

PATHWAY TO UNITY

Erasmus+ itinerant youth exchange
Implemented by Copenhagen Youth Network, funded by the European Commission

Project Dates: 1-10 December, 2025

Travel days are 1st and 10th

Venue 1: Katteveld, the Netherlands

Venue 2: Store Klaus, Ganløse, Denmark





ABOUT CYN

CYN is a non-governmental organization established in Denmark in 2012. We are dedicated to promoting social inclusion by breaking stereotypes and nurturing solidarity, intercultural awareness, and education and job-related competencies for youths in Denmark and beyond. Through the collaboration of young and talented individuals, we aim to share knowledge, build networks, and enhance trans-European relations with a specific focus on communication. Our efforts are geared towards strengthening European unity and identity, as well as advancing social inclusion and intercultural awareness and competencies.



ABOUT UYN

Utrecht Youth Network is a Dutch NGO focused on building inclusive communities through civic engagement and civic participation. The work of UYN is connected with the belief that empowering individuals and creating trust between communities and institutions requires both local action and global connection. Both locally in Utrecht and internationally, our mission is to connect people of diverse backgrounds, strengthen their skills, and mobilise them to actively contribute to a just, involved, and inclusive society.

PROJECT GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

The aim of the Pathway to Unity project is to empower young people from diverse backgrounds to become active promoters of refugee and migrant integration by fostering intercultural dialogue, equipping them with digital skills, and creating safe spaces where stereotypes can be challenged and mutual understanding strengthened across European societies.



- 1 Strengthen youth awareness of diversity, equality, and intercultural dialogue, encouraging them to challenge stereotypes and reduce xenophobia.
- 2 Foster youth-led intercultural dialogue actions (online and offline) that connect locals and newcomers, promoting social cohesion and civic participation.
- 3 Enhance participants' critical thinking and community engagement skills, enabling them to act as multipliers and changemakers in their local contexts.

WHY IS IT A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE? WELCOME TO YOUR ITINERANT JOURNEY

Why is this project different?

Unlike most youth exchanges that take place in a single venue, Pathway to Unity takes you on a journey through two countries – Denmark and the Netherlands. By moving between these two places, participants will learn about migration and integration in theory, but will also experience two completely different realities first-hand. Copenhagen Youth Network will book the tickets and plan the trip from The Netherlands to Denmark

🇩🇰 In Denmark, you will discover a more structured, data-driven approach to migration.

🇳🇱 In the Netherlands, you will explore community-based sponsorship models.

What does this mean for you?

- You will compare two opposite strategies and reflect on which elements could work in your own country.
- You will live and learn in diverse cultural contexts, adapting and growing along the way.
- You will travel, create memories, and build friendships that cross borders.

The program will start in the Netherlands on December 1, and on December 5 we will all together travel by flibus to Denmark and continue the program there. The bus trip can take up to 14–15 hours. Participants should note that this is an unusual type of youth exchange, where they will step outside their comfort zone, but also gain unforgettable, once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

