





Live Sustainable Live Outdoors

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Portugal, Spain, Tunisia, Morocco, Lebanon, Italy Erasmus+ Youth Exchange in Scala, Amalfi Coast (Italy) 15-25th July 2019 Connecting nature and sustainable approaches to traditional outdoor games

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The Erasmus+ Youth Exchange

Welcome and enjoy!

In this booklet, we write about our experience as participants during the Youth Exchange. This includes the programme, the outdoor activities, the cultural exchange, and our personal impressions.

Best wishes,

Chafik, Chiara, Dalila, Gaia, George, Hamza, Laura, Serena, Yasmine, Younes & Hiking Guides Bechir & Cristina for the whole team

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Summary ENGLISH

"Live Sustainable, Live Outdoors", is a youth exchange in Scala (Italy) about sustainable practices, traditional games and volunteering for nature. We are from 6 different countries (Portugal, Lebanon, Italy, Morocco, Tunesia and Spain) and working togheter for a better world and raising awareness to be responsable for the health of the planet.

At the beginning we were getting to know each other with different energizers and games. We started to introduce the topic of the project with our expectations, hopes and fears. Each country group made a presentation about the country's sustainability issues and the different good practices implemented, and prepared an afternoon dedicated to outdoor games and a cultural evening. Furthermore, we made an hiking & camping trip in the mountains for one night, respecting the nature and having fun at the same time. Eventually we created an event for cleaning the town involving local people.

Each day we were working in groups creating a magazine, videos, podcasts and publishing our work in social media to be visible and raise the good social impact.

At the end of the days, we were summarizing the day and reflecting on our learnings and feelings.

The important messages we want to send are that there is no Planet B. We have to take care of this one. So be a part of the solution, not part of the pollution.

"Be the change you want to see in the world."

– Ghandi



Summary ARABIC

"Live sustainable, live outdoor" هو عبارة عن برنامج للشباب في مدينة سكالا ،إيطاليا، يتمحور تبادلي حول قضايا الممارسات المستدامة، الألعاب التقليدية وكذلك الأعمال التطوعية المتعلقة بالمجال البيئي

تونس، واسبانيا. نعمل معاً من أجل بناء عالم أفضل، وأيضاً في مجال تطوير مهارات الناس لكي يصبحوا قادرين على صون

في البداية، تعارفنا بين بعضنا البعض عن طريق المشاركة بألعاب جماعية تتضمن تدريبات وطرق تواصل. ثم بدأنا في الدخول إلى في نهاية كل يوم، كنا نختم أنشطتنا بعرض خلاصة شاملة حول محاور وحلقات التدريب المخضض ضمن البرنامج، فكانت لدينا كلُّ ما تعلمناه واكتسبناه، وايضاً حول انطباعاتنا ومشاعرنا حول الفرصة للتعبير عن توقعاتنا وتمنايتنا ومخاوفناً ضمن فترة التدريب

ليس لدينا كوكب آخر للاهتمام به والحفاظ عليه. نحن قام الممثلون عن كل بلد بتقديم عرض حول الممارسات والأعمال كشباب يجب أن نكون جزءاً من الحل وليس جزءاً من المشكل. التطوعية والأنشطة المرتبطة بالقضايا البيئية في بلده، كما تمت المشاركة في بعض الألعاب التقليدية ، خلال الأمسيات الثقافية التي

كونوا أنتم التغيير الذي تودون رؤيته في هذا العالم!

Ghandi -



أتاحت لكل مشارك التعريف ببلده وخصوصياته

كذلك قمنا برحلة مشى في الجبال وبتنا فيها ضمن خيم صغيرة، فقضينا أجمل الأوقات ومرحنا كثيراً وكانت أيضاً فرصة للتقرب من الطبيعة واحترامها. أما النشاط التالي فتضمن حملة لتنظيف أحياء مدينة سكال بمشارة من ابنا المدين لذين رحبوا بالمشاركين. يمثل المشاركون 6 بلدان وهي: البرتغال، لبنان، إيطاليا، المغرب، وكنا في كل يوم نعمل ضمن مجمو عات بهدف إنشاء مواد مصورة ومكتوبة ومدونات صوتية لنشر هذه الأعمال في مواقع التواصل الاجتماعي ، لتكون فرصة للتواصل مع اكبر قدر ممكن من صحة كوكبنا مصلحتنا الإنسانية. الناس بغرَّض ترك بصمتنا و التأثير بشكل إيجابي على الجميع.

