# **FAQ: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

## Q1: Who covers the costs for the event?

This event is NOT part of a EU-funded project, but of the efforts of Lebanese Development Network (Lebanon) and Jovesolides (Spain) to provide space for building partnerships around strong project ideas for upcoming calls for proposals. Hence, the organizers will NOT cover costs for flights, accommodation or other event-related expenses for participants, who should secure them from other sources.

## Q2: What is the participation fee?

The participation fee for this event is 180 EURO per participant. If one organization sends more than one participant, a participation fee is due for each one of them.

## Q3: Why is there a participation fee?

The participation fee is calculated to cover the venue of the event, two lunches and coffee breaks for the participants, along with materials and supplies. The organizers do not expect to make profit from this event, but to cover the expenses they will make.

Q4: Can the organizers sponsor participation of some participants?

The organizers do not have the financial means to provide stipend or other type of support for individual participants. If the event is successful, we will consider such possibilities for future editions.

## Q5: How do we pay the participation fee?

Participation fee is paid only by bank transfer to the following bank account:

Partner's bank : Caixabank

Bank address: Av. Marques de Sotelo 4. 46001 VALENCIA (Spain)

Account number (IBAN): ES1721007757251300739611

SWIFT/ BIC: CAIXESBBXXX

Account holder: ASOCIACIÓN JÓVENES HACIA LA SOLIDARIDAD Y EL DESARROLLO

The reason for payment should include: CBS FEE and the name of the participant. If the fee for more than one person is made with one bank transfer, all names should be mentioned.

Example of reason for payment for 1 participant:

CBS FEE - JOHN SNOW

Example of reason for payment for 3 participants:

CBS FEE - J. SNOW, N. STARK, K. TULLEY

Once you have made the transfer, please send the proof of payment (completed transfer order, bank extract or similar) to <a href="mailto:luciasanfeliu@jovesolides.org">luciasanfeliu@jovesolides.org</a> and you will receive a confirmation for participation.

## Q6: What if I pay the fee, but do not attend?

The fee is not refundable. We will not be able to return paid fees to people unable to attend the event, regardless of the reason.

#### **PARTICIPATION**

# Q7: Can we join the event online?

No. This edition of the seminar will be fully in-person and will invest in building relationships and consortium on-spot only. We realize there is an interest in online and hybrid events and this will be considered for future editions.

## Q8: Can more than one person participate from an organization?

Yes. Up to 3 representatives per organization are welcome to join, so they can work in parallel around different project ideas.

## Q9: Are there geographical restrictions for participants?

No. However, please consider the geographical restrictions for the calls for proposal, which are a focus of the event, particularly Capacity Building projects under Erasmus+ and Interreg NEXT MED Programme. We expect most of the participants to be from European Union countries and the Mediterranean region.

# Q10: Can representatives of public authorities, private companies, schools, universities or informal groups take part?

We have no restrictions for the type of entities participants represent. Again, consider the eligibility of your entity in the call for proposals in question and decide if there are enough possibilities for your entity to join projects.

# Q11: Is there going to be a selection?

At this point we do not envision a selection, but will welcome all participants who register and pay their fee. Nevertheless, if the interest significantly surpasses our expectations and capacities, we reserve the right to close registration before the end date.

# Q12: Can we come if we don't have specific project ideas?

Yes. The description of project ideas in the registration forms are optional fields. However, our experience shows that consortium making events like this are more successful, when project ideas are already formed, so we STRONGLY ENCOURAGE

all participating organizations to shape project ideas and describe them briefly at registration stage. This will allow us to better match interests and enhance the possibilities for strong partnerships and strong project proposals.

## Q13: What is the working language of the event?

The event will be held in English.

#### **VISA-RELATED ISSUES**

## Q14: Are the organizers going to secure a visa for participants who need it?

No. Obtaining visa or other travel documentation to attend the seminar in Spain is a responsibility for each participant. We will however issue an invitation letter for every registered participant who has paid their participation fee.

#### Q15: How can I receive an invitation letter?

Once you have filled up your registration form and paid your fee, please send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:luciasanfeliu@jovesolides.org">luciasanfeliu@jovesolides.org</a>, attaching the proof of payment of the participation fee and the following details:

Full names (as in passport):

Sex (as in passport):

Passport number:

Country which issued passport:

Expiration date of passport:

Physical address:

# Q16: Who will cover my visa-related expenses?

All visa-related expenses are the responsibility of the participant.

Q17: Will I be refunded if I don't get my visa on time to take part in the seminar?

Unfortunately, no. Participation fees are not refundable.

#### **LOGISTICS**

#### Q18: Can I arrive earlier or later? Can I leave earlier or later?

It is up to you how you organize your transport and accommodation. We recommend that people arrive on February 7th, fully attend the event on February 8th and 9th and depart on February 10th 2024. Other arrangements are however possible, depending on your own travel plan and budget.

## Q19: Should I stay in a specific hotel?

No. It is completely up to your preference and budget. We have provided some recommendations which have reasonable pricing, but participants are not bound by these recommendations and can arrange their accommodation as they see fit.

## **QUESTIONS**

Q20: Who can I contact if my question is not in this document?

For other questions or concerns, please send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:luciasanfeliu@jovesolides.org">luciasanfeliu@jovesolides.org</a>.