



naousa 2010

2nd Regional Summer Session
EYP Greece

13-19 July
an international forum for the youth of Europe
European Youth Parliament Greece
information booklet



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WELCOME NOTE

It is our greatest pleasure to invite you to the 2nd Regional Summer Session of the European Youth Parliament Greece, Naousa 2010, which will be held in Naousa this summer. We are looking forward to welcoming you to Greece and enjoy this experience to the full. The session will take place from the 13th to the 19th of July in the picturesque town of Naousa; an international forum for the youth of Europe.

The Organising Committee

Applications



Naousa 2010 is a unique event that will gather more than 140 youngsters from all over Europe in Naousa, Greece from 13 to 19 of July 2010; an international forum for the youth of Europe. The participants will meet, discuss and debate European current affairs, express their opinions and experience European citizenship from an innovative prospective. The session programme includes the basic EYP elements, but also other traditional EYP cultural events; one full day of Teambuilding in the forests and rivers of Naousa, two days of Committee Work in the historical buildings followed by a free day sightseeing Alexander the Great's places and the Greek sea and the day of General Assembly.

We ask anyone interested to participate to apply online as an individual. The application form is available at <http://regional.eypgreece.org/forms>

Please fill out this form as soon as possible, but no later than the 1st of May.

Delegates will not be accompanied by teachers.

If there are any National Committees wishing to send an already formed delegation, please contact us as soon as possible at

naousa2010@gmail.com



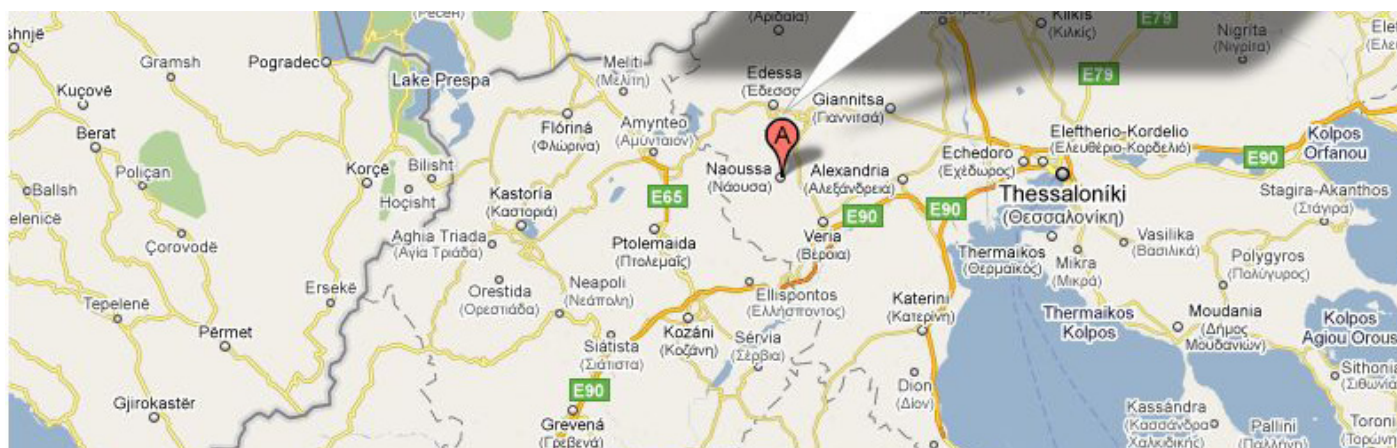
The **participation fee** for delegates is **80€** per delegate, including full board (except committee dinner and other minor expenses), accommodation, transportation during the session and all events.

However, the participants will have to cover their travel costs by themselves.



Travel information

Naoussa is a town located in the centre of the Greek part of Macedonia, very close to Thessaloniki. All delegates are expected to arrive on Tuesday the 13th of July.



BY PLANE

The closest airport is the Thessaloniki International Airport "Makedonia". If you decide to get here by plane, we strongly advise you to arrive in Thessaloniki airport BEFORE 15.30 EET. The Thessaloniki International Airport (SKG) is connected with most of the major European cities, as well as the Athens International Airport.

