



# Beyond Borders' Youth Camp

ERASMUS+ YOUTH EXCHANGE IN VECMUIZA, LATVIA



# Brief Description of the Youth Exchange

“Culture takes diverse forms across time and space. This diversity is embodied in the uniqueness and plurality of the identities of the groups and societies making up humankind. As a source of exchange, innovation and creativity, cultural diversity is as necessary for humankind as biodiversity is for nature. In this sense, it is the common heritage of humanity and should be recognised and affirmed for the benefit of present and future generations.”  
Article 1 UNSECO Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity.

For a society to become really intercultural, every social group must be able to live in the conditions of equality regardless of their culture, lifestyle or origin. This means reconsidering not only how we interact with cultures which seem strange to our own, but also how we interact with minorities who face many forms of intolerance and discrimination. Intercultural education is one of the main tools we have nowadays to help us take advantage of the opportunities offered by multicultural societies.

Lack of intercultural understanding often leads to racial discrimination, intolerance, denigration and violence locally and globally. The nowadays conflicts in the world are sad illustrations of the problems that can arise from an inability to respect and live with other cultures. Intercultural education is also an effective way of addressing the modern phenomena of racism and racial discrimination and intolerance.



# Goals and Methods

With the youth exchange "Beyond Borders' Youth Camp" we aim to gather together youngsters from different cultures, backgrounds as we believe that young people are the ground of the community we live in. We believe that this project will help to change attitudes and behaviours of young people towards diversity and discrimination and encourage adults to recognize the value that young people's contributions bring to society at local, national and international levels. Through the exchange, the participants will understand that their differences are enrichment for all of them, and that all of them are part of the common idea of European Identity.

The objectives of the youth exchange are:

- To enable young people to learn more about their own culture, to deepen their cultural roots and to reaffirm their identity
- To support the development of their common European identity.
- To promote the EU values and cooperation under the Erasmus+ scheme
- To inspire local youth to be engaged in similar youth activities and to learn about Erasmus+ programme.
- To develop creative thinking, soft skills, of youngsters and youth leaders.



**AT THE END OF THE PROJECT  
EACH PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE  
A YOUTHPASS CERTIFICATE.  
THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT,  
PARTICIPANTS WILL BE GIVEN THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW AND  
IMPROVE THEIR SKILLS IN THE  
FOLLOWING 8 KEY COMPETENCIES  
AS DEFINED BY YOUTHPASS:**

- 1. MULTILINGUAL COMPETENCE**
- 2. PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND LEARNING TO LEARN COMPETENCE**
- 3. CITIZENSHIP COMPETENCE**
- 4. ENTREPRENEURSHIP COMPETENCE**
- 5. CULTURAL AWARENESS AND EXPRESSION COMPETENCE**
- 6. DIGITAL COMPETENCE**
- 7. MATHEMATICAL COMPETENCE AND COMPETENCE IN  
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING**
- 8. LITERACY COMPETENCE**





# Profile of participants

## **Age limit of participants:**

4 participants with age limit 18-30 from each participating partner + 1 group leader with no age limit.

## **Selection criteria:**

- Candidates are interested in project topic;
- Can communicate in English;
- Most likely newcomers in Erasmus+ projects.





# CONSORTIUM

- Kulturas un izglitības biedriba "YStreet" (Latvia)
- EUDUCATE (Spain)
- Active Youth for Europe (Italy)
- ASOCIATIA D.G.T (Romania)
- Stichting Bildung Platform Nijmegen (Netherlands)
- Problem-Based Learning Institute (Lithuania)



# Dates and venue

**Arrival day:** 24 May 2022

**Departure day:** 02 June 2022

**Venue:** Viesu Nams "Vecmuiža"

**Address:** Vecmuiža, Liepupes  
pagasts, LV-4022

Please note that hosts are not responsible for participants' accommodation, food and transport for extra days both before and after the project dates.





# Accommodation

Venue: Viesu Nams "Vecmuiža"

Participants will share gender-separate rooms. Participants will be provided with 3-times meals and a coffee break per day. A special menu will be prepared for vegetarians, vegans, etc.

The venue provides bedsheets and towels. Please be aware that due to high amount of people and the forest location of the venue, local WIFI signal can be unstable. For personal use please take a 4G backup, if needed.







## INTERCULTURAL EVENINGS

We will have intercultural evenings where you will be able to present your country.

