

EUROPEAN YOUTH EDUCATION "THINK EUROPE"
PROGRAM AND INVITATION

United in Diversity – Together for Tomorrow

Seminar no.: 391

29. November - 04. December 2026, Europahaus Marienberg

Estimated number of participants:

20 young people aged 14 and older from Germany, as well as 2 accompanying persons

20 young people aged 14 and older from Poland, as well as 2 accompanying persons

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The sub-partner Europahaus Marienberg is a member of the GEEA.



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Content & educational aims of the youth project

This seminar brings together young people from Germany and Poland to explore Europe as a shared political, social, and cultural space shaped by diversity, cooperation, and ongoing transformation. The seminar focuses on how young Europeans can understand current challenges and actively contribute to a democratic, inclusive, and future-oriented Europe.

At a time of increasing social fragmentation, inequalities, and political polarisation, the seminar addresses key questions of European coexistence: How can diversity be lived constructively within democratic societies? How can social cohesion and solidarity be strengthened across borders and generations? And how can young people participate meaningfully in shaping Europe's future?

A central focus lies on social inequalities, equality, and questions of justice, particularly regarding the distribution of opportunities, resources, and responsibilities within and between societies and generations.

The seminar also explores broader global developments, including digital transformation, social injustices, shifting geopolitical dynamics, and reflects on their implications for democracy, participation, and social responsibility.

In a transnational German-Polish context, participants engage with different perspectives and shared European challenges, developing a more nuanced understanding of complexity, conflict, and cooperation.

Overall, the seminar aims to strengthen democratic awareness, intercultural understanding, and a sense of shared responsibility—encouraging young people to see themselves as active contributors to a diverse and evolving Europe.

Feedback & Evaluation

There will be constant sharings and feedback rounds in order to hear about individual feelings, the group atmosphere and the status of the agreed aims of the project. An evaluation form will be filled out at the end of the seminar.

Social Media

Seminar results, experiences and impressions will be disseminated after the gathering via social media to present it to a broader public. Networking, transparent education and multiplication are crucial aims. Photos and movies will facilitate only overall impressions. Portrayal of individuals will only be published if approved beforehand.

Facebook: <http://facebook.com/thinkeurope>

Instagram: <http://www.instagram.com/thinkeurope>

Methods

Non formal learning methods. All methods are designed to activate the participants. The methodical repertoire is orientated on the target group and shall support the engagement with the topic. The aim is that participants will do many things by themselves and that they try things out. It is important to have a high variation of methods to keep the programme interesting and exciting and to cover the different needs of all participants:

Ice-Breaking, team building, discussion and debriefing sessions, Mini-Live-Action-Roleplay, excursion, creative presentations, utopian scenario-building and small group work.

Working materials

We would especially like to remind participants to bring writing materials for the seminar, as well as laptops or tablets.

Make sure that you have received the general information sheet from the Europahaus Marienberg summarizing all important information.

VERY IMPORTANT:

Make sure you have read and prepared everything connected to the International Evening / Country Market!

Questions about the program and organization

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Terms and Conditions of Participation

The participation fee is €80.00 per person, covering accommodation, meals, and participation in the program.

Travelling costs for participants will **not** be reimbursed.

Accompanying persons may be granted free admission upon agreement, provided they assume supervisory duties.

Please remember to bring your own towels; bed linens are provided by the facility.

Note

This seminar is open to the public, and the program is published on the EHM website – www.europahaus-marienberg.eu.

PROGRAM

Sunday, 29.11.2026

till 05.00 pm	Arrival and Check-in
06.00 pm	Dinner
07.00 pm	Warm welcome Getting settled, finding your way around the house & first conversations

Monday, 30.11.2026

08.00 – 09.00 am	Breakfast
09.00 – 10.00 am	Welcome and introduction to Europahaus Marienberg Expectations, seminar goals, organizational matters
10.00 – 10.30 am	Break
12.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 – 04.30 pm	Breaking Boundaries get to know, ice-breaking, team-building
6.00 pm	Dinner
7.00 pm	<u>Outside the funding of the BpB:</u> International Evening

Tuesday, 01.12.2026

08.00 – 09.00 am	Breakfast
09.00 – 10.00 am	Mini-LARP “MAGAME” – War or Peace? Embodied Learning: In small groups, participants explore the key elements of European integration through a playful and non-formal learning experience.
10.00 – 10.30 am	Break
10.30 – 12.00 am	Collecting and Reflecting on Insights Reflection on the simulation, collaborative research on developments within the European Union, and connecting participants’ experiences with historical and political realities.
12.30 pm	Lunch

02.00 – 03.30 pm	World Café: Europe and the Challenges of Tomorrow Interactive dialogue format with rotating discussion tables. Participants exchange perspectives on key societal and global issues shaping Europe's future
03.30 – 04.00 pm	Break
04.00 – 05.00 pm	World Café: Europe and the Challenges of Tomorrow Continuation of the structured dialogue, allowing participants to deepen discussions and connect ideas across different thematic areas. Daily evaluation and mood check using analogue and digital tools, debriefing of the day's learning outcomes, and documentation of key results.
06.00 – 07.00 pm	Dinner

Wednesday, 02.12.2026

07.30 – 09.00 am	Breakfast (Packed lunches)
08.30 am	Departure from the EHM to Bonn
10.30 – 1.00 pm	"Learning from history?" Small groups explore the exhibition at the Haus der Geschichte Bonn on a guided tour
1.15 pm	Transfer to downtown Bonn
1.45 – 3.45 pm	<u>Not covered by BpB funding:</u> Leisure Activities in Downtown Bonn
4.00 pm	Departure for the Europahaus Marienberg
6.00 – 7.00 pm	Dinner
7.00 – 8.00 pm	Follow-up on the Visit to the House of History Daily evaluation / mood survey using analog and digital tools, debriefing on the day's learning outcomes, consolidation of results

Thursday, 03.12.2026

08.00 – 09.00 am	Breakfast
09.00 – 10.30 am	Kick-off: Utopia Lab (Chapter 1 & 2) A simulation to rediscover the capacity for utopian thought and creative political power
10.30 – 11.00 am	Break
11.00 – 12.00 pm	Utopia Lab (Chapter 3 & 4) Life in Uncharted Territories
12.30 pm	Lunch
2.00 – 3.15 pm	Utopia Lab (Chapter 5 & 6) Sharing is Caring!
3.15 – 3.45 pm	Break
3.45 – 4.30 pm	Utopia Lab (Chapter 7) Debriefing: Journaling, Outrospection und Introspection
6.00 pm	Dinner

Friday, 04.12.2026

08.00 – 09.00 am	Breakfast
09.00 – 11.00 am (incl. 30-min break)	From Experience to Expression – Your Message, Your Format Interactive input and creative group work in small teams. Participants reflect on their experiences, key learnings, and what they take away from the program, and translate these into self-chosen formats – e.g. a social media post, a song, or a multimedia art project.
11.00 – 12.00 pm	Overall evaluation of the seminar and feedback session
12.00 – 12.30 pm	Closing session: Certificates in European youth education “think europe”, and overview of European opportunities at Europahaus Marienberg (international youth encounters)
12.30 pm	Lunch
	Followed by departure of participants