



Dear partners,

Young people have rights, and one of those is the Right to Information. By means of Youth Workers and Youth Information Centers, young people are able to increase their independence and autonomy. In France, this task is a public service guaranteed by the State.

The youth information network tallies about 1300 centers that are divided into local (PIJ), departmental (BIJ) and regional (CRIJ) structures where young people can anonymously and freely access information on various subjects such as : studies, jobs, rights, health, housing, leisure, cultures, sports, holidays, mobility, Europe, international activities etc.

An increasing number of young people is giving rise to mobility issues concerning their professional integration, in addition to environmental issues. It is for this reason that our central region network "CRIJ-Centre Val de Loire", composed of 13 Information centers, decided to promote the subject of "soft mobility in Europe".

"Soft mobility" refers to all non-motorized trips such as walking, cycling, rollerblading etc. or any other environmentally friendly means of transport.

The observed inequalities between urban and rural areas in our country lead us to interpreting in which ways soft mobility is organised in your country, concerning young people over the age of 12 (including people with reduced mobility).

Our regional network would like to organize a study visit thus setting the following objectives:

- to understand how you address soft mobility in your organisation
- to exchange our experiences on several topics: youth, soft mobility, sustainable development, ...
- to meet young people who participated in a soft mobility project
- to develop skills in assembling European files
- to develop language skills regarding soft mobility
- to create a partnership on a European scale as well as on a departmental one
- to construct a local analysis about sustainable mobility
- to acquire new tools and discover new ways of involving young people in soft mobility and environmental matters
- to experience a soft mobility trip ourselves in order to remove technical obstacles and as a result be able to become a resource person in our own territory

- to create a territorial project with young people to support them in the development of their mode of travel

To achieve these goals, our project is a five –day trip from November 8th to 12th 2021 in the hosting country with the hosting partners.

Our organization will be in charge about all the project and we submit the application in our national agency.

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