

# Think GLOBAL, Act LOCAL

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A youth exchange project called „Think GLOBAL, Act LOCAL” will be in Zaļenieki, Latvia during 27<sup>th</sup> June till 3<sup>rd</sup> of July, 2011. Project „Think GLOBAL, Act LOCAL” will last for 7 days, where all together 24 persons, 8 from each country – Latvia, Serbia and Republic of Macedonia, will meet to widen vision for youth from rural areas and in this way promoting development of rural territories. The main themes of whole project are – to motivate youth in rural areas to participate in decision making process and to wider way of thinking for development of their rural territories. The non-formal education methods as also “Open Space” sessions will be used during the implementation of project to reach the tasks - to discover rural youth life in other countries, promoting to “Think GLOBAL” and to motivate youth to spend more effective their spare time – to “Act LOCAL”.

## ***Project tasks:***

- To get to know other youth experience in living and acting in rural areas;
- To make simple village development plan;
- To stimulate creative approach for solving everyday tasks by using non-formal learning methods;
- To promote sustainable development way of thinking using renewable energy and recycling waste;
- To create and promote belonging to Europe.

Main theme of the project is rural youth, sub-themes are:

- Leisure time;
- Cultural diversity, similarity and braking the stereotypes;
- Youth as a part of society in rural areas, sustainable development of territories using local sources;
- Development of team work and leadership skills;
- Equality independently from type of education institution;
- Belonging to Europe, decision making process in local-regional-national-European level.

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