OPEN CALL FOR MEMBERSHIP OF ADVISORY BOARD

in the Ukrainian-Danish Youth House



Dear Youth in Ukraine and Denmark

At the Danish Cultural Institute (DCI) and the Danish Youth Council (DUF) we are working to establish a Ukrainian-Danish Youth House in Kyiv. This House will serve as a strong platform for democratic activism and youth-to-youth cooperation and be a physical hub for the exchange of ideas, culture and best practices between our two countries. With the house as a base, our vision is to strengthen existing partnerships and develop new ones between the young generation in Denmark and in Ukraine.

In the House, we want the future users to be able to influence its establishment. To this end, we are establishing an Advisory Board with representatives of both Danish and Ukrainian youth. The role of this advisory board will be to guide us (DCI and DUF) and our secretariat in Kyiv on a strategic level when establishing the House in 2021. Beyond 2021, a new Advisory Board will be established with representatives from House's future user groups.

Accordingly, in 2021 the Advisory board will specifically be:

- Advising on the thematic priorities of planned house activities, including for example a Youth Festival and a Youth Exchange Program
- Suggesting new initiatives and ideas for activities concerning issues of significance to the user groups and youth in the two countries
- Providing input for stakeholder and partner development in Ukraine and Denmark
- Furthering our understanding of the landscape of civil society youth organizations and groups in Denmark and Ukraine.

The role of advisory board members

The Advisory board's period will correspond to the establishment of the Youth House, and thus members will be appointed for 1-year period, starting in the beginning of 2021. It is expected that the advisory board will meet a minimum of four times in 2021, with one physical meeting planned in Kyiv for all members (the remaining meetings will be online). Between meetings the advisory board members are expected to act as "ambassadors" of the House and prioritize involvement and promotion of central House activities.

The position as an advisory board member is voluntary, but expenses related to travel will be reimbursed. Finally, we expect members in the execution of their roles, to be committed to non-discrimination, non-violence and democratic organising and participation, but also to assist us in further developing the common values of the house.

Who can apply?

We are looking for representatives of both large youth organizations, youth groups as well as individual young people with relevant experiences/skills of value to the House. Our aim is to establish an Advisory Board reflecting the diversity of both Danish and Ukrainian youth and of the future user groups in the House. This means we are interested in receiving applications from youth actors working in youth civil society and culture at large.

Accordingly, we will seek to establish an advisory board of 18 members (9 members from DK and 9 members from UA) with representation across different types of individuals/organizations in terms of expertise, gender, focus, ways of working, experience with international exchange and cooperation, and geographical presence.

Finally, applicants should have sufficient knowledge of English to be able to communicate verbally and in writing.

How to apply?

To submit an application for membership of the Advisory Board, please fill out the attached form, and send this to Daniel Honoré Jensen/DUF at dhj@duf.dk and Olaf Gerlach-Hansen/DCI at ogh@danishculture.com

For more details on the youth house, please find the concept note for the House on our respective websites (www.danishculture.com and www.duf.dk). But also please feel free to contact us on the emails above, if you have any further questions.

Applications must be submitted before 20th of December 2020

With kind regards, the Danish Cultural Institute & the Danish Youth Council



