

## Public call for the submission of applications for participation in e-MEETS Project

Zlatibor Regional Development Agency announces public call for the submission of applications for participation in activities of the project ***Enhancing Montenegrin & Serbian Entrepreneurship and Tourism - e-MEETS***.

The project is supported within Erasmus+ Programme - Capacity Building in the Field of Youth, financed by the EU and implemented in cooperation with partners from **Montenegro** – Regional Development Agency for Bjelasica, Komovi and Prokletije (Lead Partner), Institute of Modern Technologies Montenegro and the Municipality of Budva, **Slovenia** - Gea College - Faculty of Entrepreneurship, **Spain** - GEMS, Educaciónen Andalucía and **Germany** - Steinbeis Innovation gGmbH.

### Project description

The main goal of the project is to educate and motivate young people to start their careers by fostering entrepreneurial mind-set, to boost employment of young people in tourism by building up their capacities with the close inter-regional cooperation between Montenegro and Serbia and to exchange best practices with highly experienced EU partner from Slovenia and non-formal learning mobility in EU countries (Spain, Germany).

The overall goal is enhancing entrepreneurship capacities of youth in Montenegro and Serbia, through achievement of the following specific objectives:

- Strengthening entrepreneurship among young population in Montenegro and Serbia
- Improvement of core competences in tourism, basic & innovative solutions development trainings
- Creating Open Education Centre in Tourism as a Youth work education program in business & tourism aspects, with three main goals: a) career counselling, b) information sharing– youth contact point (e.g. dissemination of information about EU programs), c) personalized educational platform aimed on monitoring learners' progress and maximizing achievements.

The results to be achieved by the project are:

- Increased entrepreneurial capacities and skills of youth in Montenegro and Serbia
- Improved specialized knowledge of youth in tourism
- Improved networking and cooperation between EU countries and MNE&SER youth
- Improved knowledge about EU best practices and society in general for MNE&SER participants and vice versa for EU participants

### **Who can apply?**

Applicants from Zlatibor County should be unemployed youth - 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> grade of secondary school or enrolled or graduated studies, up to 30 years, with active knowledge of English language.

Applicants are invited to submit their applications in order to take participation in the following project activities:

Title of activity	Short description of activity	Indicative dates and venues (exact dates will be determined upon selection procedure)	Duration
Workshop 1 and Large scale youth event 1	<b><i>EU is close to YOU</i></b> -familiarizing West Balkans youth with EU best practices in the field of entrepreneurship in tourism. EU and Western Balkan experts will help youth to make connection and identification between their experience and EU standards	June 2018, Berane	2 days
Youth Exchange Activity 1- Youth entrepreneurship in tourism of Spain	Spanish tourism experience for Western Balkan youth- Internationalization, best practice and experience exchange in the field of tourism and entrepreneurship	October 2018, Malaga, Spain	10 days
Workshop 2 and Large scale youth event 2	<b><i>Entrepreneurial wake-up call</i></b> - support for participants in developing and specifying ideas for own business (practical and project based trainings from key stakeholders and experts from EU, boosting confidence and entrepreneurial thinking)	December 2018, Uzice, Serbia	2 days
Youth Exchange Activity 2 - Youth entrepreneurship in tourism of Germany	German Entrepreneurship Innovation for Western Balkan Youth - Internationalization, best practice and experience exchange in the field of tourism and entrepreneurship	March/April 2019, Germany	10 days
Workshop 3 and Large-scale youth event 3	Regional Impact Summit of entrepreneurship in tourism - aims to connect youth business ideas with network of public & private entities as well as to promote eMEETS Educo Centre as meeting point for future enhancing of WB entrepreneurship & tourism	May 2019, Budva, Montenegro	2 days

20 participants from Zlatibor County will be selected to participate in the previously mentioned activities. Selected participants will sign Agreement with the Zlatibor RDA (Serbian project coordinator), which will define all roles and responsibilities of the selected participants during project implementation. The costs of participation in the mentioned activities, such as accommodation, food, travel etc. will be funded by the project.

Interested applicants are invited to submit their applications and motivation letter in English language till 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. Upon completion of the application procedure, all applicants will be invited to English and general knowledge tests that will be organized by Zlatibor RDA. On the basis of the tests' results, Evaluation Committee will invite the best ranked candidates to interview, which is the last phase of the selection procedure. Selected candidates will be obliged to participate in all project activities.

If one of the selected candidates is prevented to participate in any of project activities for any reason and withdraws its application with prior delivered notification during project implementation, he/she will be replaced with next candidate with the highest test score.

Summary of the selection procedure:

- Review of application forms and motivation letters
- English and general knowledge tests (candidates will be informed about time and venue at least 5 days prior to testing)
- Interviews - will be conducted in English and candidates' ideas for employment/self-employment in tourism sector will be discussed and assessed
- Results of the selection procedure will be published on [www.rrazlatobor.rs](http://www.rrazlatobor.rs) at the latest 7 days after conducted interviews

**How to apply:**

All interested candidates should submit application form and motivation letter. Application form is available at the Zlatibor RDA website: [www.rrazlatibor.rs](http://www.rrazlatibor.rs) For more information about the project and planned activities, visit [www.emeets-erasmus.net](http://www.emeets-erasmus.net).

Application form along with motivation letter should be sent to the following e-mail: [emeets@rrazlatibor.rs](mailto:emeets@rrazlatibor.rs), not later than 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2019, 16:00 PM. Any application submitted after the indicated deadline will be rejected.