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SEEDS announces an exciting youth exchange in Sceaux sur Saône, **France**.

Do you like music and exploring local culture? Are you interested in rural development? Come explore these interests in a vibrant intercultural environment!

SEEDS will send 1 group leader and 5 participants between the ages of 18 and 30 years to participate in the youth exchange **“Music in Rural Areas ”** which will be held in the Franche-Comté region of France.

When: September 25 – October 8, 2015.

Application Deadline: Friday, August 14, 2015.

Theme and aims of the youth exchange: The local association „Au coin de l’oreille“ is organizing this youth exchange, which will be about music and development in rural areas. Participants will take part in creative workshops to decorate a room on the association’s premises, music workshops to discover French culture, and video workshops in which participants will have a chance to describe their experience. The group will explore the importance of cultural places in rural areas where music can play an important role in social cohesion. Many local partners will be involved in the project, including local artists. Participants will also have the opportunity to enjoy some community dinners with local people.

Participating Countries: Iceland, Greece, and France.

Number of participants: There will be 6 participants from each of the participating countries. 5 of them will be participants between 18-30 years of age, and one will be a leader of any age.

Requirements for participants:

- Interest in music and culture, and/or rural development.
- A good command of spoken English.
- A positive attitude, tolerance, flexibility, and enthusiasm.
- An interest in sharing their experience through SEEDS upon returning home.

Accommodation: Participants will sleep in shared rooms on the association premises. All necessary facilities (kitchen, bathroom and other shared rooms) will be provided.

Costs and expenses: SEEDS has received funding for this project through Erasmus+, the youth education program of the European Commission, in collaboration with Solidarités Jeunesses in France. Participants will be provided food and housing during the youth exchange, in addition to some excursions during the program.



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Participants will receive up to 270€ of their travel costs reimbursed after the project, when all travel documents and receipts have been returned to SEEDS and payment has been received by the Erasmus+ program office in France.

Those who are chosen to participate in this project will need to pay a 20.000 kr. administrative and registration fee to SEEDS before departure. This fee is non-refundable, even if the applicant has to cancel their participation in the trip for any reason. Applicants who are not selected to participate in the project do not have to pay any fee.

The application form for this project can be found here:
<http://www.seeds.is/files/2015/SEEDS-Application-Form.doc>

Please fill out the application and send it to outgoing@seeds.is by Friday, August 14, 2015.

If you have questions or would like more information about this project, please contact Linda Valsdóttir at outgoing@seeds.is.

