

Hitchhiking through nine European countries this summer! Be part of it!

What are your plans for the summer? Want to travel through Europe? But doing something new, innovative and globally important? Do you want to realize some of your creative ideas supporting a fair and sustainable global development? Do you think it is important to promote the ideas of sustainability and global responsibility all over Europe?

Hitchhiking and campaigning through Europe with an international group of young, dedicated and creative Europeans – that is EURIZONS 2006! We will **travel through seven European countries**, starting in the very north in Riga, Latvia and go all the way through Lithuania, Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Germany and finally France, where we will arrive at the European Parliament. In every city we will be welcomed by local NGOs and together with them we will organize colourful local events with public discussions, workshops, theater, street-football tournaments, concerts, films etc...



The Hitchhikers are the connecting part of the European tour for global responsibility. They will meet each other and prepare for the tour on a four day preparation seminar in the Czech Republic in Kostelecké Horky (Czech Republic) from June 22nd to June 25th. Campaigning and connecting the 7 events through their tour, they are the most important and integrating element of EURIZONS. By hitchhiking through all those countries, **campaigning on the way and taking part in the local events** in each city, they will give the tour its unique character. We hope, that you, with your creativity and enthusiasm spread the spirit on your way through Europe.

A group of around 40 young international hitchhikers (minimum age is 18 years) from nine countries will make the adventurous trip from Riga to Strasbourg. You will hitchhike with young Europeans in international tandems travelling from event to event, perhaps making races in between the teams, joining the local events and campaigning with own ideas or projects. Accommodation and partial food supply for all of you will be provided. You will be trained in campaigning and development education methodology, you will get opportunities for your own experimental campaigning, and altogether you will, through EURIZONS gain unique experiences and qualifications which you can use also in other contexts later on. Of course you will get a certificate for your commitment and participation afterwards.

The Eurizons – Tour – Dates:

RIGA, Latvia	Tuesday + Wednesday	22.-23.8.06
KRAKAU, Poland	Sunday	27.8.06
OLOMOUC, Czech Republic	Tuesday	29.8.06
BRATISLAVA, Slovakia	Thursday	31.8.06
SOPRON, Hungary	Saturday	2.9.06
MUNICH, Germany	Monday + Tuesday	4.-5.9.06
STRASBURG, France	Thursday + Friday	7.-8.9.06

The campaign and local events are held to promote the **Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)**, which the United Nations agreed upon in the year 2000 as a global task to be accomplished till 2015. The 8 MDGs urgently need to be met, like universal primary education, the reduction by half of worldwide poverty or reaching environmental sustainability.

Five years after their endorsement, they are still quite unknown and there is a long way ahead to their achievement. As political and civil society efforts for reaching the MDGs have not been sufficient so far in the EU and its member states, more awareness must be raised on these goals and their importance in order to mobilise the European public and civil society. Linking NGOs in five of the new EU member states with civil society actors in Germany and France, we will live and experience actively Europe's diversity and unity at the same time and work together towards a fair and sustainable world. You can contribute to reaching these goals by helping to organize those local events beforehand, but you can also develop new promoting methods, realize your own ideas, campaign on the streets. There are absolutely no limits for your ideas and creativity, everything is welcome, arts, fundraising, music, special concepts, special activities, whatever you can think of...). Together we can make EURIZONS an absolutely astonishing project!

To become a participant of Eurizons you should like to take part actively and contribute to the whole tour and the preparation seminar. You should be able to communicate in English, as this will be our common language in our international group. Of course it would also be great if you have skills in central/eastern European languages. And of course **your creativity and your motivation to contribute with own ideas and energy are essential to create something truly special**. It is absolutely necessary that you have time between the 22nd of August and September 8th this summer (surprise surprise) as well as on 22 to 25 June for the preparation seminar in the Czech Republic.

Of course it would be quite boring for you, if you are not interested in global issues, sustainability or development work as this is a main focus of the project. Besides that keep in mind that you will be traveling for over two weeks within a big international group, being on your own responsibility, having the task to make EURIZONS a successful, adventurous tour for all of us.



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Apply now for joining us, we only have got limited places! You will find more details and the application forms on our website www.eurizons.net

Deadline for applications is 30th of April 2006.

Join us on our European Tour for Global Responsibility!