



Erasmus+  
Enriching lives, opening minds.

# MEDIA PHILOSOPHY POLITICS

International  
training course

**Infopack**

**1st stage:** 10. - 17.1. 2025, Czech Republic

**2nd stage:** April/May 2025, Kosovo

# ABOUT THE PROJECT



In the words of Tomas Garrigue Masaryk, "Democracy is a discussion," highlighting the importance of informed and open dialogue in a healthy democratic society. However, in today's digital age, the rise of selective exposure and social media, driven information bubbles hindering has led to increased polarization, constructive discourse.

Our international project aims to tackle this challenge by equipping participants with the skills needed for informed and open discussions. We focus on key contemporary political topics, including feminism, democracy, justice, and political ideology. By providing participants with comprehensive insights and fostering critical thinking, we aim to promote understanding and tolerance of diverse viewpoints.

The project unfolds in two phases: First, participants acquire critical thinking skills as a foundation. Then, they delve into political philosophy and media freedom, exploring these topics in the context of contemporary politics and everyday life.

## OBJECTIVES

### **Critical thinking and debates**

Debates will play a crucial role during our training course. Being able to present opinion without logical fallacies and with tolerance and at the same time being able to critically evaluate opinions of the others – all of that will improve participants soft skills.

### Political science and journalism knowledge

We will explore different topics offering theoretical knowledge of key concepts of this course.

### Project

Participants will create their own project where they will practice argumentation, writing and working with resources.



# WORDS FROM TRAINERS



As a graduatee from political science and journalism, this topic is my passion. I am looking forward for deep discussion on various topics, sharing different point od views. I have experience with media literacy education for more than 5 years and I cannot wait for this training course.

Political Sciences and Law graduate, currently working on a PhD in Law and Technology. I like to discuss various topics concerning society. I have experience teaching media literacy, media law, and human rights in informal education settings and at the university.

I am looking forward to meeting you all and sharing ideas.



# PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS



Young people that are open minded and willing to contribute to a critical discussion.

The main target group are youth workers who want to improve their skills to discuss and also gain the knowledge about political philosophy and journalism and its applicability to their work.

- aspire to deep dive into the realm of philosophy, media studies and political science
- seek to initiate philosophical projects within their countries,
- have actively participated in youth work and are willing to share their experiences,
- demonstrate the courage to establish debating initiatives in their communities or countries,
- have prior involvement with student organizations, projects, or voluntary organizations,
- have only limited knowledge of philosophy and are willing to study and think on their own,
- are keenly interested in philosophical exploration, critical thinking, and the pursuit of wisdom,
- are enthusiastic about innovative methods of education, non-formal learning, and the implementation of modern teaching techniques,
- maintain proficiency in English communication,
- fall within the age range of 18 to 35 years old.

## NUMBERS OF PARTICIPANTS

Czech Republic	Fakescape, Genesis	4
Kosovo	Youth Center Drenas	4
Spain	Jóvenes Viajeros	4
Greece	Be Visible Be YOU	4
Lebanon	Young Women Christian Association	4
Georgia	Non-Formal Educational House	4

If you have any questions, contact your sending organization or Genesis.



# ACCOMMODATION



## 1ST STAGE

The 1st stage of the project will take place in the Czech Republic in Kubasova chalupa ([www.kubasovachalupa.cz](http://www.kubasovachalupa.cz))

Where we will have an opportunity to explore the real Czech beauty and also you will have a perfect space for the learning process.



## 2ND STAGE

The 2nd stage of the project will take place in Kosovo. We will share more information after the 1st stage.

# INTERNATIONAL COFFEE BREAKS

Each national group will present their country and prepare one coffee break where you can share your typical food, snacks and drinks with others.

You can also sing a song, dance traditional dance, explain traditions, etc. over a cup of coffee or tea.



# TRAVEL INFORMATION



PLEASE REMEMBER, ONLY THE MOST ECONOMICAL TRANSPORTATION WILL BE REIMBURSED.

**\*You can take 2 extra days before or after the project.\***

Country	Standard budget	Green budget
Czech Republic	60 EUR	60 EUR
Kosovo	245 EUR	290 EUR
Spain	245 EUR	290 EUR
Greece	245 EUR	290 EUR
Lebanon	245 EUR	290 EUR
Georgia	330 EUR	380 EUR

**30 EUR will be used for the local transportation in the Czech Republic.**

Accommodation, transportation and food will be fully covered with the support of Erasmus+ programme.

**The travel costs will be reimbursed for the cheapest and direct way of transport** and only under the condition that the participant will take part in the whole project. **The travel costs will be reimbursed according to amounts stated in the chart.**

It is necessary for the participants to have travel health insurance (this is not covered by the project).