أمور حدثت معنا

Summary ITALIAN

"Live Sustainable, Live Outdoors" è uno scambio giovanile a Scala (Italia) sulle pratiche sostenibili, giochi tradizionali e volontariato per la natura. Siamo 6 nazioni (Portogallo, Libano, Italia, Marocco, Tunisia e Spagna) che lavorano insieme per un mondo migliore e per rendere le persone consapevoli di essere responsabili per la salute del pianeta.

All'inizio stavamo cominciando a conoscerci con diversi energizer e giochi. Abbiamo iniziato introducendo gli argomenti del progetto con le nostre aspettative, speranze e paure.

Ogni nazione ha fatto una presentazione su come la sostenibilità è, e le differenti abitudini che ogni Paese ha; giochi all'aria aperta di pomeriggio e serate culturali di ogni nazione. In seguito abbiamo fatto una gita in montagna con campeggio, rispettando la natura e divertendoci contemporanaemente. Abbiamo creato anche un evento per pulire il paese coinvolgendo anche i cittadini locali.

Ogni giorno abbiamo lavorato in gruppo creando una rivista, dei video, podcast e pubblicando, i nostri lavori su un social media per avere più visibilità e creare un buon impatto sociale. Alla fine di ogni giornata, sintetzzavamo l'andamento delle attività e riflettavamo su ciò che avevamo imparato e sulle nostre emozioni.

Non c'è nessun Pianeta B. Dobbiamo prenderci cura di questo!

Sii parte della soluzione, non dell'inquinamento.

"Sii il cambiamento che vuoi vedere nel mondo" - Ghandi



Summary PORTUGESE

"Live Sustainable, Live Outdoors", é um intercâmbio juvenil em Scala (sobre práticas sustentáveis, jogos tradicionais e voluntariado para a natureza. Nós somos 6 países (Líbano, Itália, Marrocos, Tunísia e Espanha) trabalhando juntos para um mundo melhor e incentivar outras pessoas a serem responsáveis pela saúde do planeta.

Começámos por nos conhecer uns aos outros com diferentes energizantes e jogos. Começámos a introduzir o tema do projeto com as nossas expectativas, esperanças e medos.

Cada país fez uma apresentação sobre como a sustentabilidade é e diferentes práticas que o país tem, tardes de jogos ao ar livre e noites culturais de cada país. Mais ainda, nós fizemos uma caminhada nas montanhas e acampamento, respeitando a natureza e tendo divertimento ao mesmo tempo. Criámos um evento para a limpeza da cidade envolvendo pessoas locais.

Cada dia estávamos a trabalhar em grupos criando uma revista, vídeos, podcasts e publicando o nosso trabalho nas redes sociais para aumentar a visibilidade e criar um bom impacto social.

Nos dias finais, resumimos e refletimos sobre a nossa aprendizagem e sentimentos.

Não há Planeta B. Temos de cuidar deste.

Se uma parte da solução, não da poluição.

"Se el cambio que quieres ver en el mundo" - Ghandi



Summary SPANISH

"Live Sustainable, Live Outdoors" es un intercambio juvenil en el pueblo de Scala (Italia) sobre practicas sostenibles, juegos tradicionales y trabajos voluntarios para cuidar la naturaleza. Participan 6 paises diferentes (Portugal, Libano, Italia, Marruecos, Tunisia y Espana) trabajando por un mundo mejor y crear conciencia en la sociedad para ser responsables por la salud del planeta.

