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Beyond Google and Facebook: EYA17 Digital Expert Forum – Digital Excellence for Social Impact to be selected in Prishtina, Kosovo

From September 28-30, 25 international Grand Jury Experts will pick the #EYA17 Winners – Europe’s most outstanding digital, social change-maker projects – in Prishtina, Kosovo. What’s more, they will share their knowledge and experience with local young professionals, start-ups and entrepreneurs during the public Digital Expert Forum.

Beyond Google and Facebook: European Youth Award (EYA) is a contest and a platform for innovation, excellence and social impact in the interactive digital space. It demonstrates what is done creatively and impactful in all corners of Europe.

Meeting in Prishtina – an outstanding, eclectic city with many incredible, creative young talents – the #EYA17 Grand Jury will make final decisions. Out of 144 submissions for the EYA 2017, 52 projects made it to the final round. In a two-day discussion process, the onsite Grand Jury of 25 international multidisciplinary experts will look for the best digital projects tackling real-life problems in 8 different categories reflecting societal challenges.

On September 29, fresh and early, a public Digital Expert Forum on digital innovation, start-up potentials and sustainable future technologies with social impact takes place at the Innovation Centre Kosovo (ICK). Jury Experts will share their experiences and insights. ICK and EYA invite all young people eager to learn to make use of this unique opportunity.

"To build an international network and learn from people with different cultural and educational backgrounds is a key asset for future success. The members of the EYA Jury stand out due to their knowledge about current digital and social innovation and due to their contagious and inspiring engagement," says Peter A. Bruck, initiator and mastermind of the European Youth Award.

The #EYA17 Winners will present their outstanding digital initiatives at the EYA Festival ( Winners Event) taking place in Graz from November 29-December 2. This knowledge, networking and inspirational event is designed for digital social change-makers and all those who are interested in improving society with digital technologies.

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Quick-Info Digital Expert Forum:

Date: September 29, 9.30 AM-12.30 PM
Location: Innovation Centre Kosovo, Rexhep Mala street 28A, 10 000 Prishtina
Tickets: free of charge upon registration only https://eu-youthaward.org/expert-forum-registration/

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About the European Youth Award (EYA)

Called to life by prof. Peter A. Bruck, honorary chairman of the International Center for New Media in 2012, the European Youth Award (EYA) is a leading pan-European competition honouring excellence in the use of Internet and mobile applications for social empowerment. Conducted under the patronage of the Council of Europe and the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, EYA is an annual contest motivating young people under the age of 33 to produce socially-valuable digital projects addressing the goals defined by the Council of Europe, Europe 2020 and the UN SDGs.