We are looking for two trainers for:

**3rd European Rural Youth Summit 2025 (ERYS 3.0)**

26 – 30 August 2025 | Slovakia

Expected arrival of trainers: August 24, 2025

**1. Summit**

The **goal** of the summit is to empower rural youth across Europe by promoting well-being, fostering cross-cultural understanding, and facilitating dialogue between young people and European decision-makers.

**Objectives:**

* Expand the European Youth Village model to a broader European context, building a strong framework for sustainable rural youth leadership and community-driven development while ensuring local relevance in diverse rural settings.
* Equip rural youth with the knowledge, skills, and platforms to actively participate in policy-making processes, advocating for their specific needs and well-being at both national and European levels.
* Create opportunities for direct dialogue and collaboration between rural youth and European decision-makers, fostering mutual understanding and building long-term partnerships that contribute to more youth-centric policies.
* Generate a comprehensive policy recommendation, ensuring it reflects the voices of young people and the realities of rural life across Europe.

**Expected Profile of Participants:**

* Rural youth from across Europe: Young people aged 16-30 who live in or come from rural areas in Europe. They can be students, workers, entrepreneurs, or activists passionate about rural development and committed to making a difference in their communities.
* Experts and practitioners in the rural youth sector: Youth workers, community organizers, and representatives of non-governmental organizations interested in scaling the European Youth Village program in their countries. Other professionals with a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing rural areas in Europe are also welcome.
* Policymakers and decision-makers: Representatives from the European Union, national and local governments, and organizations involved in rural development and youth policy. They will be invited to engage in dialogue with rural youth and gain insights into their perspectives and experiences.

**2. Requested Trainer Profile**

We are looking for a candidate who will ensure a structured, engaging, and impactful summit, from preparation to follow-up.

**Required Qualifications:**

* Strong background in youth work, rural development, or community engagement.
* Ability to lead engaging sessions, guide discussions, and create interactive learning environments.
* Experience in stakeholder mapping, invitation preparation, and liaising with decision-makers.
* Skilled in drafting agendas, designing event concepts, and ensuring smooth execution.
* Effective communication skills, including participant engagement, providing updates, and handling inquiries.
* Competence in developing learning resources, promotional materials, and visibility content.
* Capacity to contribute to policy recommendations and compile participants’ insights with a research team.
* Experience in managing facilitators, coordinating activities, and ensuring alignment with the event’s objectives.
* In-depth knowledge of Erasmus+ Youth and European Solidarity Corps programmes and familiarity with youth-related policy-making processes.
* Ability to work in an international and multicultural environment.
* Fluency in spoken and written English, as it is the working language of the summit.

Priority will be given to candidates with experience in facilitating training sessions, study visits, and large conferences.

**3. Methodology**

The European Rural Youth Summit (ERYS 3.0) will adopt an interactive and participatory approach to engage rural youth, experts, and policymakers in meaningful dialogue. The summit will feature workshops, panel discussions, and group work to explore challenges related to rural youth well-being and intercultural dialogue.

Key methodologies include:

* Strategic planning sessions to develop concrete actions.
* High-level dialogues with decision-makers to encourage collaboration and policy development.
* Networking events, study visits, and cultural exchanges to foster cross-border partnerships and mutual understanding.

Through a mix of interactive discussions, practical learning, and policy-focused activities, the summit aims to empower rural youth and strengthen their role in shaping European policies.

**4. Work conditions and selection procedure**

Candidates must be available for the full duration of the summit. The educational team will consist of two trainers. The trainer’s fee is 280 EUR/day, calculated for 14 days (10 days for preparation, 3 days for the summit, 1 day for follow-up activities, evaluation and reporting). Total fee is 3 920 EUR (including travel costs).

Applications should be sent until **April 7, 2025** (midnight) by email to **boris.kolman@nivam.sk.** Selection process will be concluded by April 11, 2025.