Organisers will pick you up from the airport and transfer you by bus to Thessaloniki Train Station.

BY TRAIN

Thessaloniki is connected with most of the Balkan major cities by train, such as Skopje, Bucharest, Belgrade, Sofia, as well as Istanbul. We strongly advise you to arrive in Thessaloniki BEFORE 17.30 EET.

BY BUS

Many bus companies operate bus routes to Thessaloniki. If you decide to get here by bus, organisers will pick you up from your arrival point and transfer you to the Thessaloniki Train Station.

ONCE YOU GET TO THESSALONIKI TRAIN STATION

You will then take a train to Naoussa. The train trip lasts approximately 55 min. From there, you will be transferred by bus to the accommodation venue. All the bus and train tickets from Thessaloniki to Naoussa will cost you maximum 5€.

USEFUL LINKS

National Railways www.trainose.com

Thessaloniki International Airport www.thessalonikiairport.gr

Google Maps maps.google.com

Accommodation

All the participants will be accommodated in one hotel, located in the Grove of Agios Nikolaos, the teambuilding venue, 2km away from the city centre. The address of the hotel is:

Hotel Vermion

Agios Nikolaos of Naousa

59200 Naousa

Email : hotelvermion@otenet.gr

Phone: +30 2332029311

Fax: +30 2332029314

www.hotelvermio.gr



All the participants will be allocated in 3- and 4-bed rooms, all with bathroom en-suite. Delegates will share room with their committee members.

In case of any arrival prior to Tuesday 13th or departure later than Monday 19th , extra accommodation can be provided in the hotel, at the cost of 22€ per person (4-bed room, breakfast included). We can also recommend hotels or hostels in Thessaloniki or other Greek cities.

Visas

Please check for visa and other documents requirements at the website of Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

www.mfa.gr/www.mfa.gr/en-US/Services/Visas/Visas+for+Foreigners+travelling+to+Greece/

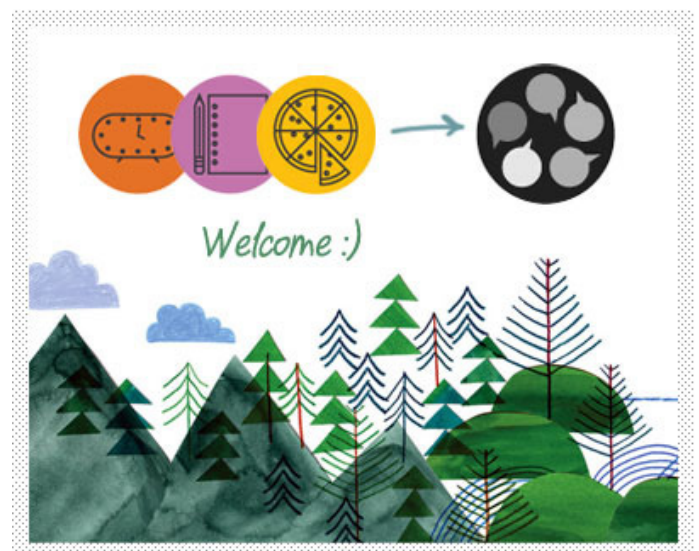
If you need any assistance in obtaining a visa please contact us as soon as possible. We can provide you with a formal invitation letter if necessary.

Insurance

It is vital that all participants have their own travel insurance. Travel insurance will cover loss of luggage, accidents, disease etc.

For those from countries which are members of the European Health Insurance Card system, we ask you to obtain and bring your card, in order to ensure that you will get easy access to public sector health care. You may find more information at the following link or at your local health authority.

<http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559>



The Programme

Teambuilding: Agios Nikolaos

Wednesday, 14th July

Teambuilding activities are essential in order for every delegate to get to know the committee they will be working with throughout the week. Teambuilding will take place in Agios Nikolaos' grove, a natural park of unique beauty. At the banks of river Arapitsa and the nearby sports facilities, all delegates will have indoors and outdoors activities throughout one intense day with their committees. Working languages throughout the session are English and French.