🌟 **Two countries. Two perspectives. One unforgettable experience.** 🌟



Profile of participants

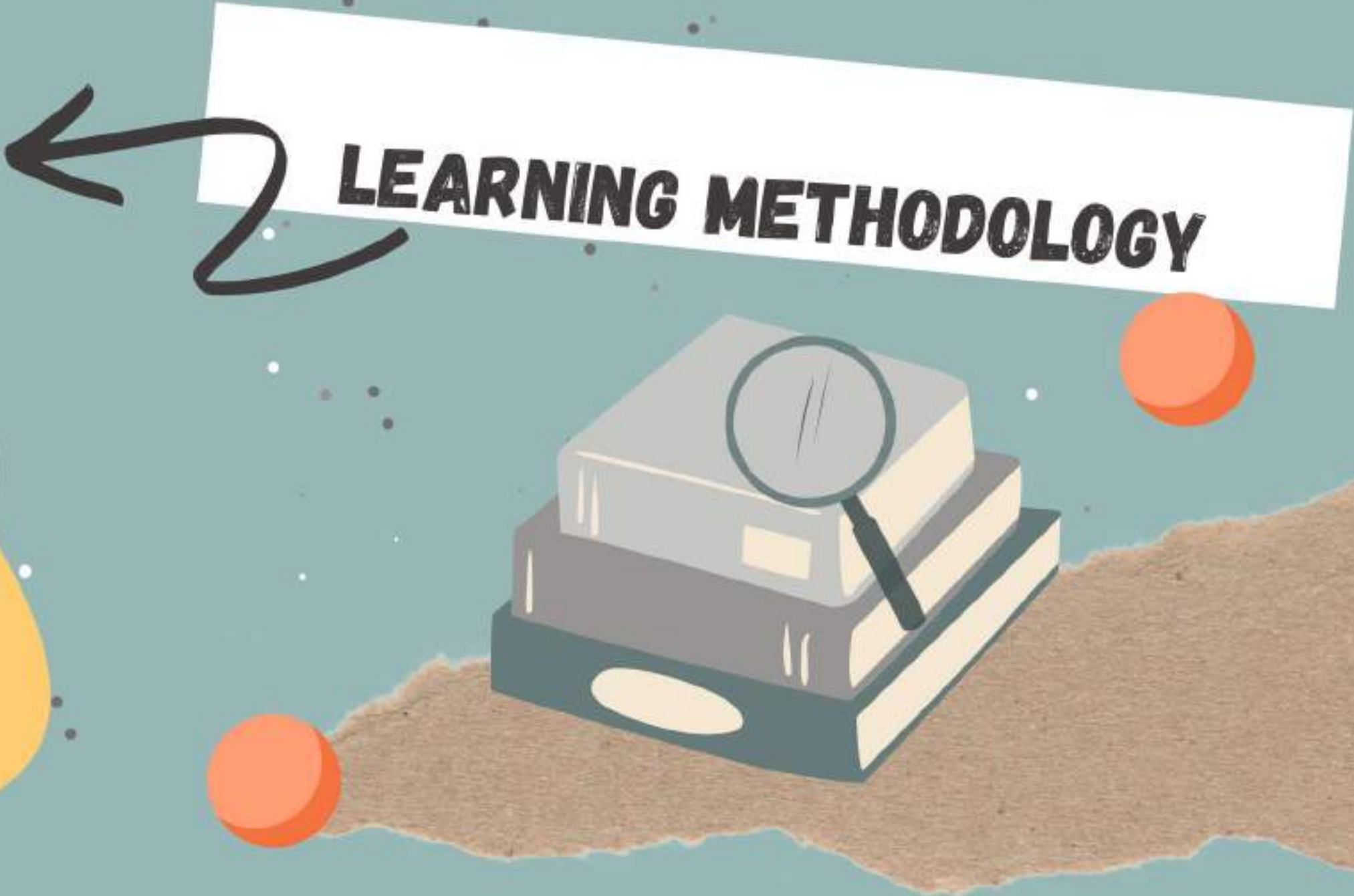
- Age Requirement: 20 - 29 years old (Group leaders have NO age limit).
- Group Composition: Each group consists of 4 participants and 1 Group Leader, totaling 5 individuals.
- Dissemination and Follow-up: Encourage local sharing of project outcomes during dissemination and follow-up activities.
- Active Participation: Collaborate, share ideas, present, and express yourself openly.
- Openness to Diversity: Embrace diverse cultures and viewpoints.
- Full Participation: Ensure availability for all activities; exceptions are limited to emergencies, illness, or single urgent work/school tasks.
- Collective Responsibility: Maintain cleanliness as a collective duty; all participants must assist with daily cleaning to ensure a safe and hygienic environment.
- Adaptability: Participants should be open-minded and prepared to stay in a scout hut within a forest, sharing bedrooms with up to 8 people, and be prepared for nature, including mosquitoes—this is not a city hotel experience.

Participants who are motivated by the project theme and the cultural experiences offered, not those expecting tourism or hotel-like experiences. Please be aware that we will be staying in a farm and scout cabin with very limited Wi-Fi access.

YOU CAN EXPECT ACTIVITIES WHERE WE SIMULATE THE EXPERIENCES OF REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS, ENCOURAGING PARTICIPANTS TO STEP INTO THEIR SHOES AND REFLECT ON THE CHALLENGES THEY FACE."



LEARNING METHODOLOGY



1.

LEARNING BY DOING

**NON-FORMAL
EDUCATION**

2.

STUDY VISITS

PRESENTATIONS

3.

SIMULATIONS

**EXCHANGING AND
PEER-EDUCATION**

Meet Our Team



Halmat Faraidon

Director and Founder of Copenhagen Youth Network, Mr. Faraidon established Copenhagen Youth Network in 2012. Halmat's family has a refugee background, making him a role model for youth belonging to marginalized groups and minorities. Halmat has been actively working on youth projects at the national and global levels since 2008, promoting youth work and non-formal education, social inclusion, and intercultural dialogue in Europe and beyond.



