

**On the occasion of European Cooperation Day 2022 and the European Year of Youth  
the Cross-border Cooperation Programme PL-BY-UA 2014-2020<sup>1</sup>  
invites you to take part in the Youth Education Campaign  
"CREATIVE, INNOVATIVE, ACTIVE!"**

**IDEA**

The European Union has declared 2022 as the European Year of Youth (EYY). Today's world - recently particularly affected by conflicts, health and climate problems - needs the imagination of the next generations, their passion and commitment to build a more secure, modern, healthy and green future. We are convinced that the voice of youth and their greater involvement can positively influence cooperation between the EU and its neighbours. That is why, for many years we have been addressing our activities to young people.

Inspiration of the youth can be the personalities of the common borderland, whose creativity and innovation changed not only their surroundings, but even the fate of the world. Example? Ignacy Łukasiewicz - whose 200<sup>th</sup> birthday we are celebrating this year under the patronage of UNESCO - together with Jan Zeh, illuminated the entire world with their invention and gave birth to a great industry. But the list of famous visionaries, inventors and scientists of the common border region is much longer: originator Antoni Tyzenhauz, linguist Ludwik Zamenhof, futurist Stanislaw Lem, Lviv School of Mathematics...

Follow their footsteps into the future - take part in our Youth Education Campaign: **"CREATIVE, INNOVATIVE, ACTIVE!"**. The best teams will take part in the Final Event, which will be held on the occasion of the European Cooperation Day **from 14th to 17th September 2022**. It will be organised in the Mazowieckie region and will include a visit to the capital city of Poland, **Warsaw**.

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<sup>1</sup> Due to the involvement of the Belarusian authorities in the war against Ukraine, cross-border cooperation with Belarus has been suspended in accordance with the European Commission's decision.

## COMPETITION RULES

1. The competition is open to **4-person teams** of young people representing schools and/or other educational institutions (including art and music schools, school bursaries) based in the Programme area:

- in Poland - in the Podlaskie, Lubelskie, Podkarpackie voivodeships as well as the Ostrołęcko-siedlecki subregion of the Mazowieckie voivodeship;
- in Ukraine - in the Rivne, Volyn, Lviv, Ternopil, Zakarpattya, Ivano-Frankivsk oblasts.

At the same time, we also cordially invite to participate mixed teams (PL-UA) consisting of Polish students and children from Ukraine, who temporarily or permanently started learning in Polish schools as a result of seeking refuge. **Please take into consideration that the Final Event will take place in September.**

2. **Age of participants: 12-16** (the number of years completed at the time of notification counts).
3. The team must be accompanied by a teacher/guardian (team leader). **Each school/facility may enter only one team.**
4. The schools taking part in the campaign for the first time will receive 1 extra point when assessed.

### STEP I - QUALIFICATION

1. At the qualification stage, the team must complete the competition tasks described in the online Application Form, fill in the form and send it together with an electronic version of their works (text files, pictures etc.) and necessary consents RODO (for EU citizens only) **by 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022**. In case of large files or other problems with electronic submission, please contact:
  - in Poland: [branch@pbu.rzeszow.pl](mailto:branch@pbu.rzeszow.pl)
  - in Ukraine: [branch@pbu.lviv.ua](mailto:branch@pbu.lviv.ua)
2. The evaluation of the works will be done by the Programme Branches in Poland and Ukraine according to the attached Evaluation Grid.
3. The results of the assessment of pupils' works will be announced on the website [www.pbu2020.eu](http://www.pbu2020.eu) on **25<sup>th</sup> June**. Schools/facilities/organisations will also receive notification by e-mail at the address given in the Application Form.
4. A total of **16 teams** from Poland and Ukraine will be invited to participate in the Final Event, which will take place **from 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022** in the Mazowieckie Voivodeship.

## STEP II - FINAL

In accordance with the idea of the contest this year's campaign will focus on great inventions and inventors of the PL-BY-UA borderland. However, as always there will also be a place for creativity and artistic innovation. That is why during the Final Event the students will be divided into two workshop groups: scientific-technical and music-arts, which will work in mixed, international teams. The effects of their activities will be shown during the Final Event, and the most interesting presentations will be awarded. In addition, the registered teams will participate in a knowledge quiz about the common Polish-Ukrainian borderland, where the 3 best teams will receive additional prizes. For participating in the Final, a set of promotional gifts and diplomas will be given to each participant (including teachers/guardians). Each team will also receive a collective diploma. The prize for all participants of the Final is also a trip to Warsaw and... the opportunity to make priceless international contacts!

**IMPORTANT! The PL-BY-UA Programme organises and covers travel (from your institution to the Final Event's venue), accommodation, food, excursion and insurance costs for all 16 selected teams. NOTE: In case of significant limitations due to force majeure, the format of the Final event may be changed, of which participants will be notified in advance.**