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EU invites students and teachers to European Parliament's EuroMedScola Conference

Strasbourg, 23-25 November 2015

The Delegation of the European Union to Lebanon invites students and teachers to submit applications for the EuroMedScola Conference that will take place at the European Parliament, Strasbourg (France) on 23-25 November 2015.

EuroMedScola simulates the work of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union for the Mediterranean (PA UfM) by gathering pupils from the EU Member States and the UfM partner countries. It aims at fostering dialogue and respect for diversity, and at providing civic education geared towards democracy, human rights and fundamental freedoms, tolerance and peaceful conflict resolution.

During the three days, participants will be divided into five parliamentary committees, modelled on the PA UfM (political, economic, cultural, environmental and women). They will draft resolutions and adopt them in plenary sessions, and will have the opportunity to work side-by-side with young people from across the Mediterranean region and Europe.

Prior to their arrival to Strasbourg, participants are expected to prepare their interventions in relation to the positions to the subjects of discussion.

Conditions of eligibility:

- Students between 16 – 18 years old (at the time of the event);
- Fluency in English, French or Arabic.

Conditions of selection:

- Proven engagement in fostering dialogue and respect for diversity;
- Good drafting capacities;
- Knowledge of youth issues in the Mediterranean region;
- Originality in proposing solutions to challenges young people face, through dialogue and fruitful exchange.

What we offer

The European Parliament will cover the cost of international transportation (economy class tickets), transportation upon arrival in Strasbourg, accommodation for up to 3 nights (in communal dorms of a fully renovated youth hostel in Strasbourg) and the meals specified in the official programme of the conference.

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What to do

Email us with a short biography, along with your reply to the following two questions (max. 200 words each):

- Describe your engagement in the fostering of civic dialogue and respect for diversity, in your school, community, village/town.
- Share with us the challenges that youth across the Mediterranean face and the solutions that you envisage in any one of the following fields: (a) education, employment and the future; (b) being informed – getting involved; (c) migration and integration; (d) equal opportunities – a force for democracy; (e) environment, transport and renewable energy.

Teachers that would like to accompany the students under the same cost-covering arrangements are also invited to submit their CV and a motivation letter explaining why they consider they are best qualified to do so. Previous involvement in similar activities, in a supervisory role and knowledge of EU institutions are highly valued.

For both students and teachers, the email address for submissions is delegation-lebanon@eeas.europa.eu and the deadline is 16 September 2015. In the subject-line of your email, please mention "Application EuromedScola".