

# Terms and Conditions The International Youth Initiative Program 2025-2026 (YIP18)

Please read this document and sign at the bottom to acknowledge that you understand and agree to the terms and conditions for your participation. Please print, sign, scan and email to <u>apply@yip.se</u> with subject 'Terms & Conditions - *Your-Name'* before the start of the Program.

## Term Dates

The 2025 – 2026 YIP year, runs from August 24th 2025 to June 18th 2026.

#### **Requirements**

You need to be 18 – 28 years old (18 on the day the program starts, up until 28 on the day the program ends).

You need to be able to understand, speak, read and write English at least at an intermediate level.

#### Costs & Finances

The Cost for attending is SEK 135'000.-

These Cost covers:

- > The Program, Courses, Course Materials, Evening Activities
- Meals (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner from Monday to Friday when on campus excl. holidays)
- Accommodation (typically twin-share bedrooms)
- Travel to and from the Internship
- Local transportation (in connection with the curriculum)

#### <u>Meals</u>

The Program Cost includes Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner from Monday through Friday whilst in Sweden.

Meals are freshly prepared, using organic, biodynamic, and local produce and ingredients. Participants are responsible for providing their weekend meals. The program will ensure basic cooking facilities where these can be prepared.

The cost for meals covers the course-weeks of the program and does not include personal travel, time spent off campus or holiday periods. There will be no refund given for meals skipped or missed.

#### **Accommodation**

The Program Cost includes the use of a single-sex twin shared bedroom in one of the Student Houses at Kulturcentrum Järna in Sweden. Further facilities like kitchens and bathrooms are shared with other participants.

The accommodation during the Internship is dependent on the individual design of each Internship.

#### Room deposit

A room deposit of SEK 1'000,- is to be paid in cash upon arrival in Sweden to the administration of the program. This deposit is not covered by the program costs and will be refunded at the end of YIP provided the room you occupied whilst in Sweden is left clean, undamaged and in good condition. The deposit may be paid in your own currency at the current rate of conversion which may support you at the end of the program when you receive the room deposit back before departure.

#### Social conduct

YIP does not support or condone physical violence in any form. Participants may not promote violence against or directly attack or threaten other people.



YIP encourages clear, concise, truthful, respectful and responsible communication. Participants are encouraged to express themselves with clarity, compassion, self-responsibility, respect, empathy, transparency and the common good in mind.

Participants are expected to be self-reliant regarding their physical, emotional and mental well-being. The organising team is committed to assist participants that might struggle in any of those levels, but only to the extent that they assist the participant to receive the professional help required. The organising team can only help participants to help themselves.

YIP and its staff will try to assist each participant in their individual learning and personal needs whenever possible, However the educational mission, group activities and course sessions, and the needs of the collective will be given precedence over personal needs.

### **Termination**

If a participant fails to follow the social conduct cited above or their behaviour otherwise interferes with the orderly and efficient operation of the program and campus life, measures may be taken, at the discretion of YIP, up to and including immediate termination from the program.

YIP may terminate a participant from the program and facilities at any time if the organising team deem their behaviour to be negatively impacting other participants, team members or the smooth running of the program or if they deem the participant to be a risk to themselves or others. YIP may, but is not obligated to, engage in conversation and dialogue regarding participant behaviour prior to terminating any participant from the program.

Ultimately the responsibility to assess the above lies with the Organising Team. Any terminated participant has the right of appeal to the board.

If attendance to morning or afternoon courses or community service tasks falls below 80%, this may be cause for dismissal.

The following actions will result in immediate termination from the program; theft of property; possession, manufacturing, sale, distribution, use or being under the influence of illegal drugs during the program; abuse of or attendance under the influence of alcohol during course hours; possession of a weapon; physical fights; inexcusable neglect of duty; unauthorised dissemination of confidential information.

#### Educational Freedom

YIP seeks intellectual variety among its contributors with respect to academic discipline and creative art, political and social thought, and philosophical or religious perspective. Maintaining a community environment of genuine educational freedom and respect for ideas and persons is essential to the purposes of the program and community.

Educational freedom applies to both research and teaching. Freedom in research is fundamental to the advancement of truth. Educational freedom is fundamental for protecting the rights of the contributor in teaching and of the participant to freedom in learning. These freedoms include that;

Contributors are entitled to freedom of speech in the classroom and community. Education at YIP is based to a large extent on dialog and discussions that may or may not remain within the confines of the classroom. The type of discussion and dialog that explore the programs ultimate purposes of societal entrepreneurship and service to humanity cannot be subjected to disciplinary or subject-centred restraint for fear of controversy or offence. Controversy, and even offence, is sometimes at the heart of both free academic inquiry and education. However,



contributors should make every effort to be civil and respectful of others' views at all times.

Contributors and organisers are citizens, members of a learned profession, and/or staff members of an educational institution. When they speak or write as citizens, they should be free from institutional censorship or discipline, but their special position in the community imposes special obligations. As educational staff members, they should remember that the public may judge their profession and their institution by their utterances. Contributors and organisers are entitled to participate as citizens in public forums without fear of discipline or restraint, so long as it is clear that they are not speaking for the YIP.

### Internship

A limited portion of the overall YIP budget is set aside for the travel expenses to and from the Internship. Any additional costs to cover room and board whilst on the Internship will need to be fundraised or covered by the Participant.

Some Participants might be limited as to which countries they can travel to, due to visa restrictions relating to their nationality.

The Participant is expected to join all the internship sessions in the YIP curriculum as preparation for the Internship. When an internship session was missed, it is the responsibility of the Participant to ensure that they brief themselves about the content and information that was missed. At least 80% of the internship sessions have to be attended in order to be able to go on Internship.