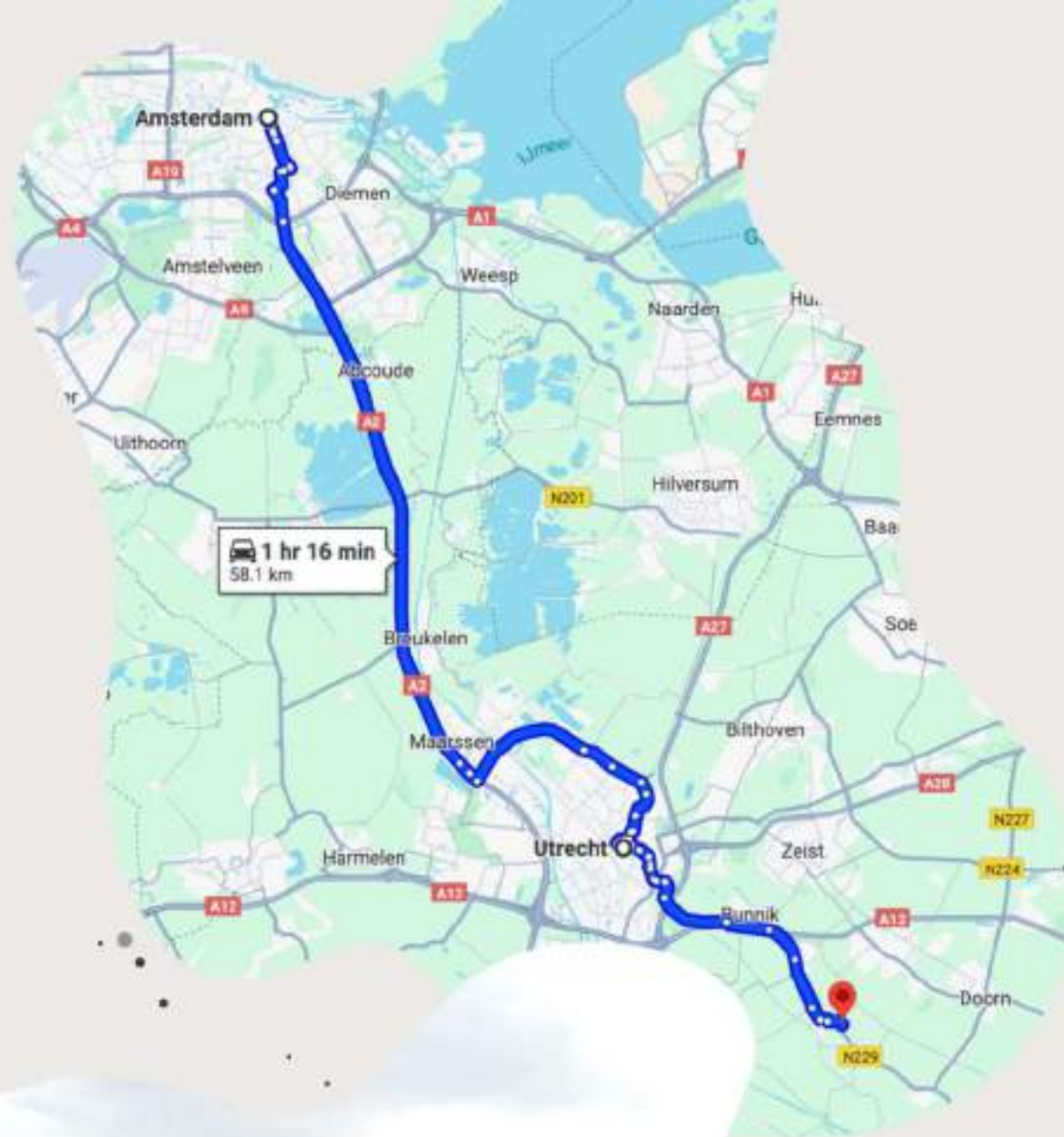
Tamta Khutsishvili

Project management and training consultant with a proven track record in training management, international relations, and project management across public, non-governmental, and private sectors. She excels in grant writing and boasts over 10 years of experience in youth affairs, state, and donor-funded projects and programs. She is a founder and director of Youth for Society Georgia. She joined the CYN team in 2018 and is passionate about cross-sectional and human rights-based approaches.



