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Creating Futures Young Expert Exchange 2024

Taking charge of your own life, developing ideas for your own future and realizing them actively and sustainably: a fundamentally important skill for a successful life. A challenge for young people and for the youth homes that want to promote this self-empowerment. And the main topic of the Creating Futures Young Expert Exchange (YEE) from August 12th to 16th, 2024 at Lake Neusiedl (Austria).

At the YEE 2024, 24 young people from youth homes in Switzerland, Hungary and Austria are active regarding their own future. Together they develop their dreams, ideas and concrete strategies. They build up their self-confidence, their strengths and their confidence. Supported by experienced moderators and translators, they largely organize their exchange themselves. The 12 accompanying professionals from the youth homes meanwhile strengthen their expertise regarding the same topics in their own exchange. Both groups decide which inspirations they will carry forward into their homes. A colorful leisure programme enriches the intercultural encounters and enables new friendships.

The YEE is more than a holiday camp. In order for it to take place, an additional CHF 20,000 are needed in addition to the youth homes' own funds for holiday camps.

Make the YEE possible and empower young people to open wide the doors to their future and a self-determined, good life! Make your donation (payment slip on the next page) or recommend the YEE to your circle of friends and acquaintances, or to companies that support good social initiatives. We look forward to committed partners who will join forces with us and the young people!

The FICE (Fédération Internationale des Communautés Éducatives) has been committed to quality in alternative care for children and youth (e.g. homes, foster families, children “on the move”) since 1948. FICE Switzerland counts more than 70 youth homes and further organizations among its members, as well as 30 individual experts. The YEE is organized in collaboration with the FICE network NENESZ in Hungary and FICE Austria. FICE Switzerland is a politically and religiously independent, volunteer-run association. Donations to FICE are tax deductible at the federal and cantonal levels. <http://fice.ch> <https://www.ficeinter.net>

Creating Futures is an initiative led by Dr. Anna Schmid in collaboration with FICE Switzerland. She has developed and implemented the approach successfully with leaders, staff and more than 200 adolescent Young Experts from youth homes in Switzerland and Hungary (including three YEE). The approach combines participation and empowerment with organizational and quality development in a novel way. In doing so, it opens up new perspectives for youth homes and youth who cannot live with their families in Switzerland, Hungary and internationally. See in particular “Films and Texts” at: <http://creating-futures.net>

Voices from Young Experts on previous YEE:


It was a great feeling because I was able to exchange ideas with young people who had a similar story to me.

What I liked most was that we talked about topics that really mattered in a way that was fun and relaxing.

If you manage to take charge of your own life, you can achieve anything.

No matter how difficult and hopeless a situation seems, you can always do something about it.

Even though sometimes you feel like you're alone and no one understands you, the YEE showed me that we can talk about the same issues and understand them. That you are not alone and will never be alone.

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Please note that this payment slip is only valid for donations for the Young Expert Exchange 2024.

FICE Switzerland and its members are planning a number of further activities for 2024. In connection with Creating Futures, these include a regular participation forum for leaders, staff and young people from Swiss homes, the implementation of the Creating Futures development process in other homes, the further development of the community of practice of homes and a specialist event in which all impulses from these activities come together and are discussed in a broader circle of interested expert professionals and young experts .

Among its further activities, FICE Switzerland supports the establishment and development of other country sections of FICE International in an advisory capacity and participates in joint projects. As international delegates, FICE Switzerland board members make a significant contribution to the leadership and activities of the FICE Europe network as well as FICE International in collaboration with its further networks in more than 35 countries on five continents.

Do you have questions? Would you like to support one of these activities or the work of FICE Switzerland in general? Or even become a member of FICE Switzerland or work on our board? Then please contact Patrick Seigerschmidt or Anna Schmid at kontakt[at]fice.ch. Further information can be found at <http://fice.ch> We look forward to hearing from you!