Al principio del proyecto hacemos juegos y dinamicas para conocernos mejor. Seguimos introduciendonos en el tema del proyecto expresando nuestras expectativas, esperanzas y miedos.

Cada dia cada pais hace una presentacion sobre como funciona la sostenibilidad y las diferentes practicas que cada pais hace,por las tardes jugamos a juegos tradicionales y por la noche un evento cultural donde cada pais presenta sus costumbres y tradiciones. Ademas hacemos una experiencia de senderismo y acampar respetando la naturaleza y divirtiendonos al mismo tiempo. Como tambien un evento para limpiar el pueblo involucrndo a la gente local.

Cada dia trabajamos en grupos pequenos creando una revista, un podcast y un video sobre el proyecto y vamos pueblicando al mismo tiempo todo el trabajo en las redes sociales para hacer nuestro trabajo visibrle y crear un buen impacto social.

Al final de todos los dias reflexionamos sobre lo que hemos aprendido y como nos hemos sentido.

No hay un Planeta B, tenemos que cuidar este. Ser parte de la solucion no de la contaminacion.

"Se el cambio que quieres ver en el mundo" - Ghandi



About sustainability

By Laura

What is sustainability?

Sustainability is about the avoidance of the depletion of natural resources in order to maintain an ecological balance.

Sustainability is often defined as "Meeting our present needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" (Brundtland Commission 1987).

Most people primarily associate sustainability with environmental conservation but it has three components: environmental conservation, social responsibility, and economic development.

So there are three pillars of sustainability: Environment | Society | Economy



Examples:

 Store food without plastic 	Zero waste
Outdoor practices	Recycling
 Go vegetarian/ vegan or be aware from where we get the meat/fish 	 Bike/foot vs. transport that makes pollution
 Eco-garden/local market 	Make compost



Reduce – reuse – recycle: Actions from the project

Hiking and camping + recycling

Ecofriendly activity outdoor with a lot of benefits spending at least one night in the wilderness, usually at a designated backcountry campsite or trail shelter far from the city.

Some important things to consider.

•Before the activity, make people aware how to protect the nature and make a packing list.

•During the outdoor practice, separate recyclables and burnable waste and build collection points.

•At the end of the trip pack the trash and find a bin. If you cannot find any take the trash home.

•Picking the trash in the village (Scala) #trashchallenge

As volunteers, we created a public event "Let's go clean the nature".

The day before the action we made a Facebook event to let people from the town know and involve them in the activity. This is the first part of awareness raising to not throw rubbish to public places.

The day of the event we met at the meeting point, some people from the town joined us, and we took garbage bags and gloves. We split into 2 groups and we started the cleaning activity.

We discovered the town was no so dirty and most of the trash we found was cigarettes butts.

This kind of activity can motivate another people to pick the trash in public places when they are going to a walk or practices sport. But we also change ourselves, because now we are more aware and responsible with the nature.

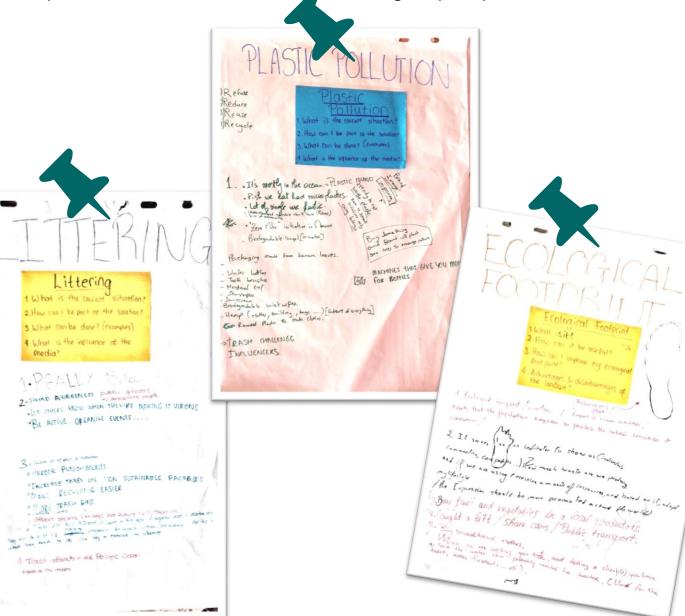
There is also a hashtag (#trashtag #trashchallenge) where people post pictures in social media before (when the place is dirty) and after (when they clean it) their cleaning activity.