Each country will have up to 20 minutes for presentation, divided into 2 parts:

- The first part will involve quizzes, Kahoot, dancing, songs, videos, or anything else - at your discretion!
- The second part will involve a table with food and drinks. Bring something that represents your country, which we would love!

And, of course, your table will look brilliant with your national flag - bring it if possible!



# How to get to the venue

If you are traveling with your team, the most convenient way to get from Riga Airport to Riga Central Station is the **BOLT** app - this taxi app provides cheap services. Even if you split the cost for two (to the center of Riga it will be about € 7-10). Here's what the app looks like:



You can also get a **FREE RIDE OR A GOOD % OFF** if you enter the following promo code as soon as you download the app and register your Visa or Mastercard: **Z3YYL**

**Since, unfortunately, according to Erasmus+ rules, we cannot reimburse taxi, we highly recommend using this option with a promo code.**



## MORE ABOUT FREE RIDES AND DISCOUNTS

**BOLT** will take you from Riga Airport to the project venue for about 50 EUR. Use promo code **Z3YYL** and get a discount from the first trip. This means that the trip will cost you less. It will also save a lot of your time due to not having to wait for the bus/train/pickup. If you have a group of 3 or 4 people, it might make sense, **You are welcome :)**



# How to get to the venue with public transport

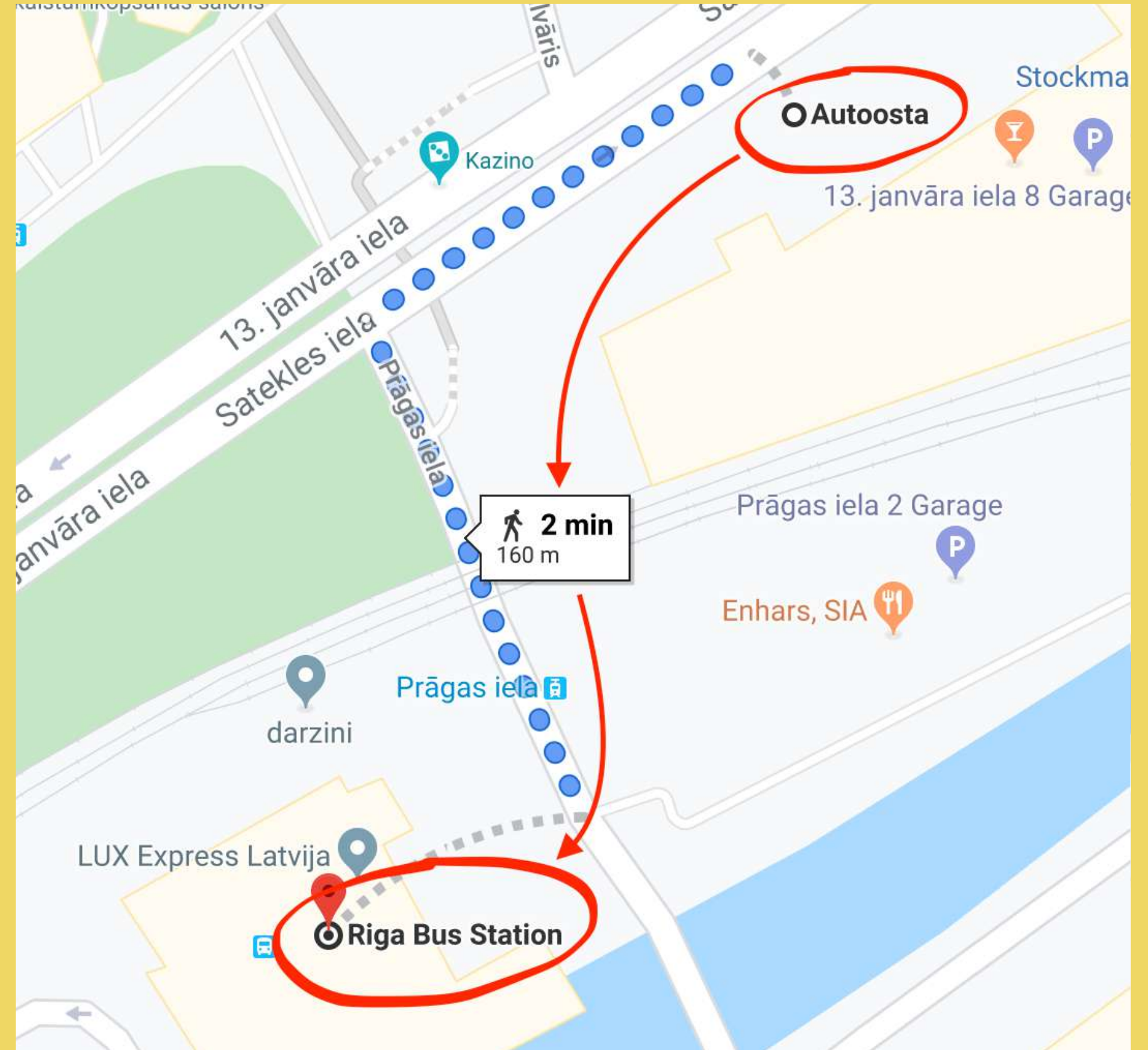
From Riga Airport to the Riga City Center you have to take a bus or minibus 22 and get out at the stop "Autoosta". Ticket price: 2 EUR

