FAMILY MATTERS!

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE 5th WORKSHOP OF THE EUROPEAN YOUTH INITIATIVE FOR FUTURE FAMILIES

Lisbon, Portugal, 28 June to 1 July 2018

The National Association of Large Families of Hungary (commonly referred to as NOE in Hungarian) is pleased to announce the fifth workshop of the EUROPEAN YOUTH INITIATIVE FOR FUTURE FAMILIES, which will take place in Lisbon, Portugal between 28 June - 1 July 2018. This will be the fifth edition of the European Youth Workshops series (after Budapest, February 2016; Brussels, October 2016; Budapest, May 2017; and Warsaw, October 2017), under the new name “European Youth Initiative for Future Families” (EYIFF).

The workshop is being organised in cooperation with the Associação Portuguesa de Famílias Numerosas (APFN), the Portuguese Association of Large Families.

The participants of the first workshop declared that “Families are Europe’s treasure, and are the future in a country”. Since then, this statement has become the motto of our work. Our workshops are centered around the values, challenges, psychological aspects, policy-making and career-related issues of family as seen today and visioned for the future. The workshop gives a forum to young participants to speak about their thoughts regarding family and their future, and to express how they would like to accomplish their hopes concerning their own family lives. They have the opportunity to discuss what family policies are needed on the political side to develop a positive view of the role of the family as one of the best investments of society into the future. The event also gives a great opportunity for networking and making friends all over Europe.

This time the program will have a special focus on the role of digitalization and media, as well as their impact on families. A proactive attitude, willingness to work hard, and open-mindedness are essential to the success of the event. The working language of the EYIFF is English, thus a high command of English is required.
Successful applicants should:

- be aged from 20 to 35,
- speak fluent English (at least B2 level),
- have great interest in family-related issues and tendencies,
- be determined to work hard during the workshop,
- be convinced that their voice matters in shaping the future of families,
- be - preferably - a citizen of a European country (not necessarily within the EU).

We wish to welcome new participants to our workshop in Lisbon to reach as many young people as possible. Those who have previously participated in at least two of our former workshops are invited to submit their application to become “group leaders” (to be indicated in the application form).

EXPENSES

The following expenses of successful applicants will be covered by the organisers:

- Accommodation in Lisbon (3 nights);
- Meals during the workshop (3 times per day); and
- Costs of all official social programs.

The following expenses should be covered by the participants:

- Participants are required to pay a €30 registration fee (to be paid upon arrival in Lisbon);
- Participants are requested to arrange and finance their travel to Lisbon on their own. However, we offer need-based cover of travel costs to a limited number of participants.
- Cost of local public transportation.

Participants of the 4th workshop in the Polish Senat, Warsaw, October 2017
APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Fill in the online application form. (If clicking the link does not work, please copy and paste the following link into your browser: https://goo.gl/forms/yU2codrlQ1u9sHG3.)
- Send the following to our email address in ONE letter: international@noe.hu
  1. CV (in Europass format)
  2. Letter of motivation; specifying what you expect from the program and how you can contribute to the success of the event (max. 1 page);
  3. Short homemade video, sharing your opinion about one of the following topics:
     a. Family and digitalization: does it create proximity or distance?
     b. Constraints and benefits of having a family in today’s world
     c. The responsibility of the media in the change of mindset concerning families

Remember that it is not the quality but the content of your video that counts. Try to explicate your opinion in detail and be creative. Feel free to record your video by your mobile phone. Your video should not be longer than 3 minutes.

Application deadline: 20 April 2018. Late applications will not be considered. Applicants will be informed about the selection results not later than 30 April.

The National Association of Large Families of Hungary wishes a successful application.

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