

Europe-Mobile Team 2013

Lukas Binkermann (Germany)



My name is Lukas Binkermann, I am twenty-three years-old and I was raised in southwest Germany. At the age of sixteen I had the opportunity to spend a year as an exchange student in the United States. The year I spent abroad had a huge impact on my life. Since then I have become very passionate about intercultural opportunities to further expand my experiences. After I graduated from high school I chose to enter military service and I became a candidate for Reserve Officer Training and completed that course in 2012 after which I left the service. I then began to attend University of Education in Freiburg where I have taken classes to study English, Chemistry, and Physical Education. I plan to complete my education in 2016 and pursue employment in the education field.

Lukas Brueck (Germany)



My name is Lukas Brueck, I am from Germany. I study mathematics and politics towards a secondary school degree (Gymnasiallehramt) and already work as an assistant teacher in a part-time vocational school (Haupt- und Realschule). The last two semesters I studied International Relations at Aberystwyth University (Wales). I am involved in politics on a local level as an elected Community Counselor and member of the budget and finance committees in my hometown of Mörtenbach as well as on an European level as a member of FutureLab Europe. In my free time I play beach volleyball, do rock climbing and love to discover the world, if possible by couchsurfing. I'm looking forward to enthusing pupils for politics and the European Union as this can sometimes be quite challenging during classroom lessons. I see EuropaMobil as a chance to offer pupils a diversion from the hum drum of school days with new creative teaching and learning methods while creating new points of access for pupils in a project-oriented workshop. Last but not least I'm looking forward to grasp and exchange ideas/visions with other international participants, to develop them further in a collaborative manner and finally trying them out in practice.



Alina Felder (Germany)

My name is Alina and I'm 20 years old. I'm studying *European Studies: Language, Literature and Culture* in Bavaria (Germany). It was the best decision to choose these studies because with them I can combine everything I'm interested in – different languages, history, economy, politics etc. I really like to communicate with people with different cultural backgrounds and get to know them better to improve my skills in intercultural communication. In my opinion intercultural communication is the key for the future of Europe. I want to be a part of this future with accumulating more knowledge about Europe, finding out what different meanings of 'Europe' are existing and then with passing my knowledge over to other Europeans.



Olivia Geymond (France)

My name is Olivia, I come from France and I am currently studying in the dual master's degree in European affairs between Sciences Po Paris and the London School of Economics. I have spent one year in Berlin as an Erasmus student and this experience has dramatically reinforced my interest in European affairs and in the management of European multicultural projects. I am strongly convinced that the European Union project would be meaningless without cultural, studying and working exchanges. This is why I aspire to share my experience in the framework of the Europe-Mobile project in order to encourage students to take advantage of the opportunities given by the EU and to contribute to their formation as European citizens. I am really looking forward to the beginning of the Europe-Mobile project 2013.



Dana Marisa Licsandru (Romania)

I am an international, well-rounded student of Economics and Politics at the University of Manchester, coming from Romania. As an active and passionate individual, my biggest aim is to bring a positive change in the world and leave a great impact on the people I interact with. As my interests cross over the fields of economics and politics, I was very fortunate to find a degree, which covers both of subjects, namely Economics and Politics, which lends the opportunity to keep updated with the latest changes. Having lived in both Romania and the UK, I am proud to classify myself as a European citizen that is not restricted to one country's way of thought. This thought pattern has been instilled since a young age in which I have travelled throughout Europe and engaged with various European cultures. Evidently, travelling is one of my true passions, although I am also passionate about entrepreneurship, summer camps, and particularly pets, all of species. I am truly looking forward to the Europe Mobile 2013 project and the experiences that will come with it.



Albert Meijer (Netherlands)

My name is Albert Meijer and I was born twenty-six years ago in a small town in the Netherlands. I have recently graduated from university, where I studied both Musicology and European Studies. I experienced the opportunities of the European Union first-hand, by volunteering and studying within several EU programmes, spending several semesters in Sweden, Austria and Japan. In October I'll start a traineeship in the European Commission in Brussels, at the department of Culture. In my spare time, I like to write, to indulge in my coffee-addiction or to day-dream about being in a band.