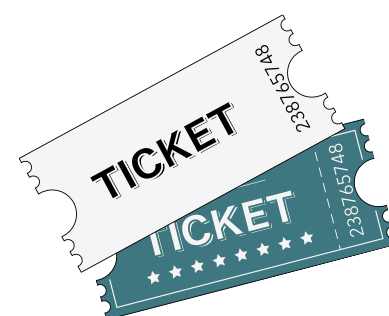
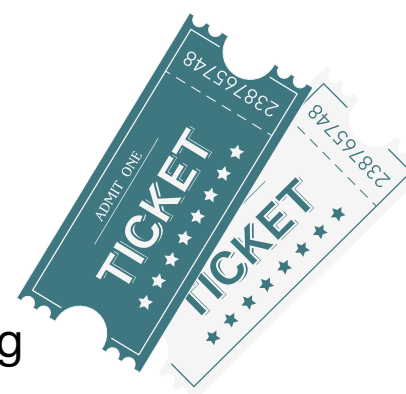
You can take 2 extra day before or after the project. However, we would like to ask you to look for **flights that will be arriving NO later than 1:30pm on January 8, 2025.** So you have enough time to reach the meeting point. And **returning flights that will be NOT before 2pm January 17, 2025.**

REMEMBER to send us a proposal of your tickets before buying them.

**It is necessary that we will APPROVE them first!**

**Keep invoices of the purchases and boarding passes and tickets so we can reimburse them for you.**

The Erasmus+ program offers **Green Travel Support** for people travelling to their destination using sustainable modes of transport - car-pooling, a bus or a train. To qualify for Green Travel Support, you must use sustainable means of transport for at least half of your journey (outward and return). With Green Travel **you will receive a higher travel allowance**, and the funded travel duration **will be increased** from maximum of 2 days to **maximum of 5 days.**



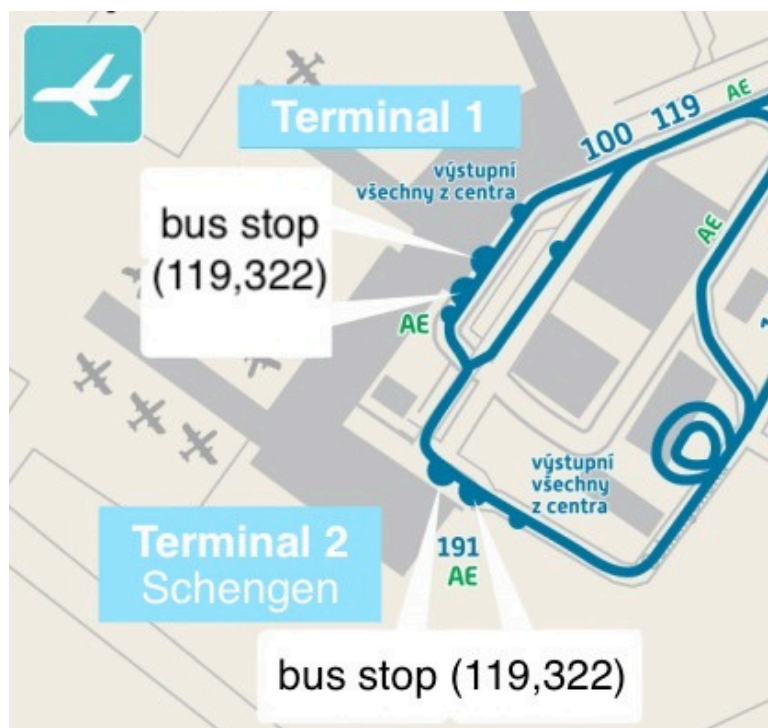
# MEETING POINT



The meeting point will be in front of the main train station in Choceň, by the entrance into the building on January 8, 2024 at 5pm.



## Two ways to get from the airport to the Prague train station:



- 01** Buses **199** or **322** go from terminal 1 or terminal 2 to Nádraží Veleslavín. Where you need to switch to Metro green line A and get off at the stop **Muzeum**. From here it is either 5 minutes walk to the train station or switch to Metro red line C and continue 1 more stop to Hlavní Nádraží. You can buy 40-minute ticket at the bus stop in the ticket vending machine.
- 02** You can take **AE bus** which will take you straight to the Prague main train station. The ticket costs 100 czk and you can buy it from the bus driver, it is possible to pay in cash or by a card.

## Train connections:

From Vienna Main Train Station to Choceň [HERE](#)

From Prague Main Train Station to Choceň [HERE](#)



# REIMBURSEMENT



**PLEASE, KEEP ALL THE INVOICES, BOARDING PASSES, TICKETS, ETC. IN ORIGINAL FORM IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF YOUR TRAVEL EXPENSES.**

We will reimburse your costs via bank transfer.

Keep your travel documents in e-version if possible that can be easily sent by email, please.

