

## ADRIATIC IONIAN Youth Organisations FORUM<sup>4</sup>

### “Youth skills for an innovative, sustainable and inclusive Adriatic Ionian Region”

Back-to-back to the Conference “Sustainable Tourism as a strategic driver for the  
responsible and inclusive growth of the Adriatic Ionian Region and its mountain  
areas”

24 January 2023

Meeting venue: BUSHI Resort & SPA, Old Bazaar,  
1000, Skopje, North Macedonia

**[REGISTRATION LINK](#)**  
**[Online meeting \(MS Teams\)](#)**

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*Working languages: English, Macedonian*

**10:00-10:15**                      **REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

**10:15-10:45**                      **YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AS PART OF AN INNOVATIVE, SUSTAINABLE AND  
INCLUSIVE ADRIATIC IONIAN MACRO-REGION**

*Moderated by Mr. Vladimir GJORGJEVSKI, Head of RYCO Local Branch Office, North Macedonia*

- **Mr. Mladen FRCKOVSKI**, Head of Labor Market Unit at the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Government of the Republic of North Macedonia
- **Mr. Gilles KITTEL**, Team Manager – Instrument for Pre-Accession, Enlargement Negotiations and EUSAIR, DG REGIO, European Commission
- **Mr. Midhat DZEMIC**, EUSAIR National Coordinator, EU Funds National Coordinator at the Directorate for European Integration, Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- **Ms. Lidija PANSEGRAU HADROVIĆ**, Deputy EUSAIR National Coordinator for Croatia, Member of the All Committee of Senior Officials, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia
- **Mr. Stavros KALOGNOMOS**, Executive Secretary of the Balkan & Black Sea Commission of the CPMR, AI-NURECC PLUS Coordinator

## 10:45-11:30 WHY YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IS IMPORTANT

*Moderated by Mr. Milan STOJANOVIC, Adriatic Ionian Youth Network*

*Keynote speech Mr. Gjorgi TASEV, Youth and Youth Policies Adviser to the Prime Minister of North Macedonia*

- **Ms. Krisela HACKAJ**, Executive Director at Cooperation and Development Institute (Albania)
- **Mr. Natalino BARBIZZI**, Head of European Territorial Cooperation at Marche Region and ADRION National Contact Point Italy
- **Mr. Klajdi KAZIU**, Secretary-General of the UN Association in Albania
- **Ms. Eva KORNIK**, President at National Youth Council of Slovenia
- **Mr. Guxim NUHIU**, Governing Board Member at National Youth Council of North Macedonia
- **Mr. Kristian KINA**, University of Tirana and Adriatic Ionian Youth Network (AIYN)

## 11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

## 11:45-12:45 PARTICIPATORY, SUSTAINABLE AND INNOVATIVE. THE EUSAIR THROUGH THE LENSES OF YOUTH

*Moderated by Mr. Milan STOJANOVIC, Adriatic Ionian Youth Network*

*Participating youth will be subdivided in smaller working groups to discuss the challenges that Adriatic Ionian youth are facing in the post-pandemic world and the skills that are needed to advance towards a greener, more sustainable and inclusive Adriatic Ionian Region. In particular, each EUSAIR pillar will be discussed to pinpoint innovative solutions to the identified challenges. This collective exercise will be aimed at stimulating reflections about a full and meaningful youth participation in the EUSAIR.*

*As a result of discussions, key recommendations to be submitted to decision-makers will be defined and reported to the plenary.*

## 12:45-13:00 PLENARY. MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE OF YOUTH COOPERATION

*Moderated by Ms. Maria Luisa ESPOSITO, AIE EU Project Officer, and Mr. Milan STOJANOVIC, Adriatic Ionian Youth Network*

*A plenary session will see rapporteurs from each working group report about the conclusions and recommendations to decision-makers, which will be submitted to the European Commission and EUSAIR.*

- **Ms. Milena PALLOTTA**, Rapporteur for Pillar 1 Blue Growth
- **Mr. Rrahim JATA**, Rapporteur for Pillar 2 Connecting the Region
- **Ms. Besa SEJDIU**, Rapporteur for Pillar 3 Environmental Quality
- **Ms. Azra BERBIC**, Rapporteur for Pillar 4 Sustainable Tourism

## 13:00-13:15 CONCLUSIONS AND FINAL REMARKS

- **Ms. Maria Luisa ESPOSITO**, AIE EU Project Officer

## 13:30-15:00 Light Lunch on site

