

Eurodyssey Forum 2023

São Miguel Island, Açores, Portugal

6-9 November 2023

Monday 6 November

Arrival of the participants and check-in at the hotels*

Arrival airport: Ponta Delgada - João Paulo II Airport, on São Miguel Island.

The list of recommended hotels and preferential rates will be sent to the registered participants only.

18:00 - 19:00	<p>Meeting of the Eurodyssey Steering Committee</p> <p><u>Venue:</u> <i>Direção Regional de Qualificação Profissional e Emprego</i></p> <p><u>Address:</u> <i>Rua Dr. José Bruno Tavares Carreiro, S/N.</i></p> <p><u><i>For members of the Eurodyssey Steering Committee only.</i></u></p>
19:30 - 22:00	<p>Welcome reception</p> <p><u>Venue:</u> <i>Solar da Graça</i></p> <p><u>Address:</u> <i>Rua do Mercado 46, Ponta Delgada</i></p> <p>Welcome speeches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Esther Estany, Eurodyssey President ● Albert Castellanos Maduell, AER President ● David Batsikadze, AER Vice-President; Chairman of the Education, Science, Culture and Sport Committee of the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Ajara (Georgia) ● Christian Spahr, AER Secretary General ● Pedro Faria e Castro, Undersecretary of the Presidency of the Regional Government of the Azores

Tuesday 7 November

9:00	<p>Arrivals and Registrations</p> <p><u>Venue:</u> <i>Teatro Micaelense, Centro Cultural e de Congressos, SA, Largo de São João 9500-106 Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Açores</i></p>
9:30	<p>Keynote speeches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Esther Estany, Eurodyssey President

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10:00 - 10:25	Coffee break & get to know each other
10:30	<p>Opening plenary: Youth mobility and skills development in rural and peripheral areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sofia Marques da Silva, Centre for Research and Intervention in Education, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, University of Porto ● Susana Mira Leal, Rector, University of the Azores ● Maika Aversano, General Director of ASPAL, Sardinian Agency for Active Labour Policies ● Quentin Legouy, Young Elected Politician at the European Committee of the Regions, Loir-Et-Cher (France) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Christian Spahr, AER Secretary General <p>Testimonies from Eurodyssey trainees and alumni:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In-person testimonial from 3 trainees and alumni in São Miguel Island - Videos realised by Eurodyssey trainees in Azores
12:30	<p>Lunch at Cais da Sardinha Restaurant <i>Address: Av. Infante Dom Henrique, 9500-768 Ponta Delgada</i></p>
14:00 - 16:00	<p>Eurodyssey capacity-building workshop: Hosting and sending Eurodyssey trainees</p> <p>Facilitators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Johanna Pacevicius, Knowledge Transfer Coordinator, AER ● Lorène Weber, Programmes Coordinator, AER
16:15 - 17:45	<p>Eurodyssey website training, facilitated by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lorène Weber, Programmes Coordinator, AER
19:30	<p>Dinner in Ponta Delgada, at Hotel Talisman Restaurant <i>Address: Rua Marquês da Praia e Monforte, nº 10 – São José, 9500-089.</i></p>

Wednesday 8 November

9:00	Arrivals and Registrations <i>Venue: Teatro Micaelense, Centro Cultural e de Congressos, SA, Largo de São João 9500-106 Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Açores</i>
9:30 - 9:45	Keynote speeches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nuno Gomes, Regional Director of Professional Qualification and Employment in Azores ● Video message from Nicolas Schmit, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights ● Video message from Oliver Röpke, President of the European Economic and Social Committee
9:45 - 12:30 <i>Coffee break at 11:00</i>	Intergenerational Regional Debate - Towards the 2024 European Elections <p>In the run-up to the 2024 European Parliament elections, this debate will present a great opportunity to discuss the key challenges confronting Europe today and how we can contribute to forging a more democratic, inclusive and sustainable future. The debate will focus on various aspects of citizen participation at European and local level, and specifically on digitalisation and life in rural areas.</p> <p><i>MEET, “Mobilise Europe = Engage Together” is a EU-funded project led by the European Youth Forum, in partnership with the AER. The MEET Regional Debates aim at creating space to make youth voices heard and to foster intergenerational debate between young people and politicians.</i></p> Opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Christian Spahr, AER Secretary General ● Rolando Lima Lalanda Gonçalves, Associate Professor at the University of the Azores Facilitators, contributors and partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mirjam de Jong, Project & Communication Officer, AER ● Erik Hayes Gomez, Project and Programmes Assistant, AER ● Catarina Semedo Madail de Oliveira, Youth Delegate for Portugal, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe ● Rui Oliveira, President of the Portuguese National Youth Council
12:30	Lunch at Cais da Sardinha Restaurant <i>Address: Av. Infante Dom Henrique, 9500-768 Ponta Delgada</i>

14:00 - 16:00	Eurodissey capacity-building workshops: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Internal communications (<i>translation provided</i>), facilitated by Johanna Pacevicius, AER Knowledge Transfer Coordinator ● External communications and promotion (<i>English only</i>), facilitated by Erik Hayes Gomez and Teodora Nicolaescu, AER Programmes & Communications Assistants
16.30	Study Visit - Sete Cidades and the lakes <i>tbc depending on weather conditions. An alternative study visit will be proposed if the weather conditions are not favourable.</i> <i>Bus arrives at 16.30 at Rua Dr. José Bruno Tavares Carreiro, S/N.</i>
19:30	Dinner in Ponta Delgada, at Hotel Talisman Restaurant <i>Address: Rua Marquês da Praia e Monforte, nº 10 – São José, 9500-089.</i>

Thursday 9 November

9:00	Arrivals and Registrations <i>Venue: Teatro Micaelense, Centro Cultural e de Congressos, SA, Largo de São João 9500-106 Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Açores</i>
9:30 - 12:00 Coffee break at 10:45	Eurodissey Statutory Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation of the yearly Activity & Statistical Report ● Eurodissey State of membership ● Q&A - Open exchange Eurodissey elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation of the candidates to the Eurodissey Steering Committee ● Q&A with the candidates ● Elections of the Eurodissey Steering Committee Moderation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lorène Weber, AER Programmes Coordinator Closing address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Representative from the Eurodissey team in Açores ● Newly elected Eurodissey President
12:00	Lunch at Cais da Sardinha Restaurant <i>Address: Av. Infante Dom Henrique, 9500-768 Ponta Delgada</i>

13:30	<p>Meeting of the newly elected Eurodyssey Steering Committee For members of the Eurodyssey Steering Committee only</p> <p><i>Venue: Direção Regional de Qualificação Profissional e Emprego</i> <i>Address: Rua Dr. José Bruno Tavares Carreiro, S/N.</i></p>
15:00 - 18:00	<p>Study Visit - Furnas & Gorreana Tea Factory <i>Bus arrives at 15.00 at Rua Dr. José Bruno Tavares Carreiro, S/N.</i></p>
19:30	<p>Farewell Dinner and Networking Evening in Furnas</p>

Information about departures / travel.

The host region recommends Azores Airlines if available.

Flight connections to São Miguel Island are available in Lisbon and Porto.

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