

## Open Call for Participants (18-30 years old)

### #8YouthTrail: What Youth Can Do on Environmental Governance?

(23-27 October 2022, ALBANIA)

The OSCE Presence in Albania, is launching a Call for Applications for the eighth edition of **#8YouthTrail: What Youth Can Do on Environmental Governance?**, to be held **23-27 October 2022** in Tirana and Shkodra, Albania.

Youth Trails are flagship activities of the OSCE Presence in Albania, organized since 2017 on various topics such as democracy, security, peace and co-operation, media etc. The eighth edition of the Youth Trail is being organized in the frame of the project: "Youth in Focus II – Promoting the Role of Youth in Peace and Security in Albania, funded by the Austrian Development Agency, the Embassy of Greece in Albania and Permanent Mission of Italy to the OSCE.

This edition of Youth Trail is focused on environmental governance, seen through lens of public, private and civil society stakeholders. Environmental issues, inequalities in access to resources together with climate change implications can undermine social cohesion and threaten security and stability. On the other hand, environmental co-operation and proactive community engagement on environmental issues, with youth onboard builds trust and confidence and contributes to broader and sustainable development.

This time again Youth Trail will bring together young people from the South East Europe region (Albania, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Kosovo\*, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia) who will discuss in depth environment issues by learning, sharing and acting on environmental challenges, the role of environmental governance and institutions, youth active role in democratic processes and impact on environmental governance. Youth Trail will provide a unique experience where young people will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge, brainstorm and find creative and innovative solutions on environmental governance issues from different angles (national, regional, public, private and the civil society). Valuable speakers, experts, partners, supporters from national and international arena will join, contribute and attend this event. The program will combine content-driven sessions and panels, group work, field visits, expert and institutional presentation and a field trip in Shkodra.

**Call open for application: 05 September 2022**

**Deadline for application: 25 September 2022** by 23:59 Central European Time

#### Profile of Participants

We look forward to your application if you:

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\* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UN Security Council resolution 1244 and the International Court of Justice Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

- Are an 18 to 30 year-old person from South East Europe (Albania, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Kosovo\*, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia).
- Are eligible for **at least one** of the following :
  - Are an active and engaged member of your community on environmental matters
  - Are currently working in the environmental field
  - Have a professional occupation in environmental related agencies/institutions at the central or local level
- Have working knowledge of the English language.

**Note:**

Gender and geographic balance criteria will be applied in the selection process;  
Candidates from smaller communities outside of regional centers and capitals are encouraged to apply.

### Application procedure and deadlines

The Call for Youth Trail is now open. All interested candidates apply online, completing the application form through this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KM97WNC>

The application must be submitted **by 25 September 2022, latest at 23:59 Central European Time.**

Only selected applicants will be notified, within 10 working days from the application deadline.

### Practical and Financial conditions

- The Youth Trail will take place in Tirana and Shkodra, Albania.
- Accommodation (for Tirana and Shkodra), meals and transport will be provided by the organizers.
- Travel to/from Tirana by bus will be organized to/from Belgrade, Podgorica, Pristina, Sarajevo and Skopje.

### Working Language:

The working language will be English.

### Further information

<https://www.osce.org/presence-in-albania/525243>

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