Anouk de Rooy

founder and director of Utrecht Youth Network, specializes in international youth participation and intercultural community work. Alongside her role at UYN, she works with the Dutch National Youth Council and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, supporting youth-led cooperation in international decision-making processes. Her focus is on creating and sustaining spaces for connection and exchange, bringing together young people from diverse backgrounds.



VENUE 1



We will be staying in a Katteveld Farm (address: Beverweertseweg 38 3985 RE Werkhoven) near Utrecht, surrounded by green and peaceful areas.

The venue can host up to 82 people in 7 dormitories with bunk beds (participants will stay up to 8 people in each room) Please note that participants will be accommodated in separate sleeping areas according to sex (male/female.)

The house has a cozy living room, a fully equipped kitchen, underfloor heating, and free Wi-Fi. Outdoors you'll find a terrace, sports fields, playgrounds, and even a small petting zoo. The accommodation is self-catering and reserved only for our group.

Participants have to bring their own sleeping bag. If you do not have one, you may buy one and receive a refund of up to €25. Please note that a receipt is mandatory for reimbursement.

Please bring your own bath towels, as well as toiletries and personal items.

Participants will be provided with transportation details closer to the event dates. The nearest international airport is Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS)

See the venue: <https://kattveld.nl/contact.htm>





VENUE 2



We will be staying in a Scout Cabin (address: Almagerbakke 28, 3660 Stenløse) near Copenhagen City, surrounded by a forest and close to amenities like a supermarket and a small lake.

Facilities include a bonfire, indoor fireplace, football field, jogging tracks, and a spacious terrace.

Please note that participants will be accommodated in separate sleeping areas according to sex (male/female.) There will be 2 toilets & 2 showers available for females and 2 toilets & 2 showers for males.

Participants have to bring their own sleeping bag. If you do not have one, you may buy one and receive a refund of up to €25. Please note that a receipt is mandatory for reimbursement. Please bring your own toiletries and personal items.

See the venue: <http://storeklaus.dk/>

We have also recorded [a video](#) for you to see the venue.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fWUvotWLselEr_4bv96CBA-s5Mn0CXQG/view

Participants will be provided with transportation details closer to the event date. The venue is conveniently located near Copenhagen, with the nearest airport being Copenhagen International Airport (Kastrup lufthavn). Upon arrival, participants will be picked up by private cars from Værløse station.

TRAVEL COSTS AND REIMBURSEMENT



1
Send your travel proposal
hhf@cyn.dk



2
Wait for approval



3
Buy them when you have the
approval



4
Save all your travel invoices according
to the guidance that you will receive
from CYN



5
Take a screenshot of all documents,
later we will collect them all online - No
saving/prove of expenses, no refund



6
Refund to the sending organisation or group
leader's bank account after all travel
documentation is received and participants
have completed a follow-up
workshop/dissemination activity in their
home country. No cash refunds.



Only the most economical transportation (2nd class) will be reimbursed. No taxis, blablacar, uber... are allowed. Participants are welcome to arrive in the Netherlands before the exchange and to stay in Denmark after the exchange, at their own expense. Please note that we do not reimburse tickets to or from other countries than the one you represent, unless in cases of transit or other exceptional circumstances.



It is the responsibility of the sending organisation to ensure that its participants are insured. Insurance is mandatory in order to take part in projects hosted by CYN. No insurance, no participation.

Country	Partner	Budget Limit
Denmark	Copenhagen Youth Network	211€
The Netherlands	Utrecht Youth Network	211€
Greece	YOU IN EUROPE	309€
Georgia	Youth for Society	395€
Ukraine	We are the future	309€
Jordan	Support Youth Leaders	395€ + 80€, Visa
Turkey	Dicle University Youth Network	395€

Deadline for booking the travel tickets - November 1st

100% of accommodation, food and transportation during the project will be covered with the support of ERASMUS+

You can use up to 4 extra travel days. These days are NOT covered by the project regarding food and accommodation

No other touristic tickets (bus, metro, bicycle, boat, Hop-on-Hop off bus in will be reimbursed.

Participants' contributions to the program



PROGRAM

Participants will be encouraged to organize sessions that contribute to the project's goals. Further details will be shared after the selection of participants by the organizing team.



CULTURAL EXCHANGE

We will host an Intercultural evenings, offering each country a brief opportunity to showcase its culture. Share traditional dishes, drinks, games, music, dances, or anything relevant to provide insight into your country's identity and culture.