From the stop "Autoosta" you have to walk about 2 minutes (160 m.) to the Riga Bus Station.

At the Bus Station you buy a ticket to **OLTUŽI**. Buses go every one and half hour. On road time will be about 1 hour 30 minutes. Be aware that the last bus is at 21:55. If you won't catch it the only option is taxi. Ticket price: ~4 EUR

**Attention:** You will have to ask bus driver to let you get out from bus at station **VECMUIŽAS SKOLA**.

Next pages will contain more info about it...





# Bus schedule

This is official schedule for buses going from RIGA to OLTUŽI.

Please use it as a guide for trip planning.

You can also purchase bus tickets online: <https://www.autoosta.lv>

Departs	Arrives	Race name	Runs in	Ticket price
08:30	10:26	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:56, platform: 11, capacity: 45	M T W T F S S	€ 4.10
09:50	11:25	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:35, platform: 12, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85
11:40	13:31	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:51, platform: 11, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85
13:00	14:52	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:52, platform: 11, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 4.00
15:00	16:51	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:51, platform: 11, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85
16:25	18:15	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:50, platform: 11, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85
17:40	19:30	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:50, platform: 11, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85
20:00	21:46	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:46, platform: 11, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85
21:55	23:33	<b>Rīga-Saulkrasti-Ainaži</b> ⓘ On road: 01:38, platform: 12, capacity: 49	M T W T F S S	€ 3.85



