Dear Colleagues,

We are excited to extend an invitation to you and your staff to participate in our upcoming 1st International Staff Week at Yerevan State University on "*Internationalization and Cross-Cultural Communications*". The event is scheduled to take place from *October 7 to October 11, 2024*, and promises to be an enriching and collaborative experience for all involved.

During Staff Week, we will be offering a series of workshops, training sessions and networking opportunities designed to foster professional growth, enhance team dynamics, and promote knowledge sharing within our organization. In addition to the structured program, there will also be ample opportunities for informal discussions and social activities to encourage cross-departmental collaboration and relationship-building among staff members. We believe that participation in Staff Week will not only benefit individual staff members by enhancing their skills and knowledge but also contribute to the overall success and effectiveness of our organization as a whole.

We are sharing with you a draft agenda outlining the activities planned for Staff Week and the Application Form. We kindly ask that you distribute this information among your staff and encourage them to submit their application by **June 23, 2024**.

The participation fee for Staff Week is 100 Euro, which includes coffee breaks, one Dinner and cultural events in Yerevan and outside the city.

Should you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at staffweek@ysu.am.

We look forward to welcoming you and your staff to what promises to be a productive and enjoyable Staff Week.

Warm regards,

YSU International Cooperation Office

1st International Staff Training Week

Internationalization and Cross-Cultural Communications

Yerevan State University

7th-11th October 2024

Sunday, October 6

Arrival of Participants

Monday, October 7

- 09:30 10:00 Registration
- 10:00 11:30 **Official Welcome** by YSU Officials

Welcome and presentation of Yerevan State University

Prof. Dr. Alexander Markarov, Head, International Cooperation Office

- 11:30-12:00 Coffee Break
- 12:00-14:00 Presentations by representatives from the participating universities
- 14:00-15:00 Welcome Launch
- 15:00-17:00 Presentations by representatives from the participating universities

Tuesday, October 8

- 09:30 10:30 Erasmus+ Mobilities: Experiences of YSU and 2 Partner Universities
- 10:30-11:30 YSU Double Diploma Programs: Challenges and Opportunities
 Dr. Anna Poladyan, Head, Chair of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Biotechnology
 Dr. Kristine Gevorgyan, Coordinator, Center for European Studies
- 11:30 11:45 American Studies CenterDr. Vahagn Aglyan, Head, Chair of Public Administration
- 11:45-12:15 Networking Coffee Break
- 12:15-12:30 Russian Language Courses

Dr. Diana Gazarova, Dean of the Faculty of Russian Philology

12:30 – 12:45 Persian Language Summer School at YSU

Prof. Vardan Voskanyan, Head, Chair of Iranian Studies

Dr. Nunik Darbinian, Assistant Professor, Chair of Iranian Studies

- 12:45 13:30 Visit to YSU Museum
- 13:30-14:30 Lunch
- 14:30 15:30 Visit to the Matenadaran- Mesrop Mashtots Research Institute of Ancient Manuscripts

Wednesday, October 9

- 10:00 12:00 Posters + Fair
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch
- 13:00 14:00 Armenia at Crossroad of Civilizations

Narek Galstyan, Associate Professor, Chair of Political Sciences, Faculty of International Relations

Sargis Grigoryan, Head, Department of Armenian-Kurdish Relations, Institute for Armenian Studies

- 14:00-14:30 Coffee Break
- 14:30-15:30 *Roman Karapetyan,* Associate Professor, Chair of International Relations of Diplomacy, Faculty of International Relations

Naira Poghosyan, Associate Professor, Chair of Turkic Studies, Faculty of Oriental Studies

15:30 - 16:00 Questions and Answers

Thursday, October 10

- 10:00 11:00 ESN Yerevan
- 11:00 12:00 Erasmus+ experiences

Dr. Marine Arakelyan, Head, Chair of Zoology, Faculty of Biology YSU students

12:00 – 13:00 Meetings in YSU Units

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00 - Visit to the Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute

Friday, October 11

10:00 - Trip to the Temple of Garni and Monastery of Geghard

Farewell Dinner

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Application Form

1. Name
2. Surname
3. Contact email
4. Gender
Male
Female
5. Country
6. Institution
7. Position in the institution

8. Diet preferences

none

vegetarian Yes 🗆 No 🗆

9. Will you take part in a trip to the Temple of Garni and Monastery of Geghard?

Yes □

No \square