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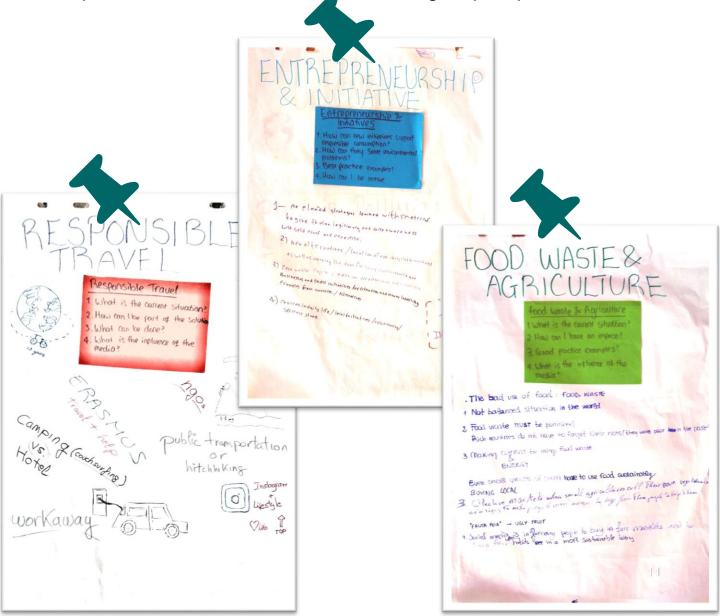
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Erasm(us)+

By Chiara, Gaia and Serena

The population in Scala is divided in three categories at least: the ones who do manual work, for example agriculture and farming, the ones who go elsewhere to practice their work, and the ones who deal with the touristic sector of economy, who are the majority. In Scala this area is characterized mostly by the presence of holiday houses, which serve mainly as places to sleep for tourists, because they spend their days in other parts of the Amalfi Coast.

Therefore, Scala isn't a big tourist destination, because over the years, unfortunately, the potential of the area hasn't been used properly by the population.

In Scala there are many breathtaking places. Indeed, there are "Valle delle Ferriere", "Torre dello Ziro", and "Sant'Eustachio" which are the main touristic destinations.

However, during this summer, for the first

time an Erasmus+ project has been organised in Scala, whose main subject of discussion was how to live sustainably. This represents a completely new experience for this little village.

Many activities and workshops have been carried out about this topic and even though the main goal of this wasn't to attract other tourists, eventually this will happen, too.

Six people from each of the five foreign countries (Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia, Lebanon) arrived in Italy and for eleven days, together with the local participants they did a lot of activities, such as discussions about the environment, task forces, traditional evenings, events and group games.

This was a great opportunity for us young people to confront each other's cultures, to make new friends and learn about sustainability.



AMAZING CAMPING

By Chafik and Hamza

Since a young age, camping has always been on top of our "to do" list. We kept daydreaming about it until we finally gained enough strength and modest experience which allowed us to live through such an experience which can truly be life-changing.

It was a sunny Thursday, that's when we went together with friends to do shopping for our first-time camping experience. One of our friends, Oussama, is a reference when it comes to camping, so there was nothing to be afraid of. We bought all the necessary things and prepared together with our friends Serena and Gaia.

We prepared ourselves to bring with us a backpack, a sleeping bag, some food, water and other useful tools.

Friday's morning felt misty, and the journey started. We left our accommodation and choose the road towards 'Torre dello Ziro", the sun was shining strongly on our backs as we were walking. The distance was very long, amazingly we didn't get tired at all, and the mixture of grass, trees and plants from around us was very particular.

