

## CALL REGULATIONS

### INTERNATIONAL FIELDWORK CAMP: DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG STUDENTS OR MEMBERS OF YOUTH ASSOCIATIONS IN MOZAMBIQUE

**An initiative promoted by the European project “Ecoality: Youth and Local Authorities Together for Climate and Gender Justice”**

#### 1. ORGANIZING BODY

##### 1.1 European Consortium

The 'Ecoality: Youth and Local Authorities Together for Climate and Gender Justice' project is funded by the European Union (EU) and implemented across ten EU countries: Austria, Croatia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Romania, and Portugal. It is constituted by a consortium of 15 Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities, with Regione Toscana (Italy) taking the lead. As the coordinating country, Italy—also through Oxfam Italia—plays a central role in steering the initiative. The remaining project partners are ActionAid Hellas (Greece), Agenda 21 (Romania), Municipiul Bucuresti (Romania), AIDGLOBAL (Portugal), Antropológiai és Közösségi Kutató Egyesület honlapján (Hungary), Centrum Edukacji Obywatelskiej (Poland), Forum Za Slobodu Odgoja (Croatia), Institut International des droits de L'Homme et de la Paix, Région Normandie (France), Município de Loures (Portugal), Rauhan-Kasvatus-Instituutti (Finland), Südwind (Austria) and Magistrat der Landeshauptstadt Linz (Austria).

##### 1.2 Local Civil Society Organization & Local Authority

In Portugal, the implementing partner organizations of the “Ecoality” project are AIDGLOBAL and Município de Loures. AIDGLOBAL is a non-profit Non-Governmental Development Organisation (NGDO) that develops projects in the field of Development Education and Global Citizenship Education, in Portugal, and in the field of Literacy and Early Childhood Education in Mozambique. Its mission is to Act, Include and Develop through Education, because AIDGLOBAL believes that Change happens through Education.

In Croatia, the implementing partner organization of the “Ecoality” project is Forum za slobodu odgoja working closely with the City of Zagreb, an associate partner. Forum za slobodu odgoja is a well-recognized civil society organisation active since 1992. It works on harmonising the educational system in Croatia with the educational standards of modern democratic societies, guided by the principles of choice and equal access to education that enables the self-realisation of a person.

## 2. FRAMEWORK

This call is part of the project **“Ecoality: Youth and Local Authorities Together for Climate and Gender Justice”**, which seeks to raise awareness and foster a sense of shared responsibility among young European citizens. The project focuses on the interconnection and intersectionality of ecological crises and gender inequalities, emphasizing the impact of individual and collective behaviour.

The climate crisis stands as the defining challenge of our era, with complex and evolving dynamics: ecological changes, poverty and inequality intricately link and profoundly influence the following three dimensions:

1. Inequalities regarding carbon emissions.
2. Impact on affected communities.
3. Communities’ capacities to respond to the climate crises.

Both at the local level and globally, response initiatives to climate change can downplay or suppress democratic, equity-enhancing politics. Inequality among women and men and climate change (and more broadly ecological crises) are interconnected and exacerbate each other across societies, but the impacts of climate change affect women and men differently. We must address both issues to contribute effectively to climate justice. Gender often intersects with other categories of vulnerability such as race, ethnicity, sexuality, ability, etc. An intersectional approach between the environment and gender can sketch out a pathway to enable solidarity and agency across and beyond social categories. The Action adopts an ecofeminist lens to facilitate this intersectional approach. “Ecoality’s” ecofeminist lens promotes:

1. The relevance of everyone embracing cross cutting principles and values such as care, participation, non-violence, inclusion, etc. This implies shared responsibility and participation based on concepts of equity as well as equality.
2. Transforming mind-sets, skills, attitudes, actions, which are sensitive to both gender and ecological equalities.
3. Examining relationships (power and privilege) between people as well as between people and the planet, which help and hinder sustainable development.

The project aims to train and mobilise young people to commit to global challenges and strengthen their cooperation with Local Authorities (LA’s), in order to raise awareness and sensitise them to the urgency and shared responsibility of taking collective action to support and promote Climate and Gender Justice. “Ecoality” fully embraces the key role of young people as allies for the transition towards sustainable development and youth’s collective agency as one of the most significant resources to combat climate change and social inequalities among women and men.

