

EUPeace Creative Spaces

Call for Expressions of Interest 2025

The EUPeace Alliance for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies is looking for expressions of interest for organising Creative Spaces. With this activity, the EUPeace Alliance aims at fostering open and transdisciplinary discussions of cutting-edge questions around the topics of peace, justice, and inclusive societies. In order to enrich the thematic discussions in the Research Hubs, the Creative Spaces present a framework for a more flexible and transdisciplinary exchange. The Creative Spaces will hence provide the Research Hubs and actors beyond the Alliance with the opportunity to develop collaborations at the margins of the themes addressed and to foster the cooperation between Research Hubs.

Key Information on the Creative Spaces

- Creative Spaces are in-person events that involve actors beyond academia (e.g. civil society actors).
- Creative Spaces can evolve out of EUPeace Research Hubs or EUPeace Work Package cooperation and address important topics of a strong societal relevance and/or related to teaching.
- The Creative Space organisers can be supported by the team of the Work Package 6 “Research Hubs and Doctoral Studies” in developing creative approaches to their topics.
- Research Hub members, doctoral candidates and master students as well as societal actors are warmly invited to participate in the Creative Spaces.

Key Information on the Call

- Expressions of Interest for organising a Creative Space can be handed in by all Research Hub members, individually or as a team that encompasses members of one or several Research Hubs. EUPeace doctoral candidates and students or non-academic actors can also create an Expression of Interest when they want to bring a specific topic to a Research Hub’s attention.
- Extended Deadline for submitting Expressions of Interest: **23 April 2025**.
- At least one member of the organising team has the opportunity to participate in a training on design thinking techniques in order to support the creative character of the discussions.
- We offer up to 2.000€ for organising a Creative Space which can be used for different needs (e.g. funding travel costs, inviting external speakers, involving societal actors or organising a follow-up event for solidifying the cooperation, etc.).
- All Creative Spaces selected in this Call will take place on **Wednesday, 24 September 2025 from 9am-12pm (CET) at the University of West Bohemia in Pilsen**, so on the day after the [EUPeace Conference 2025](#).
- After the organisation of the Creative Spaces on 24 September 2025, there will be the opportunity to join a **virtual exchange** to transform the ideas created into sustainable projects.

How to create an Expression of Interest

Please send the following information in one pdf-document to Miriam Tekath (miriam.tekath@verwaltung.uni-marburg.de) until 23 April 2025:

- **Title** of the Creative Space
- **Abstract** with a description of the Creative Space (max. 300 words), including information on the following points:
 - Which topic will be addressed in the framework of the Creative Space?
 - Why is the topic of societal relevance?
 - How will actors beyond academia be involved in the Creative Space?
- **List** of the organising team, including their email-addresses

Selection process

The EUPeace Work Package 6 team that is responsible for organising the Creative Spaces will select up to three Creative Spaces out of the received expressions of interest. The selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Relevance of the topic for peace, justice, and inclusive societies
- Societal relevance of the topic
- Involvement of actors beyond academia

Contact

For questions, please contact Melina Sadiković (melina.sadikovic@fpn.unsa.ba) or Miriam Tekath (miriam.tekath@verwaltung.uni-marburg.de).

About EUPeace

EUPeace is the European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies.

Our mission is to provide tomorrow's citizens with the skills, knowledge, and experience to cultivate Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies. We explicitly address all sciences and fields, from the humanities and social sciences to the natural and life sciences as well as engineering, and are inspired by the rebuilt bridge of Mostar – the symbol in our logo – as a testament to how dialogue can overcome conflict.

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