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YOUTH VOICES, COOPERATIVE CHOICES

**Advancing a Democratic Economy
in Enlarged Europe**

MagNet Community House Conference Centre
Budapest, 29 June - 1 July 2026




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01 • Welcome to Budapest

Dear participants,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to Budapest for "Youth Voices, Cooperative Choices. Advancing a Democratic Economy in Enlarged Europe" on 29 June – 1 July 2026.



This is the first European regional youth event under #coops4dev  co-organised by Cooperatives Europe, the Hungarian cooperative DiákÉSZ, and the Young European Cooperators Network (YECN).

Budapest is a city with a unique combination of rich cultural heritage and a history of international cooperation. Today, it offers a dynamic setting for dialogue on youth participation, cooperation, and people-centred economies in enlarged Europe.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in person, exchanging experiences and learning from this very special occasion.

We wish you a pleasant journey and enjoyable stay in Budapest.

02 • Travel information

Arrival by Air

The nearest airport is **Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport**:

- Distance to Budapest: 16km from the city centre
- Travel time: approximately 25 minutes

Participants will be accomodated at **Hotel Benczúr** and **Hotel Ibis**



How to go from Budapest Airport to Hotel Benczúr?

1. Take airport bus **100E** until stop *Deák Ferenc tér M*, then...
 - Take metro line **M1** until stop *Bajza Utca M* → Walk 6 minutes OR
 - Walk to stop *Bajcsy-Zsilinszky út M* → Take bus line **210** OR bus line **105** until stop *Bajza utca M* → Walk 4 minutes OR
2. Take airport bus **200E** until stop *Kőbánya-Kispest M*, then...
 - take metro line **M3** until stop *Deák Ferenc tér M* → Change to metro line **M3** until stop *Bajza utca* → Walk 5 minutes



How to go from Budapest Airport to Hotel Ibis?

1. Take airport bus **100E** until stop *Astoria M*, then...
 - Take bus line **73** until stop *Honvédkórház (Hősök tere M)* OR
2. Take airport bus **100E** until stop *Deák Ferenc Tér M*, then...
 - Take metro line **M1** until stop *Hősök tere* → walk 5 minutes


03 • Venue & Directions

The event will take place at the MagNet Community House Conference Centre / MagNet Közösségi Ház:

MagNet Közösségi Ház
Andrássy út 98
1062 Budapest, Hungary

How to get there from the **Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport**

1. Take airport bus **100E** until stop *Deák Ferenc tér M*, then...
 - Take metro line **M1** until stop *Bajza Utca* → Walk 2 minutes OR
 - Take bus line **210** until stop *Kodály körönd M* → Walk 1 minute OR
 - Take bus line **72** until stop *Bajza utca* → Walk 8 minutes OR
2. Take airport bus **200E** until stop *Kőbánya-Kispest*, then...
 - Take metro line **M3** until stop *Deák Ferenc* → Change to metro line **M1** until stop *Bajza Utca* → Walk 2 minutes

 Google Maps Route: Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD) → MagNet Community House, Andrássy út 98, 1062

*Please note that **100E** and **200E** require a specific airport shuttle ticket. These can be purchased in advance via BudapestoGO app or from the airport's ticket machines.*

03 • Venue & Directions

How to go from the hotels to MagNet Community House Conference Centre?

From Hotel Ibis:

- Take bus line **210** or bus line **105** until stop *Bajza utca M* → walk 2 minutes
- Take metro line **M1** until stop *Bajza utca* → walk 2 minutes
- Walk 11 minutes



Google Maps Route: ibis Budapest Heroes Square, Dózsa György út 106, 1068 Budapest → MagNet Community House, Andrásy út 98, 1062 Budapest

From Hotel Benczúr:

- Walk 7 minutes



Google Maps Route: Hotel Benczúr, Benczúr utca 35, 1068 Budapest, Hungary → MagNet Community House, Andrásy út 98, 1062 Budapest, Hungary

04 • Agenda Day 1 - 29 June 2026

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 **Empowerment & Engagement**
 **Employment & Skills**
 **Entrepreneurship**
 **Networking**

TIME	CATEGORY	SESSION
h 13:00 – 14:00		<i>Welcome & Registration</i>
h 14:00 – 15:15	Opening Panel	Youth and the Cooperative Model in Enlarged Europe
h 15:15 – 15:30		<i>Coffee Break</i>
h 15:30 – 16:45 Parallel sessions	Workshop	Understanding Cooperatives: Core Values and Pathways for Youth
	Peer-2-Peer Session	Cooperative Learning: Navigating Challenges Together (STAR Method)
h 16:45 – 17:15		<i>Coffee Break</i>
h 17:15 – 18:30 Parallel sessions	Workshop	Youth Leadership
	Policy Lab	Future Formats of Youth Engagement in Coops
h 19:30 – 22:00		<i>Networking Dinner (at the venue)</i>