### 3. GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIELDWORK CAMP

- Mobilise young people for ecofeminist activism.
- Raise awareness among young people and the broader community about climate justice, gender equity, and global interconnectedness through an intersectional perspective.
- Contribute to Global Education in Europe by engaging youth and wider communities on climate justice and gender equity.

#### 3.1 SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIELDWORK CAMP

- Learn about a new culture through local voices and their narratives on global crises.
- Engage in projects that promote climate justice and gender equity.
- Develop awareness of the environmental and social challenges of a country in the Global South, such as Mozambique, and learn about local strategies to combat them.
- Understand the role of NGOs (Non-Governmental Development Organizations) and activism in ecofeminism.
- Explore the relevance of public policies for ecofeminism.
- Gather firsthand insights in Mozambique to inform and develop awareness campaigns in Croatia, engaging youth and wider communities on climate justice and equity among women and men.

### 4. TARGET GROUP

Young people aged 18-29 living/studying in the **City of Zagreb**, including students and young people in non-formal settings such as volunteer groups and youth associations.

### 5. 17-DAY TRIP TO PORTUGAL AND MOZAMBIQUE

A 17-day trip including preparatory training in Lisbon, Portugal and fieldwork camp in Mozambique will be held between 21 August and 06 September 2026.

## 5.1 TRAVEL PLAN, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE FROM AUGUST 21<sup>ND</sup> TO SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 2026

- **Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026** - Depart from Zagreb, Croatia. Arrival to Lisbon, Portugal;
- **Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026:** – Training and team building in Lisbon, from 9:30AM to 6:00PM;
- **Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026:** – Travel from Lisbon, Portugal to Maputo, Mozambique (TAP – departure at 7:05PM (Lisbon), arriving at 06:45AM (Maputo), on August 24<sup>th</sup>);
- **Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026:** Rest, logistics and get to know the City;
- **Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026:** Travel to Chibuto (AIDGLOBAL location), departure at 06:00AM, arriving around 10:30AM;
- **From the August 24<sup>th</sup> to September 4<sup>th</sup> several activities will take place, between Chibuto and Maputo, such as:**
  - Visit local projects (businesses, community development initiatives, etc.) promoted by young people and/or women, which are good examples of climate change mitigation/adaptation and/or that foster gender equity;
  - Learn about success stories of female empowerment;
  - Promote a debate, together with local associations, on female empowerment and gender equity and/or climate change;
  - Collaboration with young people in various activities
- **Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026** – Departure from Maputo, Mozambique at 8:30AM (airport at 6:00AM) to Lisbon (TAP), arriving at 6:40PM, on **September 5<sup>th</sup>**;
- **Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026** - Depart from Lisbon, Portugal. Arrival to Zagreb, Croatia.

**Note:** Plan subject to change due to external and internal factors.

## 6. ACTIVITY FOR CALL WINNERS UPON THEIR RETURN FROM MOZAMBIQUE

On returning from the trip, participants will carry out one or more awareness raising activities within their local communities, with the support of Forum za slobodu odgoja and the City of Zagreb.

This action has the objective of sensitising and engaging young people and the community in general in issues related to climate justice, gender equity and global interconnection through an intersectional perspective.

Each action must be concluded by the 1st of December 2026.

Example of possible actions:

- Round-table – debate – talk;
- Street action;
- Blog or article (school or community newspapers);
- Posters or murals;
- Educational workshops;
- Educational Materials and its application,
- Podcasts or educational videos;
- Exhibition;
- Manifestos;
- Improvements of the association work plans to better integrate the promotion of ecofeminism, gender equality or climate action;
- Other.

Example of possible themes:

- Best practices of community engagement in Mozambique;
- Success stories of women empowerment in Mozambique related to climate change;
- Reflecting on how your local association or university can better integrate gender equality and climate action into their action plans, incorporating the knowledge gained in Mozambique;
- Innovative solutions that are currently addressing climate change in Mozambique.

## 7. HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Complete the **Application Form** – Provide all required information to help us understand your background and interest in the program. Fill in an application form.
- Sign and scan the **Code of conduct**;
- Write and send a **motivation letter** – Explain why you want to participate and how this opportunity aligns with your personal and professional growth. You may also share any previous experience with climate justice, gender equality, or related initiatives (such as the “Ecoality” project or similar programs), reflect on how this experience could shape your perspective and contribute to your journey of awareness and activism or describe

how you plan to apply what you learn to benefit your local community. Length: 2000 to 3000 characters.

