

Call for Student Participation

Ideas Club 2025

*Asylum policy, migration, inclusion and solidarity
in the European Union*

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1. Overview: Description and Objectives

EUTOPIA MORE commits to promote and defend the European dimension in HE, developing and implementing a model of EUTOPIA's integration of European citizens and providing tools to improve the knowledge of European Cultures, Languages and Values.

To achieve these objectives EUTOPIA launches the third edition of the “Ideas Club”, a **student-led debate programme** to raise awareness of European values through knowledge and awareness about intercultural differences, transcending local and regional and national identity-pegs, with the objective of developing and training European identity and inclusive citizenship competence and skills through knowledge about values, human rights, models of representation and participation.

The third edition of the Ideas Club will take place in blended format, in presence at the University of Ljubljana from October 9 to October 10, 2025 (2 full working days) with an online activity in September 2025 prior to the event in presence.

The whole event will explore the topics of asylum policy, migration, inclusion, and solidarity in the European Union. A participatory methodology will be used, such as a simulation of negotiation on the EU migration and asylum policy and a debate on solidarity and inclusion.

This call aims to select a total of **3 students per each full partner** university of the EUTOPIA Alliance, namely: Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona, Spain), Universitatea Babeş-Bolyai (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), Vrije Universiteit Brussels (Bruxelles, Belgium), Ca' Foscari University of Venice (Venice, Italy), CY Cergy Université Paris (Paris, France), Technische Universität Dresden (Dresden, Germany), Göteborgs Universitet (Gothenburg, Sweden), Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (Lisbon, Portugal), Univerza v Ljubljani (Ljubljana, Slovenia).

The University of Warwick (Coventry, United Kingdom) and EUTOPIA MORE Global Partners can also select 3 students to participate in the event.

Students participating from EUTOPIA partners from EU countries are supported through EUTOPIA MORE Erasmus+ Funds. The University of Warwick (UW) is an associate partner and, together with participating members from the Global Partners of the EUTOPIA Alliance, provides institutionally-based funds to support participation



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2. Admission Requirements

- 2.1. Applicants must be **undergraduate students** (BA) from all degree disciplines, regularly enrolled at one of the EUTOPIA partner universities. Prior knowledge or experience of a specific topic or sector is not necessary.
- 2.2. **MA students** from partner universities may also apply, but priority will be given to BA students.
- 2.3. The selected candidates must hold the above-mentioned status at the moment of application and when the “Ideas Club” session takes place. The International Office and the EUTOPIA office of each institution must be informed timely of any possible change in their status.
- 2.4. Applicants must write a motivation letter for their participation in the “Ideas Club” session which describes the reasons for their interest in participating, the expected outcomes of their participation and the strengths of their candidature.
- 2.5. Ineligibility: if, at any stage in the application procedure, it is established that the information provided by the applicant has been knowingly falsified, the candidate will be disqualified from the selection process.

3. Application Procedure

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Each university will select its 3 candidates through internal selection processes following the application and admission requirements established in this call. All applicants will need to submit a motivation letter written in English explaining their reasons to participate in the event.

3.2. Application Deadline: Deadline for applications will be established by each university according to their academic and administrative calendars]

4. Selection Process

4.1. Selection Committee: A selection committee will be established at each partner University who will assess the candidates’ applications. As part of the selection process, an online interview may be scheduled. Each institution will publish the names, roles and institutional affiliations of the selection committee

4.2. Selection Criteria:

- Transcript of records (and/or CV): up to 20 points
- Quality of the motivation letter, which must include:
 - a personal introduction and a critical reflection on addressing social and contemporary challenges: up to 20 points;
 - knowledge of the EUTOPIA Alliance and its role in creating a better Europe: up to 20 points;
 - relevance of the selected Idea Club topic for the student and their personal development: up to 20 points;
- Proficiency in English, based on the CV and motivation letter: up to 20 points
- In the event of a tie, and at the discretion of the selection committee of each university, priority will be given to undergraduate students, and criteria of gender balance and disciplinary equilibrium will be applied.

4.3 Publication of results: The results of the selection committee will be communicated individually to those who apply. Selected students will need to contact via email the EUTOPIA Offices of their universities to confirm their participation.

5. Rights and Obligations of Selected Students

Selected students will have the obligation to:

- Actively participate in all activities organized as part of the Ideas Club programme including any online activities prior to the event in presence.
- Produce a piece of work on the results of the participation in the debates, as established by the faculty leading the programme (a short essay, a video, or any other assessment material).

- Allow that this material can be used, when applicable, as an output of the event on the EUTOPIA Website.

Selected students will have the right to:

- Attend the trainings and activity
- Have room, board and travel expenses to participate in the event covered by the EUTOPIA MORE Project (for full partner students)
- Have expenses covered by institutional funds according to institutional practice (for students from the Associate Partner or Global Partner institutions).

6. Timeline

Deadline for applications : July 20th, 2025.

Communication of the results : August 4th, 2025.

Deadline for appeals: August 11th, 2025 .

Deadline for acceptance and confirmation of participation : August 18th, 2025.

7. Data Protection

Information relating to individuals (personal data) is collected and used in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) n. 2016/679 of the European Commission, with regard to the processing of personal data by European institutions and organizations and the unrestricted circulation of such data.

8. Contact Information

For any inquiries or additional information on this call

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