

## International Seminar: "Discovering civic-tech"

1 - 5 February 2017 in Edinburgh, Scotland

Co-organised by JEF Europe and YEM UK, the international seminar "Discovering civic-tech" will take place from the 1 - 5 February in Edinburgh, Scotland.

### About the Seminar

"Discovering civic-tech" is JEF's first activity in 2017 "E-democracy: connecting European Youth and Politics through Digital Tools" working plan that sets out to contribute education for digital democracy. During this seminar the participants are expected to expand their understanding and knowledge about civic tech and e-democracy. They will develop skills, knowledge and competences about digital democracy and digital participation. A special light will be shed on the benefits which civic tech tools could entail for the reconnection of youth with local and regional politics. Thanks to this international activity, participants will be empowered to promote and improve the condition for youth e-participation in their local environment.

### How will we work?

The methodological approach of the seminar will ensure that the principles of non-formal education are fully respected. This means that the participants will be offered possibilities to be fully engaged in planning and achieving their learning, through various experiential processes (role plays), small group work, expert input and open debates. Related to the inputs provided by external speakers, JEF Europe and YEM UK will ensure that the speakers who will come to address the participants with their expert input will be very experienced and able to engage youth in active and meaningful dialogue.

### Application procedure

**Who is eligible to apply:** Young people aged 18-30 years who are citizens of one of the 47 member states of the Council of Europe + citizens of Belarus. Applications from non-eligible persons will not be taken into account.

**Application form:** [HERE](#)

**Deadline for applications: Tuesday 27 December 2016 23:59 CET**

**Successful applicants will be contacted by Monday 2 January 2017 23:59 CET**

## Practical Information

**Participation fee: €100** (€50 for locals and anyone who does not need accommodation)

(8 scholarships of 30 EUR will be provided based on the quality of the response with the regard to the applicant's motivation.)

**Travel reimbursement: 70% of the travel costs** (up to max. 150€)

The participation fee covers full board and lodging during the seminar (1 - 5 February)

**JEF Europe will only issue travel reimbursement by bank transfer and upon presentation of all original travel documents after the end of the seminar.**

**Do not book your ticket and/or pay the participation fee before you receive an e-mail confirmation regarding your selection. Confirmation emails will be sent by Monday 2 of January 2017.**

**Cancellation policy: Participants who have been confirmed and have paid their participation fee, but cancel their participation after 9 January 2017 will receive 50% of their participation fee. Cancellations after 18 January 2017 are not refundable at all.**

## Visa procedure

**JEF Europe and YEM UK will assist in visa procedures if needed.**

Participants requiring a UK visa are requested to complete the dedicated questions in the application form. In case you need an invitation letter, please contact us via the email below.

### Detailed agenda

The detailed agenda of the seminar and an Info-Kit will be sent to the participants shortly after their selection.

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