

## Call for facilitators

### **Complementary European activities and guidance for European participants in the framework of Europe@DJHT at the 18th German Child and Youth Welfare Congress (DJHT)**

As the National Agency for the EU funding programmes Erasmus+ Youth, Erasmus+ Sport and European Solidarity Corps, JUGEND für Europa contributes to the realisation of the EU's objectives in the areas of Youth and Sport.

Our target groups are all young people, professionals, and organisations from the fields of Youth, Engagement, and Sport. Our main areas of activity are the promotion of non-formal and informal education and cross-border learning mobility, supporting youth and engagement policy cooperation, and the further development of youth work. We also strengthen the European idea in German grassroots sport.

The people at JUGEND für Europa are committed to an inclusive and participatory Europe that enables a decent life for all; that is solidary, peaceful, democratic, based on the rule of law, open, social, sustainable and in which diversity is perceived as an enrichment.

### **Background information**

The Child and Youth Welfare Association (AGJ) organises a German Child and Youth Welfare Congress (DJHT) every three or four years, with the first such event taking place in 1964. Attendance is free of charge. The DJHT is the biggest national meet-up of its kind in the child and youth welfare community and related fields of activity in Europe.

This three-day event is attended by around 30 000 experts and other interested individuals from all over Germany to exchange opinions, ideas, and experiences and to strengthen networks. The agenda features a wide range of events by researchers and practitioners representing many different perspectives, making the DJHT an ideal place for experts to learn and develop. Moreover, the DJHT provides an in-depth insight into current theoretical and practical debates in the child and youth welfare community and related fields of activity (such as health, school, law, employment, etc.). The audience is just as diverse attracting social workers, scouts, day-care teachers, outreach workers, youth welfare office directors, high-ranking ministry representatives, policymakers, and researchers.

The DJHT is a fixture in the calendar for all experts, whether volunteers or full-time employees, who work with and for young people and their families. It makes a valuable contribution towards assisting children and young people in growing up successfully, while also helping the child and youth welfare community develop and evolve. The DJHT comprises two complementary components, a conference with around 200 events and an exhibition space with around 200 exhibitors from the field, each with their own multi-faceted, diverse, informative, and creative agendas.

In recent editions, the DJHT has been extended to include a European dimension, **Europe@DJHT**, to appeal to a broader and more international expert audience and encourage a more international debate on current issues and trends in the child and youth welfare field. The European programme is fully integrated into the DJHT conference and exhibition. It incorporates around 30 European or international events within the conference programme and a “European marketplace” within the exhibition, where European and international youth work actors and organisations are presenting and informing about their work. Additionally, other complementary activities around the exhibition and an evening programme are organised for European participants.

Europe@DJHT is jointly organised by The Child and Youth Welfare Association (AGJ) and JUGEND für Europa, the National Agency (Germany) for the EU programmes Erasmus+ Youth, Erasmus+ Sport and European Solidarity Corps. Around 100 European participants are expected to attend the DJHT. For them, Europe@DJHT offers the opportunity to take part in and contribute to interesting discussions on current topics, combined with the unique possibility to dive into and gain deep insights into the German child and youth welfare system and community. To support this experience, JUGEND für Europa organises additional activities for the selected European participants, providing guidance and additional insights before, during, and after the DJHT.

## Request for quotation

JUGEND für Europa is looking for two facilitators to develop and facilitate complementary European activities, providing guidance and learning for European participants, in the framework of Europe@DJHT at the 18th German Child and Youth Welfare Congress. It takes place from 13 to 15 May 2025 in Leipzig, Germany.

## Tasks and desired profile

We are seeking two facilitators to develop and implement additional activities in collaboration with the team of JUGEND für Europa and to provide guidance and support to European participants at the DJHT.

### Specifically, the tasks include:

- To develop the activities for European participants at Europe@DJHT (on the spot activities, such as workshops on arrival days, guided tours of the exhibition, additional talks, information point, a potential European get together evening, ...) in close cooperation with the team of JUGEND für Europa;
- To facilitate and supervise the implementation of these activities during the DJHT event in Leipzig, Germany from 13 to 15 May 2025;
- To prepare and draft the info-pack for European participants in close cooperation with the team of JUGEND für Europa;
- To design and execute online formats for pre-event and post-event engagement, including preparation and reflection sessions;
- To participate in several online meetings with the team of JUGEND für Europa between August 2024 and June 2025

### Desired profile:

- Demonstrated experience in designing, planning, and facilitating activities in English within the European or international youth work field, both in-person and online (45 %);

- Ability to manage and engage participants from diverse backgrounds, encouraging active participation and networking (40 %);
- Proficiency in German and/or knowledge of the Leipzig region for direct communication with event organisers and stakeholders as well as cooperation with the youth work sector in the region are an additional asset (15 %)

Candidates are required to have knowledge of youth work and youth policy in Europe and fluency in English, both spoken and written.

## Expectations, timeframe, and remuneration

The designing and planning as well as the organisation and implementation of the activities will take place in close cooperation with the JUGEND für Europa team. A willingness to engage in regular dialogue with the event team is essential, as is the ability to respond flexibly when circumstances change at short notice. The preparatory and follow-up process will include taking part in online meetings. The cooperation will run from July 2024 until June 2025.

An amount of 12 working days (per person) is estimated for the fulfilment of the tasks:

- 3 working days for planning online formats, developing the on-site programme, and compiling activity information;
- 4 working days for on-site facilitation at the DJHT event;
- 2 working days for facilitating online sessions (for participant preparation and reflection);
- 3 working days in total for meetings (preparation, feedback loops, adjustments, evaluation) and general communication with the team of JUGEND für Europa

The selected facilitators will each receive a remuneration of 3 960 € upon completion of all tasks, based on an estimated 12 days of work. The daily rate is in line with SALTO standards and may be adjusted if SALTO increases its rates during the contract period.

Candidates can apply by filling in the following application form: <http://onlineform.salto-youth.net/2083>

The deadline for applying is 19 May 2024. The selection results are expected to be communicated in the first week of June.

If you have any questions, please contact Alicia Holzschuh, coordinator of Europe@DJHT at JUGEND für Europa, at the following e-mail address: [djht@jfemail.de](mailto:djht@jfemail.de)

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