

Open Call for participants!

“The Cycle of Resilience – Building an Inclusive Post-Pandemic Recovery”

ESU is proud to announce a call for participants of a series of activities within The Cycle of Resilience – Building an Inclusive Post-Pandemic Recovery’ supported by The Council of Europe

Are you passionate about **social inclusion** and **civic engagement** and wish to learn more about this in a series of workshops and training activities? We’re looking to bring together a **diverse, intercultural group of young people** to join us to *The Cycle of Resilience – Building an Inclusive Post-Pandemic Recovery’*, a series of workshops that aims to welcome anyone and everyone who wishes to increase its knowledge on youth participation and resilient recovery from Covid-19 and are willing to bring it back to their organization – high levels of expertise on the topics are NOT required, our training workshops will be conscious of the diverse abilities of our participants!

The activities are being organized by the European Students Union (ESU) supported by the Youth Department of the Council of Europe and are dedicated to representatives or active students from national student’s unions or representatives of youth organizations with a focus on very different topics (inclusion, civic engagement, activism, etc..) and who are interested in becoming facilitators.

If you are a student and want to **learn more about social inclusion and civic engagement**, have the chance to **implement your project through a small grant**, have a look at our program:

FULL PROGRAMME Structure

1. Model of Resilience – Kick-off a Journey! March 2022

Applications are now open!

The first activity will be a training course aiming to improve participants’ knowledge on a different set of social inclusion topics, including social rights, youth participation, democratic citizenship, human rights.

2. Shape of Resilience – Take a step forward – Training for becoming an Activist – May 2022

The second activity will support participants in building their own project or action through training on the creation, implementation, and realization of projects. ESU will

provide participants with a small grant to implement a mini-project that will foster social inclusion of underrepresented groups.

3. Seeds of Resilience – Decentralised Actions – May–October 2022 (period to implement the projects, no training or meetings foreseen)

After the practical training, participants will set up their own project or action to help build a more inclusive and resilient recovery in their own communities by fostering social inclusion.

4. Fruits of the resilience seeds – November 2022

The last training course will give participants the opportunity to present their projects and share good practices with the public, including civil society organizations in sharing space in Brussels.

How to apply:

The application must be made in English, and it will take you less than 10 minutes! But remember that there are only 25 spots available. With this form, you will apply to the first activity of the program (1. Model of Resilience – Kick-off a journey!), but we will need to know whether you are interested in the entire program or just one activity. It is not mandatory to participate in all the activities, but we might prioritize those who will be interested in the whole cycle of activities.

1. Model of Resilience – Kick-off a Journey!

When? The first activity, 'Model of Resilience – Kick-off a Journey!', will take place in March 12th, 13th, 14th 2022. Participants are expected to arrive on the 11th of March and depart on the 15th of March.

Who? 25 participants from the 47 member states of the Council of Europe and parties to the European Cultural Convention (Belarus, Holy See, and Kazakhstan)

Where? Malta. See below for Covid-19.

Theme? Social rights, youth participation, democratic citizenship, human rights.

Cost? Accommodation, meals, program, and travel costs covered by ESU.

Deadline? 18 February, 23:59h CET (Central European Time Zone).

Apply [here](#), It's as easy as that!

Are you motivated, eager to learn, and ready to travel to Malta? Apply now!

What is the 'Training Course: 'Model of Resilience - Kick-off a Journey!'" about?

The Training Course aims to lead participants towards innovative and effective tools for addressing topics such as social civil rights, types of **youth participation, democratic citizenship, human rights**, and also to understand and map the needs of the participants and their community realities affected by the **Covid-19 pandemic**.

This activity will lay out the foundation for the upcoming activities by educating participants on the **real impact the pandemic** has had on different underrepresented students while also providing them with the knowledge and tools needed to lead an **inclusive and resilient recovery**. The activity will also address students' learning and the importance of **emotional and community support** as an introduction to the second activity.

25 participants will be selected based on the received application forms.

Profile of the participants:

- 18-30 years old.
- A good level of English language knowledge.
- Want to be actively involved in workshops and activities for the entire duration of the session.
- With an experience of youth/student representation and civic participation.
- Participants should be willing to share what they have learned in their member organisation or communities following the study session.
- Interested in participating in the whole Cycle, or/and implementing an activity, or/and eager to be part of the ESU's Pool of Trainers.

- Must be open to participating in a group of culturally and gender diverse individuals that may have various backgrounds (refugees/Roma/LGBT+/youths with disabilities).

Practical information:

100% of the expenses relevant to participation (program, international travel, accommodation, meals, and transportation within the city during the event) are covered by the host organization. Participants must save all receipts for items they wish to have reimbursed. ESU will reimburse all expenses (travel, food, accommodation and visa costs) at the end of the session.

The speed of the money appearing in your account depends on the currencies, your bank, if all the receipts are present and the workload of ESU's team, but we will prioritize fully completed reimbursement forms so you receive your money as soon as possible! :-)

Participants need to be present for the whole duration of the study session to be reimbursed.

Special needs:

Upon the request of participants, special assistance can be provided, ensuring the accessibility of the training session. Please indicate any special assistance needed in your application form.

Covid-19:

Even though we are incredibly excited to welcome you all to Malta for our Training Course, the health and safety of all participants remain our highest priority. If the situation in Europe – and especially in the host country Malta– continues to be worrying at best, we will have to decide to move the Study Session online. And if that's the case, we promise to do our best to recreate the event as we originally imagined it!

If the COVID situation will allow for our training course to be held in person, all safety measures needed will be put into place including wearing masks, eating in designated areas, single rooms, etc. We are figuring this out as the situation advances and we will communicate clearly to all selected participants the measures taken.

Deadline for applying:

Candidates should complete the online application and submit it no later than the x of February! You can find the application form [here](#).

If you require assistance in completing the form or need an alternative format, please feel free to send an email to tiziana.fantucchio@esu-online.org.

We are looking forward to receiving your applications! :)

Participants will be selected based upon their motivation and how well they meet the criteria of the ideal participant profile above. Successful applicants will be notified by email.