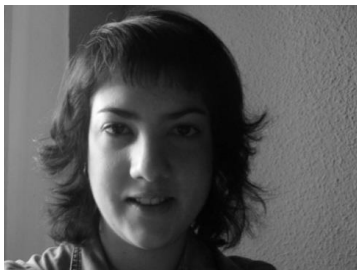
Paulius Narvydas (Lithuania)

Hey, my name is Paulius, I come from the middle of Europe - Lithuania. I am studying the most complicated subject - history. Apart from the studies, I sing in the choir of my university, volunteer in conferences, when they take place in Vilnius. Recently, I've discovered a new passion - learning foreign languages. I hope to surprise some of you of my skills or maybe get an inspiration to learn a new one!



Elena Nisiagka (Greece)

Hey!! My name is Elena and I am 21 years old. I come from Greece and I currently live in Thessaloniki, where I study English Language and Literature. I have participated in many European projects, so I am really excited that I will have the chance to be a part of such a program once again. Last semester I was an Erasmus student in Austria, where I had one of the best experiences in my life. I am very interested in environmental issues and in my leisure time I volunteer in a number of environmental organizations. I also love travelling so I am looking forward to meeting everyone in Berlin!!



Rosario Coronado Peláez (Spain)

I am Rosario Coronado and I come from Spain. I am finishing a Master's degree in Teacher Language Training as well as I am graduated in Translating and Interpreting studies. In fact, I love discovering different cultures and languages. I consider myself an open-minded and active person who is always desiring to meet new people in order to know other ways of understanding the world and to get different visions of things. That is why I am always willing to have a long conversation, to make a trip and to take part in every interesting project, plan or idea that is proposed to me. Through participating in Europe-Mobile, I would like to share my experiences and to learn from everybody's ideas at the same time. For sure, it will be a really enriching time!



Emeline Pelzer (France)

My name is Emeline Pelzer. I am a 22 year-old student from France. I am studying Cultural politics and management in Europe in Paris but I am actually from Northern France where I grew up in a farm. I am really interested in European cultural issues and, according to me, culture is one way to reinforce European identity. I just finished an internship in a European cultural network and I enjoy reading books about History, playing the piano and rock'n roll dancing.



Elina Praakel (Estonia)

My name is Elina and I come from Estonia. However, for the past six years, I have been studying abroad. I did my undergraduate degree in European Studies at the University of Essex in the U.K. and also spent a great year at the University of Trier in Germany as an Erasmus student. After my bachelor's degree, I decided to take part in the European Voluntary Service for a year and ended up working for the Town Hall of Vienne in France. This year, I finished my Master's degree in EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies at the College of Europe. As a person I am outgoing, open-minded and I like to meet new people and discover new things. I also love to travel and I am very much looking forward to spreading the European spirit among the pupils in and around Berlin!



Benoît Rinnert (France)

My name is Benoît Rinnert and I am French. I study at the European French-German Campus of Sciences Po as well as at the University of Vienna where I get passionated by international relations, political science and foreign languages. An active federalist militant, I participated in two simulations of the EU institutions as party leader and as committee chair. Moreover, I was involved in the organisation of play activities about Europe in primary schools in Nancy. I am also very interested in journalism and was the editor-in-chief of my campus' magazine last year. I love discussing and spending time with engaged and enthusiastic young people!



Andrei Rusu (Romania)

My name is Andrei, I am originally from Transylvania, Romania, but currently I am studying Politics and Economics at the University of Münster. During my studies I was interested in participating in different projects, and it was a great opportunity for enriching my personal and professional skills. I prefer those kinds of projects and non- formal activities because they represent another method of learning and achieving life experiences, being around interesting people, sharing and hearing great stories and being connected with the real life. I am positive that this project will give me the chance to meet and work with amazing people around Europe and pupils from the Brandenburg region. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there.



Robby Schönrich (Germany)

Hey, I'm studying Social Management (M.A.) and live in Berlin; so not far away from the region where Europe-Mobile takes part this year. At the moment I try to participate in different social projects to get better knowledge and experience about working with kids and teenagers. The aim is to work for or found a social organization for children and/or young persons. I have a lot of energy and like to put it into projects developing or changing something – the life and knowledge of young people; or just the world a little bit. ☺ I'm really looking forward to the start of Europe-Mobile, get to know all the other participants and of course all the youths we'll meet.



