

Arbeitskreis Europäische Jugendwochen Burg Ludwigstein e.V.

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Conditions for participation 65th. European Youth Week 2026

Date: August 1st to 8th, 2026

Location: Burg Ludwigstein, Germany (postal address: Jugendburg Ludwigstein, 37214 Witzenhausen). The castle is located close to Witzenhausen between Göttingen and Kassel, 200 km northeast of Frankfurt/M.

Character of the festival: The European Youth Week is a unique festival with an almost familiar atmosphere. All participants stay at the castle for the whole week. In general, we invite only four folklore groups. One characteristic of the European Youth Week are the workshops in the morning (singing, dancing, discussion groups, craft work, juggling etc.). All participants are asked to join them. In the evening performances take place at the open air stage in front of the castle. To get more information on our festival please visit our web site: www.eurowoche.org

Costs: We are able to cover board and lodging at the castle for a limited number of participants (about 15 to 30 persons depending on the number of participating groups). We provide three meals per day. The bed rooms at the castle are at youth hostel standard. Most bedrooms have 4 to 8 beds. Unfortunately we are neither able bear the costs for travelling nor can we pay a daily allowance.

Group size and age: The number of participants from each group is limited to 30 persons for a big group and 15 persons for a small group (including musicians, group leaders, bus drivers, accompanying persons etc.). If the bed capacity of the castle allows, additional persons may participate if the invitees agree and the costs for the additional persons are fully covered by the invited group.

The European Youth Week is a meeting of young people. Therefore, the vast majority of the group should have an age between 14 and 27 years.

Performances: All groups are asked to give ca. 4-5 short performances (ca. 15-20 min.) and to present a full evening programme of about 90 min. We expect that dances are accompanied by a life band.

Selection process: Please send your application per email to:

heike.diehl@gmx.de

The application should comprehend

- a filled-out application form (see below)
- a link to your group's website
- a DVD or links to YouTube with recent performances of the group
- some good photos (via e-mail) from your group which are suitable for press articles and for our website

On the basis of your application we decide on the invitations. Typically the final decision is made at a board meeting in February.

Further information: If you need any specific information do not hesitate to contact us by email or phone. Contact data are:

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