- Submit your **CV** – Please use the Europass format.

*\*All documents must be in English.*

## 8. SELECTION CRITERIA

Motivation	Clarity and depth of motivation to participate, including commitment to climate and gender justice.
Volunteering Experience	Previous engagement in local volunteering initiatives and community work.
Communication Skills in English	Ability to effectively communicate, express ideas and engage in discussions.
Availability	Availability to actively participate in three preparatory online training (6 hours in total), on the <b>27 of May</b> (Session on Ecofeminism), <b>11 or 12 of June</b> (Session on Colonialism) and <b>14 or 15th of July</b> (Session on cultural context and Logistics).

### Notes:

- Attendance at the online training sessions is **mandatory**. However, if you are unavailable on any of the three dates indicated, please do not let that stop you from applying - get in touch with us and we will find an alternative solution.
- Selected participants will be required to sign a commitment letter.

### 8.1 PRIORITISATION CRITERIA

- Being 21 years old or older.
- Having participated in the activities of the “Ecoality: Youth and Local Authorities Together for Climate and Gender Justice” project.

- The European panel will prioritise gender equality, diverse backgrounds, and balanced age-group representation.
- Being the participant's first experience in a social project in a country from the Global South.

**Note:** The selection team will select two young people from each country.

## 9. EVALUATION

### Phase 1 - **Application**

### Phase 2 - **Application Review**

- Reviewing all applications
- Assessing formal requirements
- Evaluation of all applications according to selection criteria

### Phase 3 - **Interview**

- Organised online meetings with Ecoality project representatives to get to know candidates better
- Candidates will be selected for the interviews based on their applications
- Interviews will be held between May 25<sup>th</sup> and May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

### **Selection**

Following this, a European panel from the 'Ecoality' project partnership will make the final decision, taking into account the balance of gender, age, and diverse backgrounds.

**Note:** the selection board may ask candidates for additional information to help it assess and justify its decisions.

## 10. PANEL

In the first phase of selection, the panel consists of three employees or associates of Forum za slobodu odgoja and/or the City of Zagreb (associate partner). Following this, a European panel from the 'Ecoality' project partnership will make the final decision, taking into account the balance of gender, age, and diverse backgrounds.

The members of the selection team are obliged to keep the content of the meetings and the voting decisions of the other members confidential.

## 11. EXPENSES PAID BY FORUM ZA SLOBODU ODGOJA

### Expenses related to Mozambique:

- International travel
- Air travel insurance
- Vaccinations
- Local travel
- Meals
- Accommodation.

### Expenses related to Lisbon:

- Flight
- Local travel
- Meals
- Accommodation.

### 11.1 VISAS (eTA & eVisa)

- EU citizens are visa-exempt for tourism (up to 30 days) but must apply for an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) before traveling.
- The cost of eTA is around €10, check information [here](#)

## 12. EXPENSES PAID BY CANDIDATES

- Passport
- Traveller's consultation
- Telephone card/calls abroad
- Wi-Fi.

Any other expenses that may arise, including personal items, which the document does not specify.

### 13. CALL'S CRONOGRAM

- **Applications deadline:** May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- **Pre-selection decision:** May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026
- **Interviews:** between May 25<sup>th</sup> and May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- **Decision and acceptance communication:** June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### 14. ENROLMENT

Send your FULL application to [sstrejcek@fso.hr](mailto:sstrejcek@fso.hr), with the following attachments:

- [Application Form](#) [available on the Website]
- Signed [Code of Conduct](#) [available on the Website]
- Motivation Letter
- CV

**Note:** download templates [here](#) to fill the forms.

### 15. WITHDRAWAL

In the event of cancellation due to force majeure, the participant must provide a valid justification (e.g., medical certificate or bereavement).

If the participant does not provide a valid justification, they must reimburse Forum za slobodu odgoja for any expenses incurred.

### 16. QUESTIONS

The promoters of the call will clarify any doubts or omissions in these guidelines.

### 17. INFORMATION

For clarifications and requests for information, please contact **Sara Strejček: [sstrejcek@fso.hr](mailto:ssrejcek@fso.hr)**

**| 01/4663-503 (from 09:00 to 17:00).**