



## Invitation for the seminar

# YMCA Europe in action for the EU Youth Strategy

**October 14 – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Berlin/Germany**

Dear friends in the YMCAs in Europe,

on many levels within YMCA Europe we are very successful with a good cooperation. Unfortunately European youth politics plays a minor role within the YMCA, although its influence on our national youth politics is very much growing. It is time to face this development and strengthen our cooperation in European youth politics.

**YMCA Germany invites you to a seminar about European youth politics from Oct. 14 – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in Berlin, the capital of Germany.**

## Participants

- Representatives of YMCA national councils who commit themselves for a clearer presence of YMCA Europe on EU level or who are interested in European youth politics
- Representatives of YMCA Europe in the European Youth Forum
- Members of YMCA Europe Executive Committee
- Young YMCA people with interest in European youth politics
- All other YMCA people interested in Europe

## Programme

To enable us to be successful players on the field of European youth politics, we will

- be challenged by interesting lectures
- have exciting group discussions
- meet European politicians
- experience the colorful and lively capital of Germany
- enjoy role plays and creative forms of learning
- learn about other cultural backgrounds and foster our tolerance

## Special aims of the seminar:

- Learning about the new strategy for youth work in Europe and discuss how to implement it into our own country.
- Foundation of a YMCA network dealing with the themes „European Youth Politics“ and “Representation of YMCA Europe”
- Discuss ways to develop and strengthen the participation of young people in European youth politics
- Work on how to develop the awareness of a EU-citizenship among young people.

Please register for the seminar with the enclosed registration form until **Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 2011**. The number of participants is limited!

The seminar is supported by:



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‘Youth in Action’ Programme

## The seminar in brief:

**Date:** Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> 2011  
**Start:** Friday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 18.00h (dinner)  
**End:** Wednesday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 10.00h (after breakfast)

**Place:** Hostel CVJM-Kaulsdorf Berlin e.V.  
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12621 Berlin  
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Website: [www.cvjm-jugendgaestehaus-berlin.de](http://www.cvjm-jugendgaestehaus-berlin.de)  
The hostel can be reached by metro (20' from the center of Berlin).



**Participants:** Max. 3 participants from each partner YMCA.  
Age: no limit, but it would be good to have at least one young person (under the age of 25).

**Costs:** **0,00 €** (Thanks to: EU 'Youth in Action' Programme)  
including: accommodation in 2-4 bed rooms, all meals from Friday dinner until Wednesday breakfast, seminar programme and excursions.



**Travel costs:** 70% of your travel costs (only the cheapest transportation, e.g. Apex flight/train/bus, 2nd class ticket) will be refunded. Receipts needed!  
**Do not make any travel arrangements before we confirm your participation!!**  
We will send the detailed travel information together with your participation confirmation!

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