It has been two marvelous days at "Torre dello Ziro". The atmosphere there was predominantly amazing. We had so much fun camping and sharing stunning memories. Even though after all it was indeed quite tiring, still we enjoyed it so much and we feel we learned a lot, such as how to build a tent and how to make fire.



How we play

By George

... And they said we will be quite different. But one thing has unconsciously bonded us all in this experience at the Erasmus+ youth exchange program entitled " Live Sustainable, Live Outdoors", in Scala, south of Italy. It is neither food nor culture, but the games that united us all. It is obvious that one as a child tends not to have any boundaries when playing games.

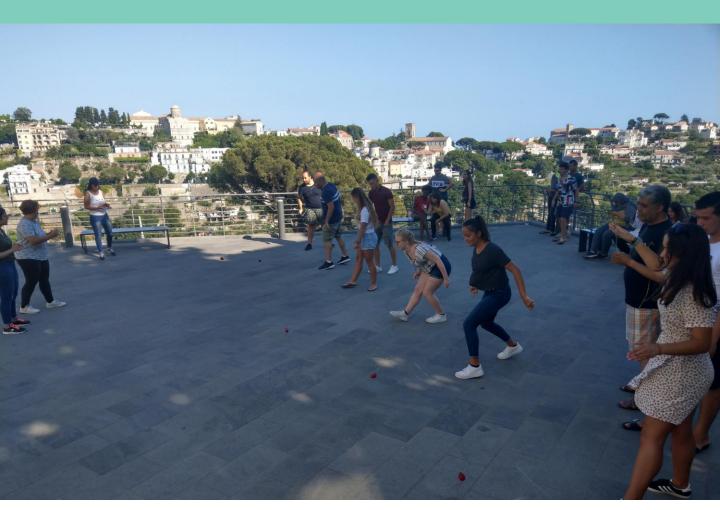
In this youth exchange, participants from Lebanon, Morocco, Spain, Tunisia, Portugal and Italy had to prepare games that reminded them of their childhood back in their own countries. So every day groups representing each country had to prepare different games from their past. The games were all outdoor games and included the use of balls, trombone, sticks, etc... We even played musical chairs and treasure hunt.

After a couple days we, as participants, noticed that the majority of the games that each country was preparing were known and played by everyone as children. It acted as a bridge between all those involved in the activities showing that playing has no cultural boundaries or borders.

And here below are a few photos showing these games and how there is no difference between each of the countries' games and activities.















CULTURAL NIGHTS

By Yasmine, Younes and Dalila

Portugal

On the first day, the Portuguese team organized their traditional evening. First, they started with a presentation of the most beautiful places to visit in Portugal. Everyone was fascinated by the beautiful views and monuments of different cities, for example Porto, Lisbon, Algarve and Guimaraes.

Then, there was a quiz in which the participants were divided into 4 groups. This quiz had the objective to see the knowledge

of the participants about the country. The participants learned a lot about Portuguese culture and history.

After that, it was time for food. The Portuguese team brought some wine, sweets and typical sausages. They also showed their typical way to cook *linguicas*. It was an amazing show with flames. Finally, the evening had a fun ending. Everyone was dancing to the traditional music and enjoying the different types of food.



Lebanon

The second night was the time for Lebanon to show their culture. The team started by giving the other participants some facts about the country, with the participants having to agree or not.

They showed us videos about the country, the culture, the beautiful views and the night life. After that, one member of the team focused on the work of AMEL Association. This association has been working for the past 40 years in Lebanon with vulnerable communities, implementing activities in the sectors of health, education, protection, livelihood, food security and human rights.

In the last part of the evening, they presented some typical food they had prepared before. A typical pizza called "Manoucha", dried fruits, biscuits called "Baqlawa" and "Debka" which is also the name of their traditional dance.

They taught the group how to dance belly dance and everybody had a great time.



