

# *CROSSING THE BORDERS!!*

When: 9-19 October 2015

Where: Genova, Italy

Who: 7 participants 18-25 y.o. + 1 leader 18+

APV proposal: 4-6 September 2015 with the leaders in Genova

As nowadays borders are becoming more ephemeral, we want to express the feeling of being stranger in a new place by means of art (music, theatre, scenic design and video). Besides, crossing the borders isn't only about a physical move or change: indeed, what we want to show is the state of the mind when we interact with other cultures – particularly in the interaction with other people.

By “Crossing the borders” we want to realise a youth exchange based on intercultural learning through art. We chose art as a learning tool of cultural differences and similarities as art is a mean of communication where language is no longer a barrier. Through art we express emotions and feelings that are always the same; regardless the language or culture, and therefore everybody can understand them.

It would be really important to involve leader with some artistic skills so that they can help in the workshop.

According with the capabilities of the artistic trainers each national group should select all participants with a specific interest in at list one of the disciplines. Ideally each group should be composed for example of 2 people interested in music (such as drums or percussions), 2 people in theatre or contemporary dance, 2 people in scenic design and 2 people in video; in this way each workshop will be characterized by multiculturalism, tolerance and mind openness.

The entire project will be embedded in the Electropark Festival, an important event of electronic music organized by our partner <http://www.forevergreen.fm> with the support of Genoa Municipality. The youth exchange will start the same day as the Festival when each national group will perform on the stage. The participants will show the result of the project on the main stage during the last day of the Festival. They will be also involved in the promotion of the Festival and by giving open workshops to the locals.

The Festival would be in the new dates, that's the reason why we need to move the project before the previous dates.

## Methods:

integration games, group dynamic, artistic workshops, small group work, reflection groups, sport activities (warm-up), intercultural nights, debates, discussions, presentations, improvisations, performance.

## Main goals:

- intercultural learning;
- raising the awareness of tolerance and openness;
- promote Erasmus+ and learning mobility opportunities;
- promote electronic music as an art and art as a learning tool for intercultural learning;
- expression of ourselves through art;
- searching for European Identity;
- interaction and involvement of local community (open workshops);
- active involvement of participants in all the stages of the project.

Participation fee: 25,00€

See you soon in Italy!!!! 😊