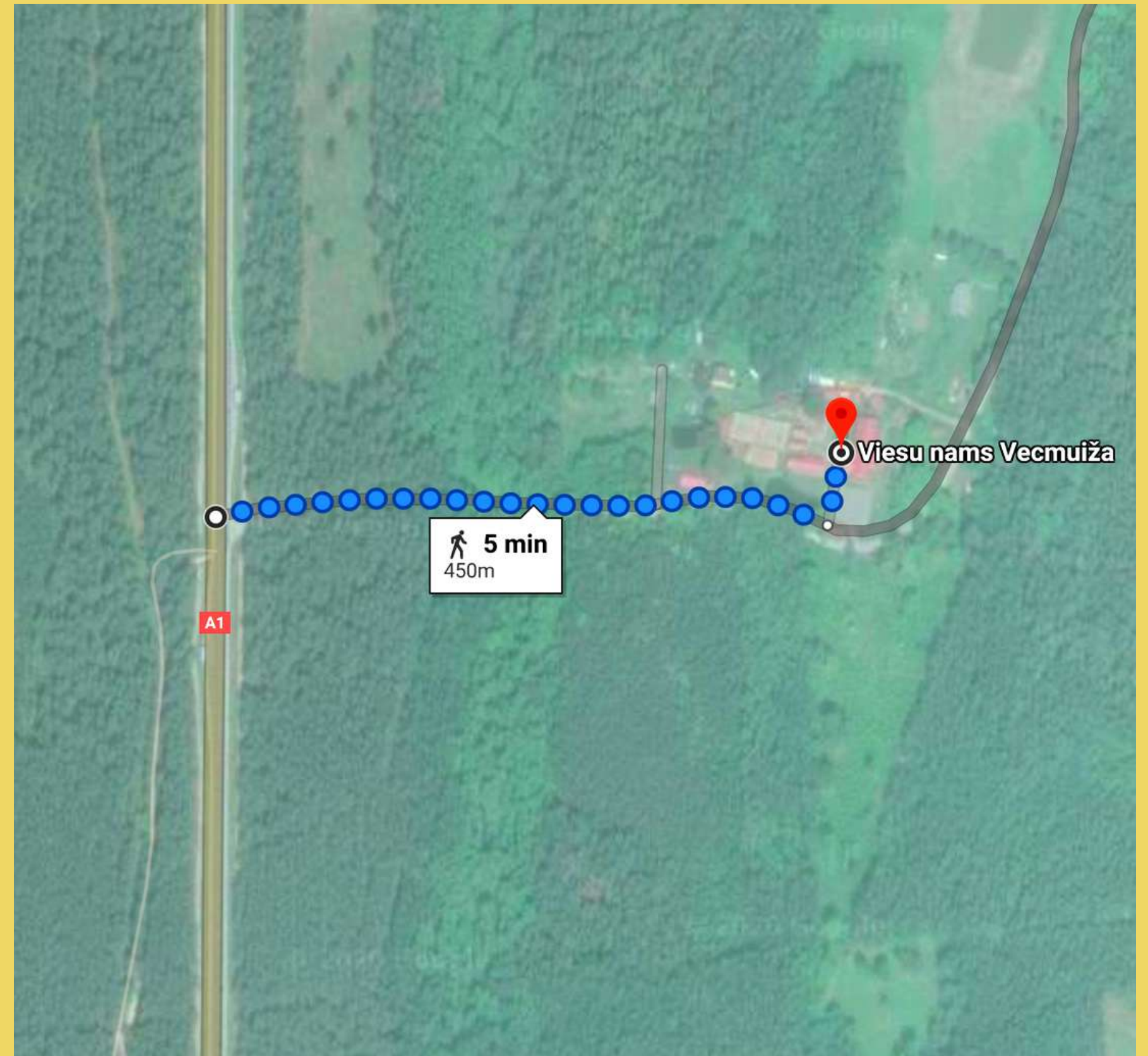
# Bus stop: Vecmuižas Skola

As our venue is located in pure nature of Latvian forests, fresh air and eco lifestyle, it is not usual stop for public busses.

Before your bus will arrive to OLTUŽI, you will have to get out at bus stop **VECMUIŽAS SKOLA**. Not every driver in Latvia knows English, so we highly recommend to print the following text and present it to driver as soon as you get in the bus in Riga (bus will stop only by request):

**Labdien. Es esmu ārzemnieks. Lūdzu apstādiniet autobusu Vecmuižas skolā (līdz OLTUŽIEM). ES DZĪVOJU VIESU NAMĀ VECMUIŽA. Liels Paldies par sapratni!**