Morocco

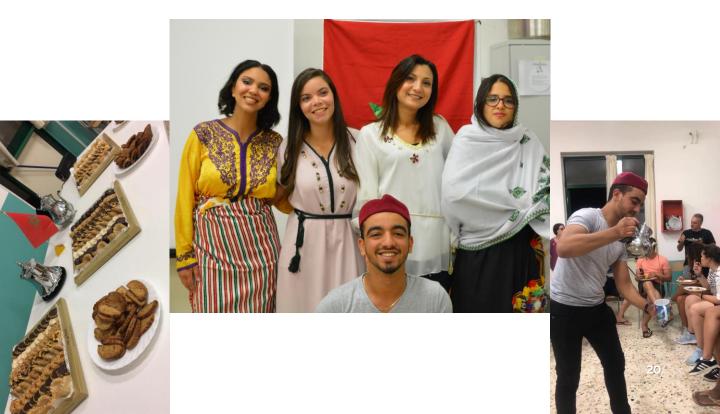
In the third evening, Moroccan prepared their cultural night. They began questioning the participants about some facts of Morocco. The participants were divided into 4 groups, trying to guess the right answer. It was an opportunity to give them a global idea about culture and history of Morocco. To give more information about their country, they made a which showed presentation the most cities, beautiful historical monuments. traditional clothes and food. Every member of

the team was wearing traditional clothes.

After that, they showed us a Best-Of of a traditional Moroccan wedding. Everyone was amazed by the show and the culture.

Then, the Moroccan team prepared a typical tea for everyone and they served it with a lot of different biscuits.

In the end, it was time for having fun! Everyone enjoyed Moroccan music and their typical dances.



Italy and Spain

It was time to Italy and Spain present the participants with the fourth international evening

First, the Italian team brought the dinner. They started with Pizza Margherita and then *"Parmigiana di Melenzane"*, a typical dish with the same format of lasagna.

The night had special guests, the Mayor of Scala and the vice-mayor made an appearance to greet the participants of the project.

The team started with a quiz about Italy and they even sang the national hymn during the evening.

By the end, they presented the participants with a video about Amalfi Coast and touristic places.

Later in the evening, it was time to know a bit more about Spain .

The team started with an online quiz, to show some stereotypes about the country and the participants discovered interesting facts. Next, they showed videos about Spain and their city Málaga.

For the night, they brought typical food and sangria, a mixture of red wine with fruits. There were *"salsichón de pavo"*, a type of meat, and cheese and biscuits for everyone to taste. Later on, they showed some dance moves and taught the participants how to dance *"Macarena"*, a famous choreography. One of the members of team also sang a beautiful song in their national language.









Tunisia

In the last international evening, the Tunisian team was in charge of the party.

When we entered the room, we felt like we were in a restaurant, because of the traditional music and the tables set with traditional food. They had prepared Couscous and a vegetable salad, and it was an opportunity to taste a little of Tunisia.

After this delicious dinner, the team asked other participants about what came to their mind when they heard Tunisia. The answers were various, some of them were right and others wrong. Next, they showed us a video about beautiful regions of the country and the main places to visit. Also, in their presentation they introduced us to their typical food and discussed about political situation and women's rights.

Finally, they ended the night with traditional music and dances, while we were tasting their typical biscuits, dates and *"Bsissa"*.



INTERVIEW WITH VINCENZO SANNINO

By George and Dalila

Our team interviewed Vincenzo Sannino, also known as Enzo, and we found interesting facts about the President of ACARBIO.

Hello Enzo! Could you introduce yourself?

I am from the area of Tramonti. I worked for 20 years in the finance. I first worked in a national bank and then I worked for an international corporation that deals with finance. I left all of this work and wanted to start something new. Even at a late age, and while everyone was not encouraging around me, and would not understand why I would leave my career, I started ACARBIO. Now, 10 years later, the association has grown, and I feel very lucky to work in these great cooperation and with very motivated collegues.

What is ACARBIO and what does it do?