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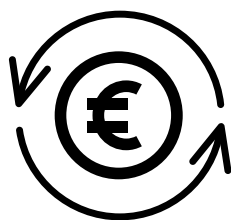
Don't buy anything without Genesis approval, only the most economical and direct way of travel will be reimbursed.

02

Presence during whole project is obligatory for reimbursement.

03

Collect and keep all invoices, tickets, boarding passes to be eligible for reimbursement.



**The participation fee is 50 EUR.**  
The fee will be paid on each stage in cash.

# PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS



Genesis is a Czech non-governmental organization with a long tradition and simple philosophy.

TO KNOW IS TO GROW.

Genesis provides individual and group trainings. At Genesis, we support all efforts to learn because the more we experience, the better off we all become.

Our goal is to help individuals and companies to receive training that is not only great but also socially responsible.

We believe that innovation in education helps employees, employers, and society as a whole to sustainably grow and develop.



We teach media literacy. Interactively. Using game-based activities.

We are teaching students and public how to reveal fake news, think critically, and how to verify the information via gamified workshops. We have also workshops on cyber security and we developed card game focused on journalism and media. Our goal is to teach in a more entertaining way using games and non formal education methods.

# HOW TO APPLY



Each sending organization will nominate participants for the selection process. The final number of the selected participants per country will be confirmed by the applicant organization Genesis.

## APPLICATION FORM

<https://forms.gle/93ZeQo3LPnM7vp8u9>



In order to apply, we ask you to send us a short video where you will answer 2 questions and fill an online form.



### Questions:

1. What is the relationship between politics and media in your country?
2. What is the most important political topic that we should pay more attention to?

## DEADLINES:

**For filling application form: 10.11.2024**

**For purchasing tickets: 1.12.2024**



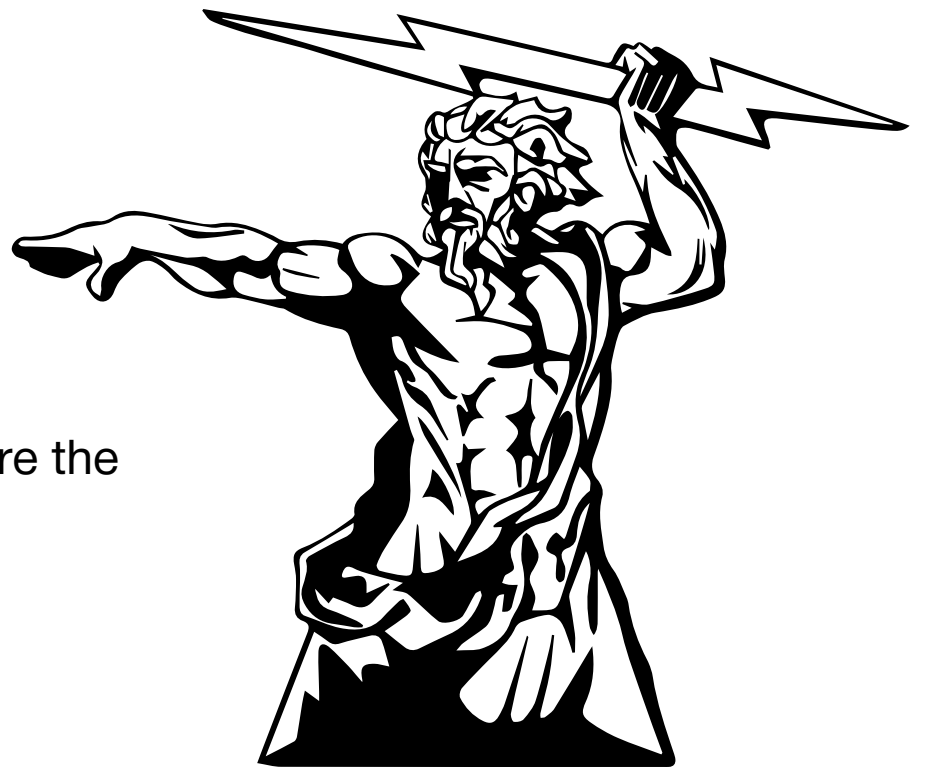
# WEATHER & WHAT TO BRING



## WEATHER

In January, the average temperatures in Olomouc are between 5°C and 0°C.

January in Olomouc can be rainy and snowy so we recommend that you check the weather forecast before the departure and adjust your selection of clothes to it.



## WHAT TO BRING

### **Original boarding passes/tickets**

Passport/ID card, health insurance

Warm comfortable clothes, warm jacket or coat

Cozy sweater and hoodie

Gloves and hat

Slippers to wear inside

**Water bottle** - let's stay ECO

Hygiene care, any medicine that you use or might need

Each national team is welcomed to bring food and drinks typical for their countries to share on the intercultural coffee breaks

# CONTACT



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