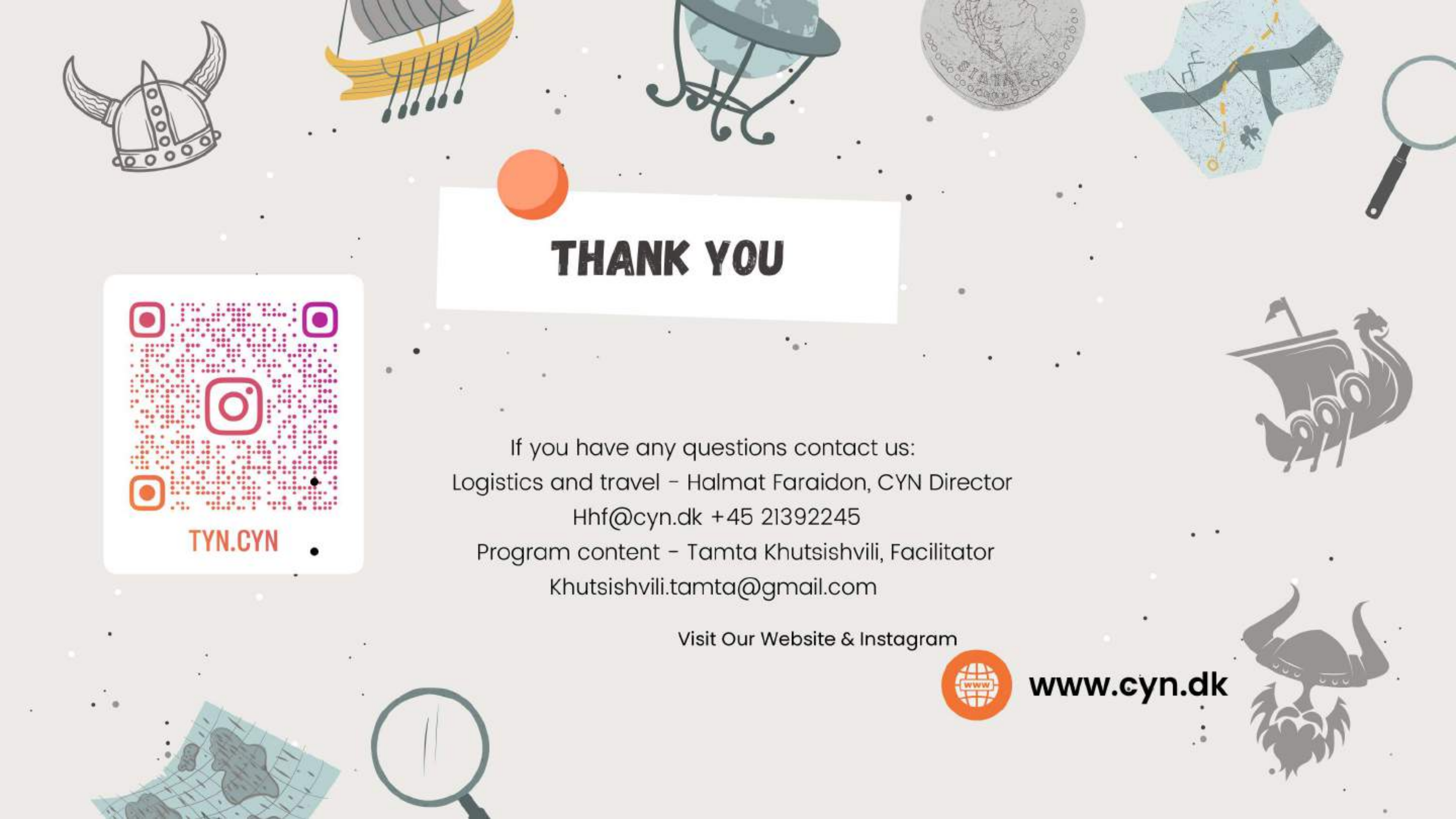
COMMITMENT

Please show respect towards others and be open to trying new experiences. Familiarize yourself with all the conditions provided by CYN and follow the guidance given.

REGISTRATION



- Only Selected participants are kindly requested to fill out the registration form:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSegf5jGgc5fDD8NIHk2oT2kk4URn5ySrGJDGIhhSSgfpP8WV9w/viewform>
- Selected participants, please save the date:
MANDATORY ONLINE KICK-OFF Meeting – 18:00 CET, November 4th, 2025
A meeting link will be provided via email.



THANK YOU



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