



# FAMILY – INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE

**European Youth Workshop and Conference for young people aged 18-30**

**Brussels, 27-28 June 2016**

The Confederation of Family Associations in the Carpathian Basin is organizing a youth workshop and conference on family issues on 27-28 June 2016 in Brussels. The one-and-a-half-day workshop is a preparation for the conference to be held in the European Parliament, in co-operation with Mr György Hölvényi (Member of the European Parliament).

This **European Youth Workshop and Conference** is following the steps of the **European Youth Weekend (EYW)** held in Budapest in February 2016 and will be centered around the values, challenges, psychological aspects, career-related issues of family as seen today and visioned for the future. As it was declared by the young participants of the European Youth Weekend: *“Families are Europe’s treasure, and are the future in a country.”*

**The European Youth Workshop and Conference** is an intensive two-day program on Monday 27 June and Tuesday 28 June. Participants should be prepared to arrive in Brussels on Sunday 26 June and depart on Wednesday 29 June.

Members of the winning team of the EYW are entitled to take part in the program for free, without formal application, but they are also required to express their wish to participate. In addition to these 10 people, we offer further 40 places for young people from all around Europe.

Speakers of the conference, and partly also in the workshop, will represent both the civil and the political side, giving insight into current issues and tendencies as well as challenges effecting marriage and family life, psychological aspects of marriage, talking about issues of family and career. A survey will be given about trends of family policy in Europe.

The workshop will give a forum to young participants to speak about their thoughts and motifs regarding family and their future and express how they would like to accomplish their hopes concerning their own family lives. They will have an opportunity to discuss what family policies are needed on the political side to develop a positive view of the role of the family as the best investment of the society into the future. Participants will also discuss how pro-family civil organizations can promote these issues, and they will be asked to propose solutions as well.

## WHERE AND HOW

The European Youth Workshop will be held in the Hungarian Cultural Institute, Brussels, whereas the Conference will take place at the European Parliament, Brussels. The working language of the event is English, therefore a high command of English is required.

**The following expenses of successful applicants will be covered by the organisers:**

- accommodation during the programme (26-29 June, 3 nights);
- buffet lunch on Monday and Tuesday, dinner on Monday (be prepared to have some meals at your own expense);
- local travel pass for public transportation (Monday and Tuesday).

**Please note:** the cost of travel is *not* covered by the organizers; travel to/from Brussels should be arranged on your own. However, we offer **need-based cover of travel costs** to a limited number of applicants. An applicant requesting consideration for need-based travel ticket purchase by the organisers should mark his/her request in the application form. The Confederation of Family Associations in the Carpathian Basin will try to do its best to cover the travel costs for some selected applicants.

## HOW TO APPLY

For a successful application, you will need the following:

- you should be aged from 18 to 30,
- you should speak fluent English
- you need to fill in the application form,
- you should answer all the questions in the form,
- last but not least, you should be convinced that your voice matters in shaping the future of families in Europe.

You can download the application form from here:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Vv4uaKwIFnsVACPJndhRRwV\\_fmEP5I7YlwVwE3mqX9c/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Vv4uaKwIFnsVACPJndhRRwV_fmEP5I7YlwVwE3mqX9c/viewform?usp=send_form)

**Application deadline is Thursday 18 May 2016.** Late applications will not be considered. Applicants will be informed about the selection results no later than 25 May 2016.

For further information, please contact one of the following email addresses: [hubabruckner@gmail.com](mailto:hubabruckner@gmail.com) or [mihalfy@kcssz.hu](mailto:mihalfy@kcssz.hu).

The Confederation of Family Associations in the Carpathian Basin wishes a successful application.

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