Lydia Tsakanika (Greece)

My name is Lydia Tsakanika and I come from Athens-Greece. I am in a Master's programme on Comparative Education and Quality Management and I work as a primary school teacher. I have been an Erasmus student and, during my studies, I had been participating in several educational and research programmes concerning European policy. I believe that my participation in Europe-Mobile 2013 would be a great opportunity to progress my knowledge in the area of both comparative and teacher education. I have no doubts that the workshops and the students' activities will contribute to the broadening of my cognitive horizons, which is one of my expectation in the Europe-Mobile.



Urs Unkauf (Germany)

My name is Urs, I got my high school graduation this year and in October, I begin with my studies of history and sociology in Tübingen. Besides my native language German and English, I also speak French and Spanish at a good level. Since 2009, I am member of the youth council of Hechingen where I live and since 2011 I am its vice-president. I have a lot of different interests, the most important are history, politics, economy, literature, philosophy, youth work and participation, project management, languages and culture. I like reading and traveling very much and it is important for me to combine always theory and practice of things in which I am interested. The subject of Europe is very familiar to me, I participated in several study visits, for example in France, Finland and Armenia. I am also board-member of the European Network of Local Youth Councils (ENLYC), which was the outcome of a study visit in Tampere (Finland). The principles of of peace and friendship between peoples, which are an very important part of the European idea have to be realized by ourselves. To make my contribution to that, as well as getting to know other young and active people from Europe are the reasons, why I take part in Europe-Mobile 2013.



Rebeca González Vicedo (Spain)

My name is Rebeca and I am a Spanish 25-year-old passionate about travelling and getting to know different cultures. I spent the last two years working in Dubai (United Arab Emirates) for a non-profit Spanish regional government agency aiming to strengthen economic trade and development. I am currently studying a M.A. in International and Development Economics at the University of Applied Science of Berlin (Germany). I enjoy working in multicultural atmospheres as I find it challenging but rewarding at the same time. I understand Economics as a tool to improve people's lives via development. I support cooperation among communities/countries as a powerful source of development that is one of the reasons why I believe in European integration.



Sarah Wafiq (Italy)

My name is Sarah, I'm a French citizen who was born and raised in Italy and who is a big cultures' mix herself. I'll soon be a graduate in International Relations, a Bachelor's programme which gave me a global perspective on life. I'm a travel aficionado as well as hungry for social life and international environment: my experience as simple traveller, Erasmus student, participant of an intercultural exchange project and member of a multicultural family definitely made me a tolerant and open-minded person, aware of what being a European citizen means and extremely interested in knowing new people and new realities. I look forward to meeting the Europe-Mobile Team 2013, in order to bring European awareness throughout Brandenburg, gain valuable international experience and get unforgettable memories as well as new friends!



Magdalena Walczak (Poland)

I am student of psychology at the University of Lodz (Poland). I am very fond of traveling, new experiences and meeting new people. I know how important cooperation between people is. I love working with people, helping them and showing new opportunities of life. I studied in Belgium (I did my Erasmus there). Currently I am Student Erasmus Coordinator (I am sending people abroad) and Mentor for people who come for exchanges to Poland. I am a member of some organizations (like Student Government, PSSiAP, ESN) and student clubs. Last year I was Voluntary Coordinator in Ukraine. I strongly believe in cultural cooperation across borders. I like working on creative projects and I love taking up the challenge because of that I applied for Europe-mobile. I am so glad that I can participate in this project.



Nastia Yeremenko (Belarus)

Hello, my name is Nastia Yeremenko and I come from Belarus. I think that explains everything as I believe that I am a typical Belarussian, which is an exception of the rule, because the rule is that Belarussians very rarely state their origin as it is. I graduated from linguistic college a year ago with a degree in teaching, but rather than go to school I decided to continue my education and completely changed the angle - now I am a student of European Humanities University in Vilnius and I study visual culture and creative industries. And I enjoy it immensely. The project e-mobile has appealed to me for numerous reasons, but the main one is a unique experience of course. As a Belarussian I cherish every single possibility to get acquainted with European values and become closer to "united in diversity" climate, as it is something I myself truly believe in.