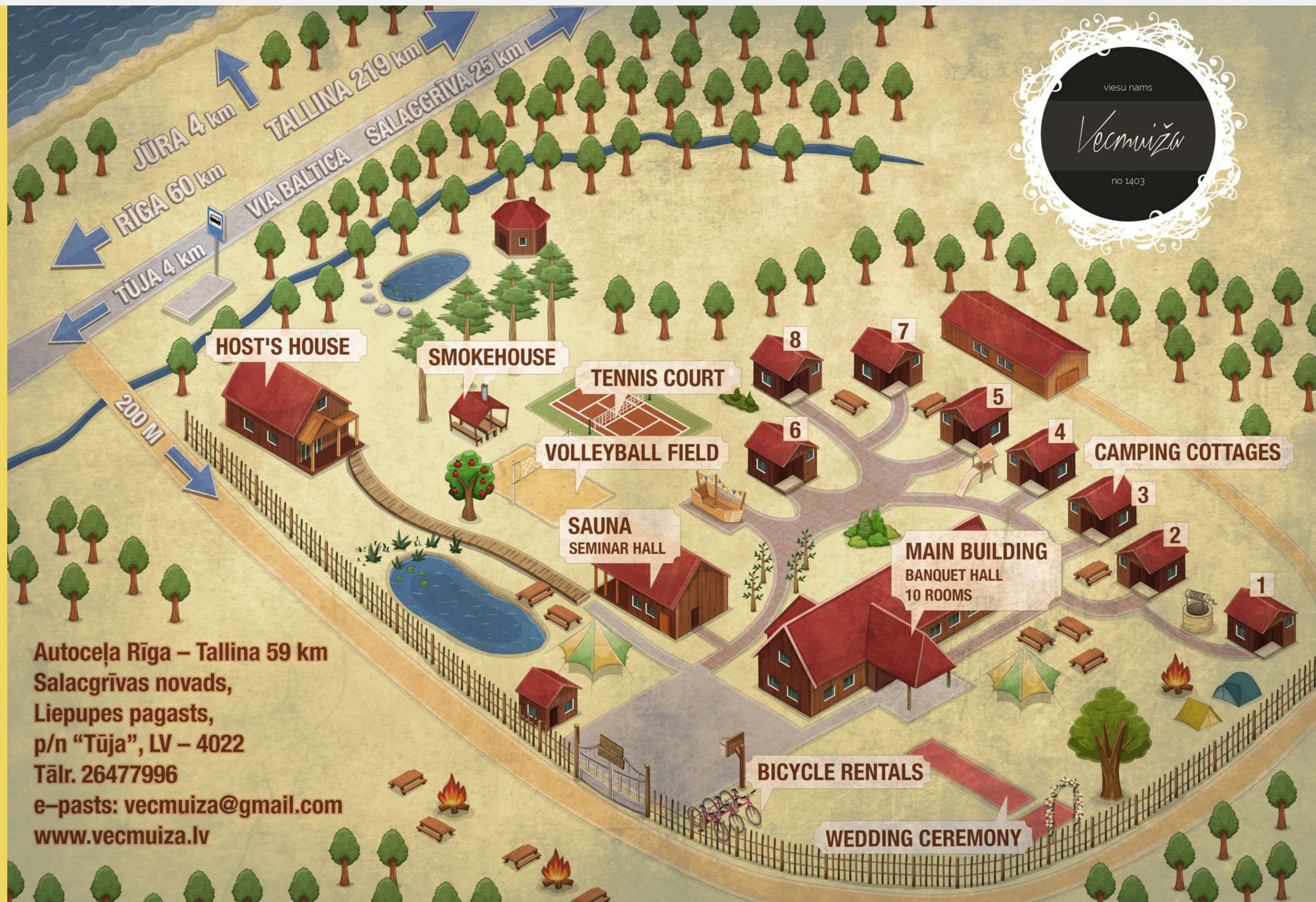
And, as the end of the journey, 5 minutes walk will bring you to **VIESU NAMS VECMUIŽA**!





# VIESU NAMŠ VECMUIŽA

Autoceļa Rīga – Tallina 59 km  
Salacgrīvas novads,  
Liepupes pagasts,  
p/n "Tūja", LV – 4022  
Tāl. 26477996  
e-pasts: vecmuiza@gmail.com  
www.vecmuiza.lv



