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XIV International Youth Camp "Dialogue"

**13-19 August 2023 (including arrival and departure days)
Ethnographic Park-Museum "ETNOMIR"
(Kaluga Region, Russian Federation)**

Application

Deadline: **July 30, 2023**

*"Representatives of different nationalities have been living in peace and friendship in our country for centuries. The traditions of good-neighbourhood and mutual respect, the historical experience of intercultural interaction are the pride and common heritage of the people of Russia. And therefore, the issues of ensuring interethnic and interreligious harmony, strengthening unity, preserving the diversity of customs, languages and original cultures are among the constant, significant and key priorities"*¹

V.V. Putin

The Russian Federation is one of the largest multinational and multi-confessional states in the world, inhabited by representatives of 194 peoples who speak 277 languages and dialects. Ensuring interethnic and interfaith harmony is not an easy, but extremely important task. Harmonious interethnic and interfaith relations are the key to security, social and economic stability in the country.

The Russian Federation is rightfully the world leader in the field of interethnic and interfaith relations: state-legal institutions have been formed; legislation is developing successfully; the interaction of federal, regional and local authorities with civil society institutions has been built; there is a system of state support for socially oriented non-profit organizations participating in the implementation of the state national policy; a large number of successful practices aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations have been developed, and much more.

In the context of global instability, it is important that the rich and successful experience of the Russian Federation in the field of interethnic and interfaith relations serve as a positive example and be useful for other countries and peoples.

The XIV International Youth Camp "Dialogue" is an educational communication platform on topical issues of interethnic and interfaith relations, as well as for interaction and exchange of experience among young leaders from the Russian Federation, CIS countries and other foreign countries working in the field of interethnic and interfaith relations.

The project was initiated in 2009 by the National Youth Council of Russia and is implemented annually with the support of the state authorities of the Russian Federation.

The XIV International Youth Camp "Dialogue" will be held **on August 14-18, 2023** (arrival day is August 13, departure day is August 19) in the Kaluga region on the territory of Ethnographic Park-Museum "ETNOMIR" (<http://ethnomir.ru>).

The XIV International Youth Camp "Dialogue" is a part of the Action Plan for 2023-2024 for the implementation of the CIS Strategy for International Youth Cooperation for the period until 2030.

¹From the greeting telegram of the President of the Russian Federation V.V. Putin to the participants, guests and organizers of the All-Russian Scientific and Practical Conference "Russia: Unity and Diversity", November 16, 2022 <http://kremlin.ru/events/president/letters/69842>.

AIM OF THE CAMP:

To organize an educational communication platform that brings together young leaders from the Russian Federation, the CIS countries and other foreign countries working in the field of interethnic and interfaith relations in order to strengthen friendly and professional ties, consolidate experience, improve professional skills and competencies, develop further cooperation and implement joint projects.

OBJECTIVES:

- to create conditions for the exchange of experience and the formation of a young leaders community from the Russian Federation, the CIS countries and other foreign countries interested in the development of further cooperation and the joint projects implementation aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations;
- to improve participants' intercultural competence and develop their professional and cross-professional skills that contribute to the development and implementation of projects aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations;
- to identify and consider current problems and issues on the way to strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations (including extremism, nationalism and xenophobia) in the realities of participants and in society as a whole, as well as discuss ways to respond to them and develop possible responses through joint projects;
- to promote the development and implementation of projects aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations;
- to present the experience, approaches and successful practices of the Russian Federation in the field of interethnic and interfaith relations, talk about the existing opportunities and resources for the projects implementation aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations.

PROGRAMME

The camp program will consist of four blocks:

- **the business block** will include panel discussions with representatives of state authorities, experts in the field of interethnic and interfaith relations, representatives of the scientific community;
- **the educational block** will include lectures, trainings, workshops, business and role-playing games aimed at improving the intercultural competence of participants, as well as the development of professional and cross-professional skills that contribute to the development and implementation of projects aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations;
- **the project laboratory** will include work in teams and the development of joint projects aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations in the following thematic areas:
 - education;
 - culture and art;
 - preservation of historical memory;
 - volunteering;
 - youth tourism;

- youth sports;
- media;
- **the cultural block** will include creative workshops on ethnic themes, folk games, animation programs and creative evenings.

PARTICIPANTS PROFILE

The XIV International Youth Camp "Dialogue" will bring together 100 participants who are interested in expanding public relations and cooperation, as well as implementing joint projects aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations.

Participants will be represented by three main groups:

- 60 young leaders from the Russian Federation;
- 20 young leaders from the CIS countries;
- 20 young leaders from other foreign countries.

Candidate for participation in the camp must meet the following criteria:

- be 18-35 years old;
- be a representative of a youth public organization / a representative of an informal youth association / a representative of a student organization / a representative of an ethnic youth organization / a representative of the youth wing of the national-cultural autonomy / a representative of the student community / a representative of a foreign students' association / a young ethno-journalist / a young ethno-blogger / a young person who has a ready-made project or the idea of a project aimed at strengthening interethnic and interfaith relations;
- be motivated and able to organize activities and projects after the camp in cooperation with other camp participants;
- be ready to work on the dissemination and enhancement of the knowledge gained during the camp;
- be ready to take part in all activities planned as part of the camp programme;
- be able to speak English or Russian.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Dates: The Camp will begin on August 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. and end on August 18, 2023 at 10:00 p.m. Check-in day for all participants is August 13, 2023 and departure day is August 19, 2023.

Place: Ethnographic Park-Museum "ETNOMIR", Kaluga Region, Russian Federation.

Working languages: Russian and English. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Financial conditions of participation: The organizers will provide transfer from Moscow to the camp site and back, accommodation and meals during the Camp and a cultural programme for all participants.

The organizers will cover travel costs from place of residence to Moscow and back as well as visa fees for foreign participants. Russian participants will cover their travel costs to Moscow and back themselves or at the expense of the sending organization.

The organizers will provide visa application support for international participants who will require it.

IMPORTANT: in case of missed sessions of the camp program and frequent delays, the participants pay for accommodation and meals on their own.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURES

All interested candidates from the **Russian Federation** are invited to apply by choosing one of the most convenient options **by 23:59 Moscow time 30 July 2023:**

- via an online application form available at <https://intermol.su/events/xiv-mezhdunarodnyy-molodyezhnyy-lager-dialog/>.
- on the website "Youth of Russia" (to apply you will need to register on the website) <https://myrosmol.ru/>.

All interested candidates from **other countries** are invited to apply via an online application form available at <https://forms.gle/rdY797xKKfr4ZwG38> **by 23:59 Moscow time 30 July 2023.**

IMPORTANT: foreign participants who require a visa are advised to complete the application **by July 25, 2023.**

All participants will be selected by the organizers based on the completed application form and the participants unique experience, motivation and balanced diversity within the group. Selected applicants will receive additional information and instructions **no later than August 3, 2023.**

ORGANIZERS

The XIV International Youth Camp "Dialogue" is jointly organized by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, the National Youth Council of Russia and the Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education "MIREA – Russian Technological University", which performs the functions of the Basic organization of the CIS member states for working with youth.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For support regarding the camp programme and the application procedure contact please: projects@youthrussia.ru, + 7 (495) 249-11-49.

If you are interested in other in other international youth events, contact please: <https://intermol.su/> and <http://www.youthrussia.ru/>.