



Call for members to host future EFRJ events or trainings

After the successful EFRJ Conferences, EFRJ Seminars/ Symposiums and EFRJ Summer Schools of the past years, hosted by some active EFRJ members across Europe, we wish to re-launch this traditional call (halted during lockdowns caused by the Covid-19 pandemic) to check the field: **who is willing to take up this challenge, and host the EFRJ community in the upcoming years?!**

Learn from previous local co-organisers

Do you have questions? You can contact the Team of Restorative Justice Practices of the University of Sassari or the Albanian Foundation for Conflict Resolution (respectively, hosts of the conferences Sassari 2022 and Tirana 2018), or the Ministry of Labour and Justice from the Basque Government or the TOA – Servicebureau for Victim-Offender Mediation and Conflict Settlement (who hosted the symposium in Bilbao 2019 and the seminar in Berlin 2017), or the Faculty of Law and Administration of Gdańsk University or the CESGREM – Centre for Restorative Justice and Mediation Studies at Insubria University (respectively, hosts of the summer schools in Gdansk 2019 and Como 2017). We are sure that, despite the hard work, they remember our cooperation with a lot of enthusiasm and affection!

The call for hosts ends on 30 September 2022. You will be informed about the Board decision by the end of November.

All proposals will be evaluated together by the Secretariat and Board, based on the country representation, organising team's work and motivation, local support and impact, and practical arrangements (in terms of accessibility and affordability, venue proposed, costs and funding). In case of acceptance of your candidature as a hosting organisation, each proposal will be negotiated on individual basis with the EFRJ Secretariat, before being announced to our community in January 2023.

Background info

Here you have a little summary of the cities that hosts EFRJ events in the past 22 years. As we try to give **visibility to different realities**, we will support candidatures coming from cities (regions and countries) we did not explore yet. Still, if you think we should come back to your city because of your innovative work in the field, feel free to submit your application and we will see how to find ways to cooperate!

Please note that all our events are co-financed by the Justice Programme of the European Union, meaning that we can use these funding **only in EU Member States**. Still, feel free to express your interest even if you are based in another country, but please propose already other sources of co-funding so that we can consider your application (at least this is certainly feasible for smaller events, such as seminars or trainings).

EFRJ Conferences	EFRJ Seminars/ Symposiums	EFRJ Summer Schools
2022 Sassari, Italy 2018 Tirana, Albania 2016 Leiden, Netherlands 2014 Belfast, United Kingdom 2012 Helsinki, Finland 2010 Bilbao, Spain 2008 Verona, Italy 2006 Barcelona, Spain 2004 Budapest, Hungary 2002 Oostende, Belgium 1999 Leuven, Belgium	2019 Bilbao, Spain 2017 Berlin, Germany 2015 Warsaw, Poland 2013 Lisbon, Portugal 2011 Brussels, Belgium 2009 Leuven, Belgium 2007 Lisbon, Portugal 2005 Sofia, Bulgaria 2003 Lisbon, Portugal 2001 Leuven, Belgium 2000 Leuven, Belgium	2019 Gdansk, Poland 2017 Como, Italy 2015 Lisbon, Portugal 2013 Vienna, Austria 2011 Canterbury, United Kingdom 2009 Barcelona, Spain 2007 Riga, Latvia 2005 Pilsen, Czech Republic

New from 2023, the EFRJ will also organise regular (online) trainings, a Winter Academy and a Trainers' Retreat: the call will include the possibility to host the Trainer's Retreat (while the Winter Academy will be located in our home country, Belgium).





Call for hosts!

This webform includes the following questions (think about it with your team and save your responses in a document, before submitting your expression of interest in the webform!):

- **EFRJ EVENTS** – What event(s) would you like to host and why? Please note that you may be contacted to negotiate on the choice of the event you wish to host, but chose here your preferred one.
 - EFRJ Seminar in June 2023 (1 day for 150 ppl, incl. AGM)
 - EFRJ Trainers' Retreat in July/August 2023 (5 days for 30 ppl)
 - EFRJ Conference in June 2024 (3 days for 380 ppl and 2 days for 50 ppl, incl. pre-conference training and AGM)
 - EFRJ Summer School in July 2025 (5 days for 30 ppl)
 - Other – please specify
- **THE ORGANISING TEAM** – Who are you? What is your specific area of work in restorative justice? Describe briefly your team and/or organisation and its work in terms of research, practice, policy work in restorative justice. Include also the contact details of the coordinator of this application.
- **MOTIVATION** – Why is it important for your organisation to host and co-organise the above chosen EFRJ event? Why should the EFRJ community visit you? What topics/ areas of work would you like to propose for an EFRJ event and why? Can your organisation (or the locality) be linked to a specific research topic or area of expertise relevant for restorative justice?
- **PRACTICALITIES** – Please provide a provisional list of practical arrangements for hosting an international group of participants (e.g. accessibility via plane, local transport, affordable accommodation and catering costs, etc.)?
- **VENUE** – What space can you provide for hosting the above mentioned EFRJ event (e.g. size of the auditorium/training venue, number of workshop rooms, technical equipment)? Can this venue be offered free of charge (e.g. by co-organising the event with a local partner such as a university)?
- **SUPPORT** – How can your organisation support the EFRJ staff with organising local services (e.g. accommodation, transportation, restaurants/catering, field trips, media contacts & local conference promotion, outreach to local participants, fundraising, social program, translation)? How can your organisation provide support the EFRJ staff during the conference days (i.e. finding local volunteers to fulfil different tasks)?
- **LOCAL COOPERATION & IMPACT** – Can your organisation mobilize local/regional/national partnerships and/or patronages (e.g. Ministry of Justice, universities, organisations, services, media) to promote and support the EFRJ event and the development of restorative justice in your country? Which other organisations/ authorities/ universities you plan to collaborate with? How could an EFRJ event in your country contribute to the development of restorative justice in your country? What local field visits (mostly for the conference) can you propose? What other contacts can you offer at the local/regional/national level?
- **COSTS & FUNDING** – Can you provide indicative prices for the venue, catering (coffee breaks and lunch), dinner (menu per person), accommodation (hotel nights), local transport? What local/ regional/ national funding can you or the EFRJ apply for? In case your country is not among the EU Member States (except Denmark), can you foresee co-funding for the event? (Explanation: Our EU grant can be used only for events organised in the EU Member States, except Denmark. We are open to applications from all European countries, but we need additional funding to cover the costs (approx. 25k for the summer school and seminar, approx. 75k EUR for the conference) in case we cannot use our EU grant.)
- **POSSIBLE CHALLENGES** – Do you foresee any risks or challenges regarding the event that the EFRJ should consider?
- **ANY OTHER REMARK** – Please add any relevant extra information here that the EFRJ should take into account.

Please note that in case of acceptance of your candidature as a hosting organisation, your contribution will be negotiated on individual basis with the EFRJ Secretariat and Board, before being publicly announced in January 2023. For more information contact Emanuela Biffi (emanuela.biffi@euforumrj.org).

Thanks for your submission and interest in hosting a EFRJ event! We will get in touch with you by the end of November.

