5th Paving Youths' Way International Academy



The Economic Policy Institute and the Hanns Seidel Foundation are currently organizing the 5th International Youth Academy in the framework of the long-term Paving Youths' Way student seminars series. It will be on the topic "Is my Europe the same as yours?" and will take place in the period July 10-14, 2017 at Pirin Park Hotel, Sandanski (Southwestern Bulgaria).

The international students' initiative aims at comparing the perceptions about the EU and the future of Europe of young people from three neighbouring member states – Bulgaria, Romania and Greece. The **deadline** for receiving application is **Wednesday**, **28 June 2017**. To find out more as well as how you can apply, please see the following link:

 $\underline{https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1N5HijchrQTSiBO0e3EBQPpwzvB9dtbvmEFe8f3F3vuU/viewform?c=0\&w=1\&edit_requested=true}$

Eligibility criteria for applicants from Bulgaria, Greece and Romania:

- to be no older than 27 years;
- to be either in their last years of undergraduate/graduate study (bachelor/master) or to have graduated in the last 6 months;
- to have at least a working command of English.

The Economic Policy Institute and the Hanns Seidel Foundation cover:

- accommodation in a double-occupancy room (with another participant)
- 3 full meals per day and coffee breaks
- seminar materials
- excursion to the town of Melnik and Rozhen Monastery
- organized group transportation:
 - o Sofia Sandanski Sofia by minibus (for Bulgarian participants)
 - o Ruse Sandanski Ruse by minibus (for Romanian participants)
 - o Thessaloniki Sandanski Thessaloniki by minibus (for Greek participants)

Participants are personally responsible for organizing and covering their own transportation to Sofia, Ruse Thessaloniki. Arrival date is July 10, 2017 (Monday) and departure date is July 14, 2017 (Friday).

The working language of the student academy is English. Participants who successfully complete the training will receive a certificate.