04 • Agenda Day 2 - 30 June 2026

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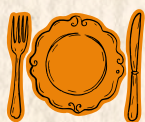
CATEGORY	SESSION
h 08:30 – 09:00	<i>Welcome Coffee</i>
h 09:00 – 10:00	Panel Debate Enabling environment for youth cooperative entrepreneurship
h 10:00 – 10:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
h 10:30 – 13:30 <i>Parallel sessions</i>	Cooperation in Action Start & Improve Your Business (ILO-led Business Game)
	Workshop From Idea to Impact: Purpose-Driven Co-Creation and Resource Strategies
	Cooperation in Action DiákÉSZ Coops Day Ceremony (Hungarian only) - Ministry of Agriculture
h 13:30 - 15:00	<i>Lunch + cooperative visit</i>
h 15:00 - 16:15	Cooperation in Action Let's coop! - Board game
h 16:15 - 16:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
h 16:30 - 18:30	Cooperation in Action Cooperative Tech4good: how to digitalise your business
h 16:30 - 18:30	<i>OR</i>
h 16:30 - 17:30	Workshop Turn Ideas into Impact: engage in the WELCOME journey
h 17:30 - 18:30	Policy Lab Money Grows on Trees: Cooperative Solutions Across Sectors
h 19:00 - 22:00	<i>Danube cruise (& dinner / party)</i>

04 • Agenda Day 3 - 1 July 2026

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TIME	CATEGORY	SESSION
h 09:00 – 10:00	Cooperation in Action	Networking coffee Explore the cooperative economy (stands)
h 10:00 – 11:15	Panel Debate	<i>From perception to action: when cooperation becomes a successful business plan</i>
h 11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
h 11:30 – 12:30	Closing Panel	Adoption of Budapest Recommendations
h 12:30 – 13:30	Cooperation in Action	Cooperative visit

CATERING



Meals will be provided throughout the whole event, starting with dinner on 29 June and ending with a light lunch on 1 July.

05 • Visits to local cooperatives

During the event, you will have the opportunity to visit two local cooperatives established in Budapest:

1) Szomszédok Nyugdíjas Szövetkezet

- **Szomszédok Nyugdíjas Szövetkezet** is a Hungarian pensioner's cooperative established in 2017.
- The cooperative focuses on active aging, community-building, and creating flexible employment opportunities for retirees across Hungary.
- It is a good example of how the cooperative model can contribute to social inclusion, intergenerational cooperation, and labour market participation in later life.
- This cooperative is a member of the **KözÉsz network**.

2) Magyar Gazdakörök és Gazdaszövetkezetek Szövetsége — MAGOSZ

- **Magyar Gazdakörök és Gazdaszövetkezetek Szövetsége (MAGOSZ)** is the Hungarian federation of farmers' circles and agricultural cooperatives.
- MAGOSZ is one of the major representative organisations of Hungarian farmers and rural communities.
- This cooperative can provide participants with insights into agricultural cooperation, rural representation and the role of organised farmer communities in Hungary.

06 • Practical information



Payments and currency

- The official currency is the **Hungarian Forint (HUF)**.
- Card payments are generally accepted, but it can be useful to have some cash for smaller shops or local services.
- In Hungary, **tipping** is customary in restaurants (10-15%) unless a service charge is already included in the bill.
- You can exchange money in local ATM machines.



Weather

- During the days of the event (29 June to 1 July), warm summer conditions are expected, with temperatures potentially reaching **37-38°C**, as well as occasional precipitation.
- It is recommended to pack light clothing as well as something suitable for indoor air-conditioning or evening breeze.



Public transport

- Budapest has an efficient and extensive public transport system
- Services generally run from approximately **4:30 AM to 11:30 PM**, with a 24-hour tram line and night bus services available.
- The **BudapestGO app** is recommended for route planning and for buying digital tickets, which must always be validated before the start of a journey.

06 • Practical information



Private transport

- For those who want to get around by taxi, it is advisable to use official taxi services and apps such as Bolt, Uber, or Főtaxi.
- Budapest also has several other **shared mobility options**, including e-scooters, bikes and car-sharing services.



Safety tips

- The European emergency number is **112**
- Tap water is safe to drink in Budapest

06 • Practical information



Leisure

- The city also offers a wide range of cultural, historical, and recreational activities.
- Popular options include exploring the city's **historic centre** and its attractions:
 - Buda Castle
 - The Hungarian Parliament Building
 - Fisherman's Bastion
 - St Stephen's Basilica
 - Margaret Island
 - Budapest thermal baths
 - The Great Market Hall
 - The Jewish Quarter
- The area around **Deák Ferenc tér**, the **Danube promenade** and the **Jewish Quarter** are easily reachable by public transport.



Széchenyi Bath



Hungarian Parliament Building

07 • Reimbursement instructions



Keep all paper-based supporting documents (transport and hotel invoices, tickets, boarding passes)

- **Air/transport:** forward booking confirmation mail (must show name, itinerary, dates, cost, payment) + boarding passes.

*Please note that local transport costs are covered through a **country based per diem allowance and are therefore not reimbursed separately**. The only exception is transport to and from Budapest Airport on the arrival and departure days, which is eligible for reimbursement.*

Send all supporting documents (invoices, tickets, boarding passes) within 1 month (by 31st July 2026) to:

 p.rosatelli@coopseurope.coop

Expense notes will be prepared for you – check, sign (digital signature accepted), and return.

THANK YOU
&
SEE YOU IN BUDAPEST!