Dress code: Comfortable, sports/outside activity clothing



Committee presentations:

Agios Nikolaos

Wednesday, 14th July

Every committee will have some time to present itself to the others (the preparation of this presentation will take place during teambuilding).

Country presentations:

Hotel Vermion

Wednesday, 14th July

Every delegation will have some time to present its country to all the session with a sketch, a dance, a song, or whatever you prefer. As there will be many countries represented, each presentation should be **NO LONGER THAN 3 MINUTES**. An audio and video system will be provided for the performances.

Dress code: Casual or National Costumes

Eurovillage: Hotel Vermion

Wednesday, 14th July

On Wednesday night, each delegation will have a stand to represent their country's culture and regional products at EYP's famous Eurovillage. So, bring lots of food! You are encouraged to wear your national costumes and bring a flag to decorate your stand.

Dress code: Casual or National Costumes

Opening Ceremony: Loggou-Tourpali Building
Thursday, 15th July

The Opening Ceremony will mark the start of the parliamentary part of the session, and will offer you a formal introduction to EYP, as well as to the region of Naousa and to Greece. There will be speeches by prominent statesmen of Greece and Europe.

Dress code: Formal/Elegant (skirts, dresses or suits for ladies; suits for gentlemen)

Committee Work: 1st and 2nd Elementary School of Naousa
15th-16th July

During two intense days of Committee Work each committee will create a resolution on their respective topic through the help of an experienced Chairperson.

Dress code: Smart

Committee Dinners
Thursday, 15th July

On Thursday night, the organisers will book tables at a selection of local restaurants. Each committee will have the chance to go out for a meal together. This is a very special moment for the committee which can spend some time together off committee work enjoying some fine local restaurants. Committee Dinner will not be covered by the participation fees so you will have to pay your meal yourself. The cost will not exceed 15€ per person.

Dress code: Casual





Euroconcert: Municipal Summer Theatre

Saturday, 17th July

Euroconcert is an opportunity for the talented musicians among the participants to entertain the whole session and its supporters. All participants are encouraged to take part as long as high standard is provided. Performances should be polished and well rehearsed. Euroconcert is a serious event and performances should respect the importance of the event. Musicians should bring their own instruments. There will be a piano available, though. There will also be the possibility during the session to rehearse your performance again.

Dress code: Formal/Elegant

General Assembly: Loggou-Tourpali building

Sunday, 18th July

One day of General Assembly will be the perfect setting for sharing ideas and discussing all the resolutions produced during the week.

Dress code: Formal

Farewell party // Evening programme

Throughout the week we will provide all the participants with an evening programme that will allow everybody to spend time and relax with new friends. The programme will include special events, such as the welcome night by the river in Agios Nikolaos, a theme party and of course the farewell party, which marks the end to an incredible week.

Dress code: (only for the theme party) to be announced soon!

The theme

The session will have a special theme, which will act as an umbrella for many of the committee topics that will be discussed during Committee Work, as well as being central for various activities and events. The session's theme will be under the title:

“Social inclusion of the youth and the vulnerable groups”.

Since 2010 is the “Year of combatting poverty and social exclusion” according to the European Commission, the session will offer a great opportunity to discuss such a multi-dimensional topic, which touches issues from racism and equal opportunities to life-long learning and e-Inclusion.

The topic is especially relevant to the area of Naousa, where rates of unemployment are reaching 40 %. For these reasons, a workshop dealing with human rights and social inclusion issues will be conducted, with the participation of Greek and European NGOs, as well as politicians and other decision makers. Also, some of the 9 committee topics will be directly or indirectly connected to social inclusion. The workshop will take place after the end of Committee Work.

Alcohol and behaviour policy

It is the responsibility of your own to ensure your well being and good behaviour during the session, even during social events. Alcohol will be available at some events, but delegates should be mindful of Greek legislation prohibiting alcohol consumption below the age of 18. Everyone is expected to understand that the organisers would not wish your stay in Greece and memories of the session to be ruined by misbehaviour.

We operate a total zero tolerance policy with drugs.



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If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at naousa2010@gmail.com.

We all cannot wait to meet you in Naousa!

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