ACARBIO started in 2009 with only an idea on preserving the area of the Amalfi Coast through the encouragement and creation of a Biosphere reserve in the area. At start, it was difficult because we had no skills in getting the funds we needed for out project and every time we were writing project proposals, they were rejected many times. Now today, with all the expertise that we have we are able to implement a variety of projects.

We are also working on a side project/ startup concerning tomatoes and preserving the different types/species of tomatoes of the region of Amalfi. The startup is called "Effecto Costiera" which stands for Coastal Effect. It has been producing tomato products such as sauces and we are currently exporting most of our products to the USA and Canada.

What is the main purpose/objective behind ACARBIO?

The main objective of ACARBIO is to promote the idea of having Coastal Amalfi as a Biosphere reserve, where man and nature coexist together. This means that the area would act as a natural reserve with the addition of the human aspect. We have been working so hard on achieving our goals. Recently it has been difficult due to changes in the politicians of the area. They each have different points of view and it is not easy to convince them. Another objective we are working on is promoting and preserving the traditions and cultures of our area. Amalfi. Our area is built all based on terraces for agriculture and in recent years, it is becoming more and more difficult to plant in them as labor cost is becoming more expensive and machinery is usually prepared for large flat lands. But, at the same time in

these terraces we are producing one of the best organic and top quality fruits and vegetables of the region. So we focus on this and try to promote the products to support the area.

What is the event that we are attending now and what is the main purpose behind it?

This event is a series of workshops and activities for 10 days under the title of "Live Sustainable, Live Outdoors". It is currently located in the town of Scala of the Amalfi coast. The event consists of 36 participants from Lebanon, Portugal, come Spain, Tunisia, Morocco and Italy. And the main idea is to mix youths from different cultural backgrounds and to share their different opinions and backgrounds while focusing on ACARBIO's objectives that include sustainability and nature. The participants, coming from various backgrounds, cultures, and religions live all together for these 10 days and learn from each other different techniques on how to preserve nature and live in a sustainable way. And thus with this mix of culture, the participants are able to go back to their own countries and act towards a more sustainable living while implementing ideas they learnt from others.





WHY SHOULD YOU GO FOR A HIKING?

By the Hiking Guides Bechir and Cristina for the team

Nowadays we are surrounded by stress, noise and pollution. Also, we are used to spend a lot of time sitting in an office. We are not connected to nature.

So here we give you a good idea on how to disconnect from busy life and reconnect with yourself: <u>you can go</u> <u>hiking.</u>

The benefits of hiking are that it will

make you feel active and connected to nature. It can help you to renew your energy. Also, you will find beautiful landscapes.

But before going for a hiking, it is important to organize the hiking properly, so you can enjoy it more without any bad surprise, and really connect with nature and yourself.



WHY SHOULD YOU GO FOR A HIKING?

By the Hiking Guides Bechir and Cristina for the team

Luckily, we prepared a list with some good advices for you, that could be useful if you are thinking about going to hike.

- 1. Study the route and the camping site before going. Aanimals & plants and if there are dangerous ones as well.
- 2. Pack the proper luggage. Don't take too many or too heavy hings. The priorities are FOOD AND WATER.
- 3. Prepare a first aids kit.
- 4. Even if you check the weather, you have to carry a rain jacket.
- 5. Wear proper shoes and comfortable clothes. Also, have some spare clothes.
- 6. It would be interesting that you make a survival kit with lighter, flashlight, knife, ropes,....
- 7. Make a packing list to revise it before going and before leaving the place to check you are not forgetting anything.
- 8. If you are going as a group, you should be well connected.
- 9. Try to find a good place for toilets.
- 10. DONT DIRTY THE NATURE.



10 Tipps

for your

hike

"Take nothing but memories. Leave nothing but footprints."

- Chief Seattle



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The Erasmus+ Youth Exchange

Dedicated to all sustainability innovators, outdoor passionates and nature friends. Be inspired and inspire others.

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