





# Student Leadership Bootcamp Warsaw 2026 Call for applications for university students

Hello, future leaders!

EucA (European University College Association) is thrilled to present to you the fourth edition of the Student Leadership Bootcamp, taking place in Warsaw from 16 to 18 April 2026!

But first, let's take a look back...From Malmö to Budapest to Seville, the EucA Student Leadership Bootcamp keeps growing, bringing together an ever-expanding group of passionate student leaders ready to make an impact! Across all editions, participants have explored powerful themes such as leadership, community engagement, sustainability, and mental health, learning from inspiring experts and from one another. Each year, it's more than just an event; it's a movement of European students leading with purpose, connection, and heart.

## **Art.1 Event Description & Agenda**

Building on these inspiring experiences, the Student Leadership Bootcamp in Warsaw will be an energizing three day adventure where student leaders come together to unlock their full potential.

Participants will have the opportunity to connect with the Students' Union of the Warsaw University of Technology (WUT) and take part in interactive activities and immersive cultural experiences designed to sharpen leadership skills, spark bold ideas, and build a vibrant European network.

Expect dynamic presentations, creative challenges, and unforgettable moments that will transform the way you communicate, collaborate, and lead!

#### Art 2 Duration, Dates & Agenda

The Bootcamp will take place from 16 to 18 April 2025. Participants will arrive on 16 April, with activities starting at 4:00 PM. The day of 17 April will be fully dedicated to conference sessions, while the programme will conclude on 18 April at 1:00 PM. The first day will be dedicated to arrivals in the morning, followed by a cultural activity in the afternoon. On Friday, the schedule will be entirely devoted to the conference, beginning with a morning lecture and an expert presentation. The late morning and the entire afternoon will feature student presentations during dedicated sessions. A similar format will continue on Saturday, with the morning focused on student presentations and training sessions led by international experts. The agenda will conclude on Saturday afternoon before lunch. Please note that the agenda is subject to changes and further definition.







**Art 3 Location and Modality** This edition will be held in Warsaw, Poland, fully in-person and conducted entirely in English, including workshops, presentations, and cultural activity.

# **Art. 4 Learning Outcomes**

By participating in the Bootcamp, students will:

- Exchange good practices and innovative approaches across Active Citizenship, Student Engagement, Mental Health, and Sustainability, fostering a collaborative learning environment where strategies are shared and solutions are co-created for diverse institutional contexts.
- Develop practical leadership competencies and tools to strengthen student voice, promote participatory governance, and drive meaningful change in your academic community.
- Build a cross-European network by sharing successful initiatives and collaborating on problem-solving.

#### Art. 5 Fee

In line with the *Erasmus+ 2025 v2 Programme Guide*, participation fees vary depending on your country's income classification:

- Countries with higher living costs: €350 (with accommodation), €250 (without accommodation)
- Countries with medium living costs: €310 (with accommodation), €210 (without accommodation)
- Countries with lower living costs: €270 (with accommodation), €170 (without accommodation)

## Country classifications:

- Countries with higher living costs: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland.
- Countries with medium living costs: Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, Greece, Latvia, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain;
- Countries with lower living costs: Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Türkiye, Ukraine;

Art. 6 Training Hours The program will provide 14 hours of training.

## **Art. 7 Target Audience**

This bootcamp is designed for student leaders from diverse backgrounds and all fields of study who are currently enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program and demonstrate active engagement & leadership skills in their college, residence hall and academic institutions. Students attending will be expected to present ideas, colleges and projects related to the bootcamp topics.

<sup>\*</sup>Accommodation consists of a shared room for 2 nights in the center of Warsaw.







## Art. 8 Methodology

The Bootcamp uses a non-formal learning approach based on hands-on, participatory methods. Participants engage through dynamic and interactive presentations like World Café discussions, Gallery Walks, TED-style and role-plays.

This approach develops essential soft skills including communication, teamwork, critical thinking, and problem-solving. The bootcamp brings together professionals from various colleges to live and learn together, creating an immersive environment for sharing and exchanging good practices about residential life in higher education. This experience fosters peer-to-peer learning and intercultural dialogue, empowering participants to bring innovative ideas and concrete improvements back to their own college and university communities.

#### Art. 9 Presentations

All students attending the event are required to give a presentation, either individually or in groups.

We encourage students from the same college to collaborate. The goal of the presentation is to share best practices, foster innovative ideas and develop soft skills. All presentations must be in English and have a maximum duration of 20 minutes. Each presentation should focus on one of the bootcamp topics.

Participation in the presentation is mandatory for all students attending the bootcamp.

