

Dear participant,

You are currently participating in an exchange program supported by the Franco-German Youth Office (FGYO).

The FGYO is a Franco-German institution committed to exchange between young people from Germany and France. It is rooted in the Franco-German treaty of friendship (Treaty of Elysée) signed by German chancellor Konrad Adenauer and French president Charles de Gaulle on January 22, 1963. Since 1976, the FGYO has opened its programs to young people from countries of the European Union. Today, the FGYO also places great importance on exchange programs with third countries and focuses on the regions of Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe as well as the countries of the Mediterranean Basin. The aim is to learn from the Franco-German reconciliation process, to promote solidarity, to support intercultural learning and understanding, and to create a unified Europe through the exchange of young people.

What does the FGYO do?

The FGYO supports and organizes encounters and projects for young people. Exchanges at the school and university levels, apprenticeships, language courses, youth camps, partnerships between cities and regions, cultural and athletic encounters, scholarships for interns, voluntary work and the Franco-German voluntary service are all part of the FGYO experience. Since 1979, some of these programs, particularly in the field of training, cultural, athletic or political education encounters, have also included young people from third countries.

The FGYO online

You want to learn more about the different possibilities of Franco-German exchange? Visit our website: www.ofaj.org. You will find interesting competitions and calls for applications. In the small ads section of our website (written in French and German), with a single click you can find exchange partners, internships or jobs in France or Germany.

The FGYO is also active in social networks (Facebook and Twitter). On YouTube, you will get a vivid impression of the Franco-German encounters. Listen to the interviews with participants – maybe you will seek similar experiences or participate in an exchange or program.

FGYO's initiative in South Eastern Europe is very active on Facebook, and group members who have participated in one of the projects regularly post facts on our work, encounters and projects in the area or political and social topics of current interest (<https://www.facebook.com/DFJW-OFAJ-FGYO-Balkan-151331261633003/>).

We would be glad to welcome you to another FGYO-supported program soon.

See you soon!

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