



**TURKISH RED CRESCENT INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CAMP
2013
Heybeliada-İSTANBUL / TÜRKİYE**

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**Invitation to the Turkish Red Crescent International Youth Camp
Heybeliada/İstanbul from 23th August to 02nd September 2013.**

Dear Colleagues,

We are glad to invite your National Society to participate, with **2** Youth representative at the age of **18 to 25 years**, to our International Youth Camp.

The Youth Camp will be held between **23th August to 02nd September 2013** and we will stay in our Turkish Red Crescent Youth Sea Camp Heybeliada / İstanbul.

After the arrival of your delegation in Istanbul / Turkey, we will have the pleasure to take care for the shuttle, accommodation and the camp programme. The participants are asked to cover only their round trip to Istanbul/Turkey. The camp language will be **English**, which should be well understood and spoken by everyone.

The International Youth Camp, an annual occasion of the Turkish Red Crescent, is a possibility for all youth members/young volunteers from the National Societies, to develop their humanitarian capacity through sharing experiences and opinions and find out sustainable projects. This year, the main topics of the camp will be to discuss, under the motto **"Raising The Human Capacity High Charity"**.

You will find attached the application form. In order to ensure an appropriate organization, we kindly ask you to send us your reply with the fulfilled application form within the deadline of **10th July 2013**. We are looking forward to host your delegation in Heybeliada / İstanbul.

For any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or e-mail.

Best regards,

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

We will be about 100 young people living 10 days in the Youth Camp of the Turkish Red Crescent.

1. Location:

The Youth Camp will take place in Heybeliada, one of the beautiful island at the Marmara Sea in İstanbul, from **23th August** until **02nd September 2013**

2. Accommodation and travel:

Accommodation, full board and transfer from the Airport to the camp and vice-versa will be covered by the Turkish Red Crescent. The participants are asked to cover only their round trip to Istanbul/Turkey.

3. Aims:

- Having fun
- Making new and permanent friendships
- Realizing intercultural sharing, communication and learning
- Exchange RC/RC- work and knowledge
- Sharing projects

4. Basic Contents:

- Intercultural sharing, communication and learning, especially by living in multicultural groups.
- Exchanging RC/RC knowledge of different National Societies and the comparison of cultures.
- Games, Sports and many other activities
- Workshops
- Daily bus and boat trip to cultural and historical places/museums in Istanbul.

5. Participation:

Every motivated and enthusiastic person, involved in the RC/RC Movement at the age of 18 to 25 can participate at this camp. The participants have to be able to understand English. The National Societies have to take care of the gender balance for their participants.

6. Workshops:

For all of the participants there will be several workshop offers with different topics. The participants will also be able to determine their own workshop based on any subject or topic.

The aim of these workshops will be to compare, specific qualities, conditions, problems and the Youth work of all participating countries, project development, brainstorming, to share ideas and thoughts and to develop solutions.

7. Free Time:

The participants will have lots of time to enjoy the sun, sea and pool, participate at games, trips and other activities.

8. National Night:

Each delegation is invited to create or prepare a presentation of their country (like local dance, music, pantomime, clothing, regional non-alcoholic beverages as a appropriate health camp, preparing specific foods or cookies and etc.).

9. Delegation corner:

We will give the opportunity to decorate a small delegation corner with typical, specific, famous peculiar goods; pictures and etc. (So please don't forget to bring some material about your RC/RC Youth activities!)

10. Don't forget to bring with you:

- SSS (Swimsuit, Slipper, Sport shoes)
- TT (T-shirt, Towel)
- Music instrument (if you play)

Looking forward to seeing you in Heybeliada / İstanbul,

Best regards,



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