

Rural Youth Europe,
in co-operation with
Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs
welcomes you to the
European Rally 2018

“Year of Young People, World of Opportunities”
Sunday 12 August - Sunday 19th August 2018



Kilgraston School, Bridge of Earn, Perth, PH2 9BQ

SAYFC is excited to host European Rally 2018 event. **Year of Young People, World of Opportunities** and to celebrate the 61st anniversary of Rural Youth Europe. We like to give a big Scottish welcome to young people from all Rural Youth Europe member organisations.

The European Rally aims to bring together over 100 people from 20 Countries to develop skills, knowledge and confidence, get inspired, share the experiences, and discover the similarities in diversity.

Our Aim is to empower rural young people to promote diverse, responsible and peaceful societies; raise the awareness of the importance of joint decision-making, consequences of person's actions, as well as encourage cooperation between young people from different countries all over Europe.

To reach the **objectives** rural youth will:

- Explore what **Youth participation** means, on which areas it can be applied to and what are the benefits
- Define obstacles for youth participation and create suggestions for how to overcome them
- Develop skills and plan actions to increase participation

The working methods will include interactive workshops and a series of study visits to explore different aspects of the theme. Sessions are based on non-formal education and will provide opportunities for participants to develop their skills and knowledge as well as to share their experiences.

Scotland will host a home stay evening towards the end of the week for all delegates to participate and experience wider Scotland.

Venue

The venue of the European Rally 2018 will be near Perth in Central Scotland, a town located 40 Miles North from the Scottish Capital Edinburgh and 60 miles from Glasgow International Airport. There are good transport links from Glasgow and Edinburgh to Perth.



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Rally Teams

Member organisations of Rural Youth Europe can send a team of five persons in total, a team leader and four participants (if nothing else is agreed upon).

Team Leaders

The team leader is responsible for all communication and feedback between their national team and the Rally prep team before, during and after the Rally.

Tasks of the team leader:

- Forward email communication from Rural Youth Europe and SAYFC to the team members, before and following the Rally;
- Ensure the team completes daily reports about the Rally programme;
- Take care of your team members and ensure they follow the Behaviour Guidelines and Rally rules;
- Complete the Erasmus+ programme evaluation form at ECAS Mobility Tool after the Rally.

Participants

Profile of participants:

- Be between 18 and 25 years old. This is an Erasmus+ funding requirement, although there can be an exception of up to 20% of the participants. Group leaders can be 26-30 years old. Participants must have turned 18 before the start of the Rally (Sunday 12th August 2018)
- Be able to communicate in English;
- Be active within your own youth organisation;
- Be willing to work in topics around Youth Participation across Europe

Registration

Please use online registration form

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RYERally2018>

Participation Fee

The participation fee for the Rally is €320 for Western Participants and €150 for Eastern participants. The participation fee has to be paid into the follow Rural Youth Europe bank account by **1st of June**:

Receiver's name: Rural Youth Europe
IBAN: FI21 1555 3000 1089 94
SWIFT: NDEAFIHH
Bank name: Nordea
Bank Address: Aleksis Kiven katu 3-5, Helsinki, Finland
Please ensure you include any bank transfer fees

Travel information

Each organisation is responsible for booking tickets for their National Rally team. Before purchasing the tickets, please contact the Eelin at Rural Youth Europe, at office@ruralyoutheuropa.com to check your travel plans. All travel invoices and schedules must be sent to office e-mail by 11th June 2018.

For countries travelling to Scotland, we advise flights to Glasgow International Airport or Edinburgh Airport, with connecting Train or Buses to Perth.

Arrival: We ask that all participants arrive at Perth Train Station by 5pm on Sunday 12th August. Transport to the venue will be provided from there.

Departure: Transport will be provided to Perth railway station on the departure day, Sunday 19th August 2018. Please keep in mind your transfer times to Glasgow and Edinburgh International airport when booking flights.

Travel reimbursement

Travel costs will be reimbursed to at least 50% for team leaders and participants. Additional funding can be paid in case the project budget so allow. Travel reimbursement is paid on the following conditions:

- Cheapest option of travel is used (second class train, economy class flights...).
- The participants are following the Behaviour Guidelines and general Rally rules.
- All original tickets, proofs of payments and boarding passes are given/sent to the RYEurope office. **Please note that no travel reimbursement will be made unless ALL ORIGINAL travel documents are received by 30th August 2018**

Behaviour guidelines

Please read and understand the attached Behaviour Guidelines made by Rural Youth Europe member organisations in 2012.

Other General rules for the Rally are:

- Participants must attend the entire Rally programme and be on time for workshops;

- Smoking is forbidden in any building or area unless otherwise stated.

Participants who do not follow the Behaviour Guidelines will not receive their Travel reimbursement.

Country Preparations

Local Study Visits about Youth Participation

As preparation for Rural Youth Europe events in 2018 all participants are asked to do a local study visit about 'youth participation'. The aim of the study visit is to get familiar with how rural youth can in various ways get actively involved in society.

It is up to you what kind of youth participation you want to study during your visit. Some examples are that you could:

- interview a young person being actively involved in an organisation, council or political party,
- participate in a demonstration or observe and analyse one,
- make a presentation about how you yourself participate in the community.

Regardless of the format of your visit, please find out information like: What change in society does this person/event aim for? What is the motivation/context? What is done to get closer to the goal? Who benefits from it? What more could young people do on this matter?

The study visit can be done individually or in groups, and the visits should be completed during the beginning of the summer. Please send by the 15th of July to office@ruralityoutheurope.com a description of your visit and what you learned about youth participation in the format of a short written summary and a few pictures, and if the visit is done in a group, also a video clip. This material will then be collected to be shared between all participants of 2018 activities and for Rural Youth Europe's media and reporting.

What to bring?

- Comfortable clothing according to the weather, also warm and waterproof clothing;
- Shoes suitable for workshops, formal events and sports/hiking;
- Traditional costume or formal clothing for the opening ceremony and closing dinner, and a flag from your country;
- Any costumes, music or items needed for evening entertainment including country entertainment
- Personal hygiene items including **soap**, shower gel etc (towels will be available at the venue);
- Medicine and any other personal items;
- Food and drinks for the International Buffet, no cooking facilities will be available - please bear in mind that we do not want a lot of food waste;
- 1 laptop/ tablet per team;
- Compatible electricity plugs/chargers (Type G adapters are needed, a standard British adapter. The standard voltage is 230V and the frequency is 50 HZ)
- Water bottle - in order to have as less waste as possible we encourage you to take your personal one.

There is no cash point at the venue. We recommend that teams bring some cash for spending purposes (**GBP £**). The Rally venue will have a small shop with snacks and a small bar with drinks available every evening. Wi-Fi will be available on site.

Weather

The weather in Scotland can be very changeable. We recommend you to bring an umbrella, waterproof coat, warm clothes and sunscreen. You can check the local weather closer to the time using this website www.bbc.co.uk/weather/2640358

Insurance

Participants are required to have an insurance that covers travel (including luggage), third party liability, health, and accidents. All participants should bring a European Health Card (E111). It can be ordered for free from your National Health web page/office.

Useful Information

There will be an information pack will emailed to delegates at the beginning of July.

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If you have any further questions please contact Rural Youth Europe office in office@ruralyouth europe.com

**SAYFC and Rural Youth Europe warmly invite you to attend the
European Rally 2018**