ukraine operating in the following areas: youth work, higher education institutions such as universities and other educational institutions, student associations, sports associations, cultural initiatives, etc.

All *grant recipients* must be legal entities from Germany and Ukraine, for example educational institutions, universities or associations.

➤ What will be funded?

Support will be provided for travel expenses, costs of accommodation and meals, personnel costs, and costs of materials and equipment needed to develop and present the project results or products.

The amount of funding will depend on the number of the participants from Germany and Ukraine (and if applicable, Russia), and the nature of the planned measures.

Projects will be provided with so-called shortfall funding. This means that the Foundation will cover expenses that can not be covered by the applicant's own funds or third-party funds. It is required that applicants will contribute funds from their own resources or acquire third-party funding.

➤ What will not be funded?

- Encounters among participants from only one country, e. g. Germany or Ukraine,
- Projects which have already begun,
- Encounters that do not involve project work (e. g. visitor programmes, attendance at presentations or lectures, congresses, relief transports, humanitarian assistance, etc.)

➤ Applications

Applications will initially be accepted subject to approval of the provision of third-party funding by the Federal Foreign Office.

Applications can be submitted in either German or English to be received by the Foundation by **11 December 2016** at the latest. There is no legal claim for funding.

Projects can not start earlier than 1 May 2017 and have to be concluded by 30.04.2018.

Please make sure to use the application form and the form for the cost and financing plan provided, sign the form and send it together with all attachments (by post, fax or e-mail) to:

Foundation “Remembrance, Responsibility and Future“

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Even if you have sent the application by fax or e-mail (scanned), please send **a signed original copy by post** to the address listed above.

➤ Approvals procedure

The Foundation “Remembrance, Responsibility and Future“ is eager to support as many initiatives and associations in Germany and Ukraine as possible, within the limitations of available funding.

German applicants will receive grants on the basis of written notifications of approval; in the case of Ukrainian applicants, contracts will be entered into. Contracts are written in German. Courtesy translations into Ukrainian and Russian can be made available.

In order to implement projects eligible for funding without delay, the Foundation can approve the advance commencement of projects if required. This does not create a legal claim for funding.

➤ Disbursement procedure

Payment of the approved funding will be made within a period of four weeks after receipt of a call for disbursement, which is a constituent part of the notification of approval or contract.

➤ **Evidence of the use of funds**

A report on the use of funds must be presented two months after the conclusion of the project. It includes a narrative report, a financial report, a participant list, and, if available, the project result or product. The corresponding documents/templates will be sent to you together with the notification of approval or the contract.

➤ **Information on projects funded in 2014-2016**

Meet up! Projects on www.facebook.com/meetup.evz
www.stiftung-evz.de/meetup

➤ **Queries and advice**

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