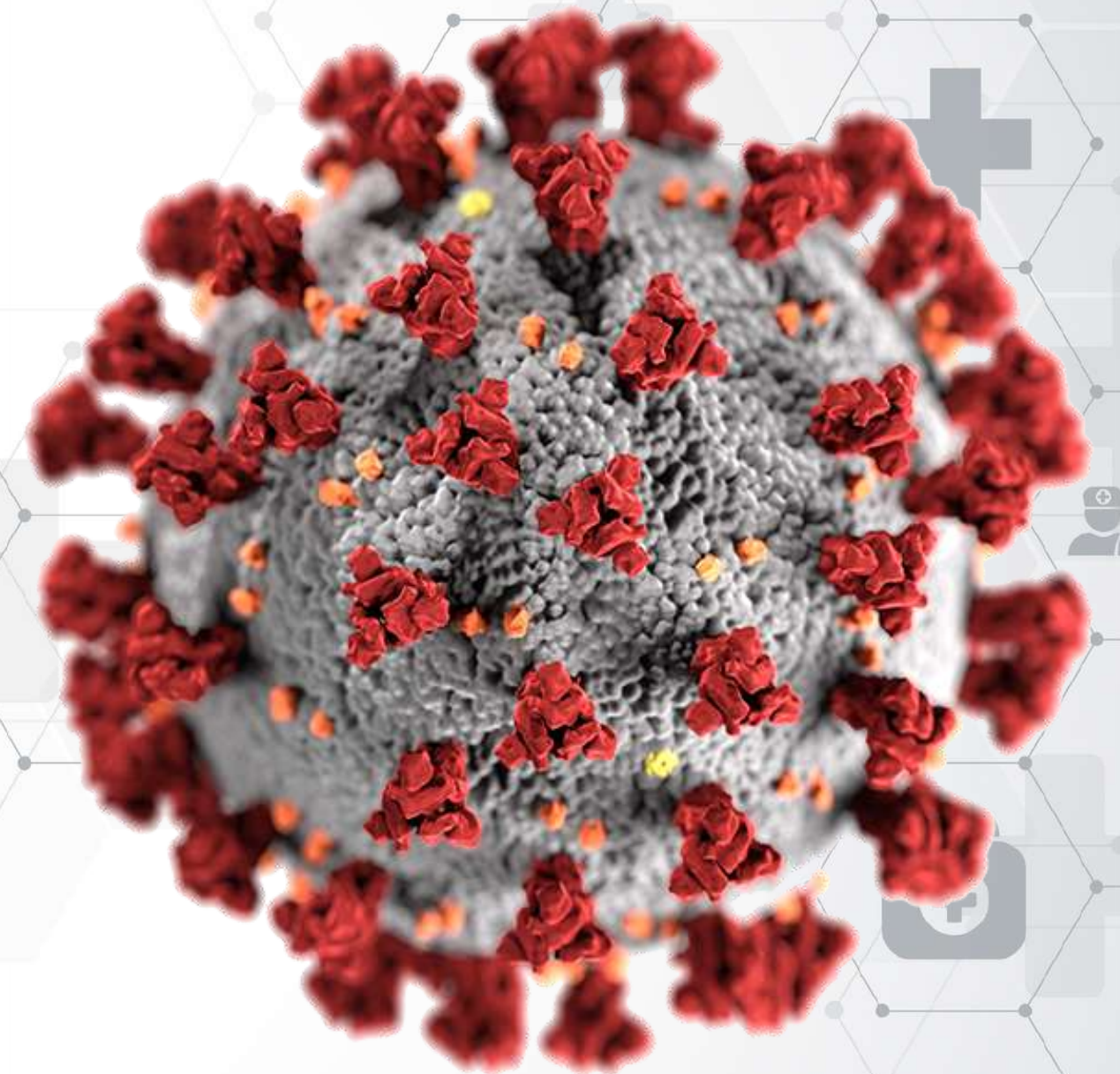


# COVID-19 RULES

PLEASE READ THE FULL INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LATVIA: [HTTPS://COVID19.GOV.LV/EN](https://COVID19.GOV.LV/EN)

PLEASE NOTICE THAT EACH PARTICIPANT HAS TO ASSUME ITS OWN EXPENSES FOR COVID TESTS.

PLEASE REMEMBER ABOUT TRAVEL INSURANCE WHICH COVERS COVID-19 RISKS, ILLNESS, PERSONAL LIABILITY, CANCELLATION, THEFT, ETC. FOR THE WHOLE DURATION OF THE PROJECT VALID IN LATVIA.





# Travel Reimbursement

International travel expenses can be reimbursed **ONLY** upon presentation of **ALL ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS** stating your travel information and costs, namely:

1. Boarding passes (For round trip),
2. Tickets (Also e-tickets),
3. Receipts (In case the tickets are bought by cash),
4. Invoices **and** card payment history (In case the tickets are bought by bank card),
5. Payment checks / Bank statements.

Participants are requested to bring with them all mentioned documents, likewise, any other payment bills, checks, tickets and payment prove that they will get during the travel. Regarding way-back tickets and boarding passes, they should be sent by international post service to "YSTREET" in Latvia (example: check-in at airport) or by e-mail (if they were issued through online check-in). **SCANS / PHOTOS / SCREENSHOTS ARE NOT ALLOWED!!!**

**Because of Erasmus+ rules, unfortunately we cannot reimburse Taxi costs.**

Reimbursement for ALL COUNTRIES will be done by BANK TRANSFER after we have all original tickets and relevant documents.



# Reimbursement Limits

per participant

- LATVIA ..... 20 EUR
- LITHUANIA ..... 180 EUR
- ITALY..... 275 EUR
- SPAIN..... 360 EUR
- ROMANIA..... 275 EUR
- NETHERLANDS..... 275 EUR



# THINGS TO BRING

- Valid passport for travel, residence permit, etc.;
- All required travel documents;
- Travel insurance which covers COVID-19 risks;
- COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate;
- Comfortable shoes or sneakers, outdoor suits & raincoats which can be needed during outdoor activities;
- What could entertain participants during free time, eg. games, music, musical instruments, etc;
- Group activities and new ideas are welcome;
- Traditional food, drinks, music, dances, songs, etc;
- Medicine you may need, etc.





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