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7th - 13th of September 2009



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Balkan Youth and Sport Forum 2009

Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina



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You are invited to participate in the **Balkan Youth and Sport Forum 2009 - BYSF '09**. The forum will gather over 45 participants from across the Balkan region to discuss the role of youth in sport. Built around the current youth agenda in south-east Europe, the forum will put forward its perspectives on the role of youth in sport.

Themes

BYSF '09 will include the following themes:

- **youth participation,**
- **democratic citizenship and**
- **non-formal education through sport.**

Objectives of the forum

The BYSF '09 gives young people the opportunity to meet in an international environment and:

- Support youth leaders in discovering innovative ways of participating in decision-making processes in their own clubs and organization structures
- Support youth leaders in promoting democratic structures in local clubs and associations
- Provides non-formal education for youth leaders
- Produce of declaration in order to share the ideas at local, national or international level.

A declaration for the future

The BYSF will canalize the perspectives of young people in sport & youth in a written declaration:

The declaration of the Balkan Youth and Sport Forum 2009 will consist of ideas, actions and recommendations of the participants on developing the youth and sport policies in the south-east Europe region. It is a document reflecting the thoughts and beliefs of the European youngsters involved in sports. Examples of good practise carried out by the participants in their home countries are included in the declaration.

The declaration's content is the result of a European ambition for cooperation with the countries on and around the Balkan.



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Participants

Participants should be:

- between 18-30 years old
- experienced in local club or leadership activity
- involved in volunteer activities
- bring some experience in youth, community or sport involvement to the BYSF '09
- represent an organization from the Balkan region (locally or nationally)
- show motivation to be part of an international learning experience

The priority will be given to applicants from the following countries: **Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia and Slovenia.** We will accept a number of applicants from other Council of Europe countries.

The working language will be English. Applicants are requested to have **good knowledge of English.**

Methodology of the Forum

The forum will be based on the principles and practice of non-formal education and is conceived to allow a learner-centered approach taking into account the needs, interests and the experiences of participants.

Through the use of Open Space Technology participants will be empowered to influence the agenda and the outcomes of the forum. Participants will have the opportunity to make personal contributions and will be encouraged to organize follow-up projects after the BYSF '09 and thereby transfer the new gained knowledge to young people in their community and organizations.

Date and venue

The BYSF '09 will take place from the **7th – 13th of September 2009**

in the capital of Bosnia & Herzegovina, Sarajevo.

The BYSF '09 will be held at "Hollywood Hotel".

The hotel is situated in the centre of Ilidža, a green oasis of Sarajevo, near the main road and very close to the Sarajevo International Airport and the spring of river Bosnia, unique jewel of genuine nature.

For more information, please visit

www.hotel-hollywood.com.ba



Apply for the BYSF '09

Cost of participation

Participation is free along with a contribution towards travel expenses (see below).

The organizers will provide accommodation and food. Travel expenses will be refunded according to the following model:

Participants traveling from:
Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo, Serbia max: 70 €
Slovenia or Croatia max. 100 €
Macedonia, Albania or Romania max. 120 €
All other Council of Europe countries max. 200€

The organizers will need to see all original tickets and receipts to enable a refund.

We encourage participants to make use of the cheapest method of travel possible.

How to apply

To apply for a place on the Balkan Youth and Sport forum 2009, please register online via following this link

:<http://www.isca-web.org/english/events/balkanyouthandsportforum2009>

All participants are asked to carefully fill in the online application form.

Deadline

Please note that the **deadline for applications** is the **31st of July 2009**.

Applications coming after this date cannot be accepted. On the basis of the applications received ISCA will take a final decision on accepted applicants.

Confirmation of participation will be sent to participants latest by the **4th of August 2009**.

Contact

For further questions please contact ISCA project officer Kasper Mølgaard. km@isca-web.org

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