Please note that PowerPoint presentations are NOT allowed for this bootcamp, so make sure to prepare using the permitted formats and modalities of non-formal learning:

#### **Performance & Presentations Styles Accepted**

- A) Theatre Sketch/Role-Play Act out real scenarios; audience joins as characters
- B) Documentary Style Present as if narrating a documentary, with audience as "witnesses"
- C) World Café Method Small groups rotate through flip chart stations with guiding questions
- D) Gallery Walk Create poster/visual stations; present while participants explore and add sticky notes
- E) Photo Prints Journey Guide through printed images laid on floor/tables
- F) Object-Based Presentation Use physical objects as metaphors; pass them around
- G) TED-Style Talk with Movement Speaker moves through the audience, creating proximity and intimacy

Further information will be provided once the participation in the bootcamp is confirmed.

# **Art. 10 Innovation Aspects**

The Warsaw edition challenges participants to step out of their comfort zones and transform how they communicate ideas. Through embodied learning, creative expression, and collaborative storytelling, students will discover that the most powerful messages don't come from screens - they come from authentic human connection, physical movement, and shared experience. This isn't just about delivering content; it's about sparking conversations, building trust, and creating moments that stick. Every participant will leave with sharper public speaking skills, greater confidence, and a completely reimagined







understanding of what leadership communication can be. Get ready to present like you've never presented before.

## Art. 11 Liability and Safety

Participants are recommended to have personal travel insurance to cover health and travel risks. EU students are required to carry a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) during the trip. Non-EU students must ensure they have comprehensive travel insurance.

## Art. 12 Application Timeline and Procedure

- **Step 1, Apply:** The application period runs from 11 November 2025 to 26 January 2026. Complete the online application form: Application Form Student Leadership Bootcamp on 16-18 April in Warsaw, Poland
- **Step 2**, Get your official confirmation: After submitting your application, you will receive a confirmation email. Please don't buy your plane tickets before you receive the official confirmation and before getting specific information from EucA staff.
- **Step 3**, Stay connected with us: The EucA team will guide you through the process and support you in organizing your presentations during the conference, stay in touch with us throughout.
- **Step 4**, Stay updated on logistics! Keep an eye on our communications via email about the event logistics and get ready to book your tickets!
- **Step 5**, Receive the Infopack: All participants will receive a comprehensive Infopack with practical details and useful tips for the event at least two weeks before.
- **Step 6**, Join the event: Take part in the Bootcamp and enjoy the experience!

#### Art. 13 What's Included and Not Included

#### Included in the Bootcamp:

- 2 nights of accommodation in a shared hostel room in Warsaw (if you or your college or you select the fee with the accommodation option);
- Admission to all bootcamp activities, with a guaranteed spot to present;
- 1 light lunch and 1 aperitivo the day of the event.
- Cultural activity in Warsaw;
- Training sessions from international experts on Active Citizenship, Student Engagement, Mental Health, and Sustainability;
- Certificate of training hours;
- Infopack with all essential information about the bootcamp;
- Onboarding session prior to the event.

# Not included:

International travel to/from Warsaw:







- Local transportation in Warsaw and transfer from the airport to the city center;
- Additional meals outside of those provided.

Art. 14 Partnership Organized By EucA, Students' Union of the Warsaw University of Technology, the Warsaw University of Technology (WUT), in collaboration with the EucA members.

Art. 15 Registration Policy Open until 90 confirmed applicants.

### **Art. 16 Cancellation Policy**

To ensure clarity and transparency, our cancellation policy is structured in phases:

- Until 31/12/2025: 100% refund of the amount paid;
- From 1/01/2026 to 01/02/2026: 50% refund;
- From 02/02/2026 until the first day of the event: No refund.

Name changes are allowed until 14/03/2026. Any additional costs will be calculated by EucA and covered by the participant. EucA reserves the right to approve or deny name changes due to logistical constraints.

# Art. 17 Budget and Funding

This event is funded by EucA and its members. Financial resources are managed transparently to ensure high-quality programming. Please note that scholarships are not available for this edition.

#### Art. 18 Code of Conduct

Participants are expected to adhere to a respectful, professional, and collaborative code of conduct, reflecting the values promoted by EucA and the project, including: respect and professionalism, active participation, punctuality and attendance, compliance with instructions provided by EucA organizers, facilitators, and venue staff.

Any behaviour contrary to these values, such as disrespect, exclusion, or actions misaligned with the project's ethos, may result in disciplinary action, including formal warning from organizers, removal from specific activities and, in severe cases, dismissal from the project at the participant's expense. The objective is to create a safe, positive, and inspiring environment for all attendees.

## Art. 19 Data Protection and Privacy

Personal data collected will be processed in full compliance with GDPR regulations and used exclusively for purposes related to the bootcamp.







# Art. 20 Risk Management

- Incident Reporting: All emergencies or incidents will be documented and reviewed by EucA to improve safety and prevention protocols for future editions.
- Emergency Procedures: Participants are expected to follow the venue's procedures, which will be shared in advance, and comply with local regulations and guidance from relevant authorities.

# Art. 21 Post-Event Feedback and Mobility Certificate

At the conclusion of the bootcamp, participants will be invited to complete a Feedback Form to help enhance future events. Upon successful participation, students will receive an official EucA Mobility Certificate, recognizing their full engagement in the program.

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