

The profile of participants

- 7 person from each involved country (Italy, Romania, Turkey and the Netherlands); the structure should be **6 participants + 1 group leader** according Erasmus+ rules
- Age 18 – 24 years old
- Creative
- Interested in nature
- Interested in work with animals
- Interested in work with children
- Interested in rural development
- Not scared of any work
- Cold resistant



The place

The project “The magic of old traditions” will be held in Drogeham, the Netherlands province



Friesland. The participants will be accommodated on the educational biofarm Hamster Mieden. In village are shops to cover the needs of all participants.

The place for accommodation consists of 5 rooms with 8 beds – please tell the participants that they should take their sleeping bags; some blankets and pillows are also available. There are 2 WCs and 2 showers for boys and same number for girls; there is a dining room and kitchen for cooking.

The breakfasts and lunch will be prepared by organizational staff. **The participants will have a responsibility for cooking dinners:** each participating nation two times during the project.

Please recommend to select that the youth exchange is at the end of February, so they should take warm clothes and good working shoes. Some water boots are available on the farm. The working gloves are reserved, but it is important to bring clothes which can get dirty during the activities.

Arrival 16th February 2015

- Please try to be at time 12 – 13 in Drogeham on the farm Hamster Mieden, De Burroen 66.

How to get there? Depends on your flight and the group arrival time... So this is an area for discussion for the moment.

- If you are altogether (the whole national group) in Leeuwarden at a time we agree upon from before, we pick you up by a rent microbus.
- If your arrival time will be different, we ask you to take the bus number 13 from Leeuwarden; take off at the first stop in Drogeham, where the organizers will wait for you; bus costs 5 euros (one way and per person).
- If you're planning to fly to Groningen, the best way is from Groningen central railway station; take off in Buitenpost, there you will be picked up by car, or microbus, depends on how many people/ groups will be there; train costs 5,10 euros per person/ one way ticket.

Tuesday 17th February 2015

- Since we're planning to involve a local primary school, the visit there is planned for afternoon, from 14:00 to 15.30. The participants should prepare some easy and entertaining form of introducing themselves and their country of origin (in English, but translation from your mother language to English can be provided if needed). The final image we would like to let on the participants.

The main task of all participating groups will be to prepare the Ash Parade in Drogeham, which will be held on 23th February in the morning. The participants are supposed to prepare

some funny masks. The important point is not religion, but the social linkages between the rural area and the international context. The preparation will be done every afternoon, from Wednesday till Friday, and Sunday in the morning.

Wednesday 18th – Saturday 21st February 2015

- The morning programme these days will be very similar. Participants will be divided into 2 main groups. The task for first group will be taking care of farm animals (feeding and taking care of them, cleaning cages). The second group will cut the trees and move them. The work isn't so hard and dangerous how it looks like written here. But also needs a little bit of physical power. All blocks will last 1,5 hour and 2 hours with 0,5 hour between each block for rest and coffee break.

Thursday 19th February 2015

- In the afternoon a meeting will be held with cooperation organization about protecting nature and working with the wood.
- In the evening meeting with another cooperating organization "Young Bird Watch" will be done, showing birds in the project area and movie night (with nature having as topic).

Saturday 21st February 2015

- Afternoon visiting an observatory in Burgum.

Sunday 22nd February 2015

- Afternoon visiting Planetarium in Franeker.

Monday 23rd February 2015

- The ash carnival in Drogeham from 9:00 – 13:00.

Tuesday 24th February 2015

- Leaving day: the participants can leave after 9 o'clock but everything depends on their flights; organization staff would be grateful for any help with cleaning the accommodation.

Some useful links:

www.9292.nl

www.ns.nl

www.hamstermieden.nl

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Hamster-Mieden/760805463945989?ref=hl>