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to higher levels in the Farming sector in Europe

Young Farmers for the Future !
- European & pan-European Youth Forum -
16th - 17th of April 2019
Hosman village, Transylvania, Romania

Dear Young Farmers,

Eco Ruralis - in support of peasant farming is pleased to invite you to “Young Farmers for the Future!”, a European and pan-European youth forum, that will be held in Romania, Hosman village, between the 16th and 17th of April 2020.

With the occasion of the International Day of Peasants’ Struggle, up to 34 young small-scale farmers from 34 countries will converge from all over Europe for a series of **meetings, debates, workshops and knowledge sharing activities** on how the future agriculture would look like through the eyes of youth: topics under discussion will be **sustainable farming, agroecology, food sovereignty, market access, access to land and natural resources**...and any other topic you find valuable!

Young farmers of today are creating the basis of tomorrow's agriculture: working together we can shape our future!

We aim to constitute an **action plan** for young farmers all around Europe and a **road map** to address European policymakers: together, we can share fears and hopes, needs and demands, aspirations and complaints, build networks, enrich knowledge and propose practical solutions.

Collective action is what European fields need!



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Criteria for participation

The BOND Youth Forum is addressing **small-scale farmers under 34 years old**, regardless of their gender, orientation, religion, and located in one of the **34 countries selected**, EU members or other European countries.

Journey, food, accommodation and local expenses will be offered to the participants.

Procedure for submitting the application

We invite you to send us a **motivation letter (max. 500 words) or a 3-minutes video** expressing your **motivation** to participate at the forum. The motivation info should include a brief description of you as young farmer and of your organization (if you are part of one), the reasons why you want to be selected as a participant and why you are a good candidate for your country, your main topics of interests to be debated in the forum, what you expect from it, etc. **Be creative and inventive:** feel free to express through stories, poems, paintings, etc!

- The **letter** should be sent by the **15th of February, 2020** to the e-mail address **youthforum@ecoruralis.ro**, with the subject “**Application to Young Farmers for the Future**”.
- The **video** should be uploaded on a platform and the link sent by the **15th of February, 2020** to the e-mail address **youthforum@ecoruralis.ro**, with the subject “**Application to Young Farmers for the Future**”.

By the beginning of March, the committee - a group of selected partners of BOND - will select one participant from each European country.

The youth forum “Young Farmers for the Future” is organized under the **EU Horizon 2020 project “BOND: Bringing Organizations and Network Development to higher levels in the Farming sector in Europe”**. To know more about the **activity**, check <https://www.bondproject.eu/project-activities/youth-forum-for-the-future/>. At <https://tinyurl.com/ttob9vh> you will find our list of **FAQs**.

Looking forward for your applications!

Kind regards,

Eco Ruralis Team



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