The Internship Host Organisation agrees to hosting the participants during the Internship. They are available for a pre-departure call prior to the Internship with the YIP Organising Team and participants and for a review call after the Internship with the YIP Organising Team. The Internship Host carries no further responsibility.

Participation in the Internship is conditional on signing a Liability Release Form before departure to the internship location.

The YIP Organising Team reserves the right to require the Participant's withdrawal from the Internship before departure or during the Internship time, if they judge that continuation would be irresponsible, either to the wellbeing of the Participant, others, the Internship or YIP, as well as due to extenuated circumstances beyond YIP's control (eg. COVID-19 restrictions etc.).

#### Passport

Participation is conditional on bringing a passport that is valid for at least the entire duration of the program.

At the start of the program, participants will be asked to provide a copy of their valid passport to be kept in the YIP office. This copy will be kept for the duration of the program as a safeguard for unforeseen emergencies where identification is required.

(In case you need a visa for any of the countries visited during YIP, please check the requirements of your travel document relating to that visa. In some cases, the document (passport) needs to be valid for at least 3-6 months after you are due to leave.)

Please note: The European ID card is not sufficient for traveling abroad during the Internship.

### Fees, Costs & Payment Timeline

The total YIP Program Cost is SEK 135.000.- for the full duration of the Program.



### Application Fee

The Application Fee for YIP is SEK 750.- It is not refundable. This fee must be sent with the application or be transferred to the YIP account before the application can be processed.

### Reservation Fee

A Reservation Fee of SEK 5.000.- is due within one week of acceptance to YIP. The Reservation Fee enables YIP to reserve your place in the program and will be credited towards your total Program Cost. If you withdraw your Participation from YIP three months or more before the program is due to begin, you will be refunded half of this fee (SEK 2.500.-). Withdrawal after this point makes the entire Reservation fee non-refundable.

Please note: if you apply within three months before the start of the program and decide to withdraw, your Reservation fee is non-refundable.

### Program Fee

The program fee is SEK 130'000,-

There are two payment options:

### Option 1: Discounted Early Bird

Pay SEK 127'000 in one payment before August 11th 2025 and receive a SEK 3000,- discount.

### Option 2: Split Payment

Pay SEK 78'000 before August 11th 2025 and the remaining SEK 52'000 before January 1st 2026.

### Course cancellation Policy

YIP reserves the right to withdraw the course if the number of participants is not sufficient, or if the financial/staffing resources needed for running the program are not sufficiently secured <u>one</u> month prior to the beginning of the first term. Fees will be refunded in full if YIP cancels the program. In case of cancellation, you will be notified latest <u>three</u> weeks before the program was due to start.

## **Refund**

If you leave the program it is at the discretion of YIP whether you will receive a refund. In case you decide to leave in the first term, you must hand in a written notice at least four weeks before the second term is due to start in order to be considered for a refund of the second term. If written notice is not given four weeks before the start of the second term you will be required to pay the full program costs.

#### Payments or Fund Transfers to the International Youth Initiative Program

Beneficiary:	The International Youth Initiative Program
Beneficiary's address:	Kulturcentrum Järna 13, 15391 Järna, Sweden
Bank:	Nordea Bank Sweden AB, Hamngatan 10, 10571 Stockholm, Sweden
Bank address:	SE-10571 Stockholm, Sweden
Account #:	47 86 47-1 SEK (Postgiro)
IBAN:	SE45 9500 0099 6026 0478 6471
BIC/SWIFT:	NDEASESS

## Please note: YIP cannot accept cheques.

Please state clearly that the payment is for YIP and that it includes the name of the Participant that the payment is for.



Please note: All fees or costs (outgoing and incoming, sending and receiving) that incur during the transfer of money to YIP are to be paid by the debtor (the person paying). This must usually be specified when making the payment. YIP cannot accept any payment as being in full unless the correct amount in SEK (Swedish Kronor) is credited to its account. Please contact your bank for information on transfer fees and costs.

## Copyright and Ownership

YIP accepts and emphasises the Participants' customary right to ownership of rights to commercial use of artistic or literary works (meaning music, photos/paintings/drawings, presentations, research papers, and the like) produced as a part of or related to YIP activities during the YIP Year, with the following exceptions:

- YIP may use the above-mentioned artistic or literary works (if made available to YIP in physical or digital form) for the purpose of promoting YIP free of charge. Participants must request in writing if specific works should be excluded from this use. Excluded from this use are also any documents which (if published) would be a breach of Swedish law or infringing upon the privacy, integrity or wellbeing of the Participant or others.
- For works produced by Participants specifically for YIP's use upon YIP's request (such as Public Lecture recordings, promotional videos and published products thereof), YIP retains the ownership and right to commercial use.

## What is expected of you as a part of the YIP Community?

The success of YIP relies on the mutual commitment of everyone involved. The YIP staff commits to high quality content for the program, creating a personalised positive learning experience, and securing effective use of financial resources.

As a participant your commitment includes attending the program in full, paying costs of tuition and acting responsibly in any of the roles you may take on during YIP.

As the name suggests, YIP is about initiative, not about sitting back and consuming what is prepared for you by the program. YIP is about each person working with, and taking on their initiative in a responsible way, not just for themselves, but also being conscious of others and the effects of their words and actions. Only active involvement from all parties will make YIP a healthy and productive learning experience. In order to gain a real sense of community and with the effect of keeping costs for participation low, everyone (Staff and Participants) is asked to contribute time and work to help the functioning of daily life at YIP.

#### Communication

Your acceptance of these terms includes your agreement to the terms and condition from Sendinblue.com. Sendinblue.com is the service provider through which YIP communicates its automated emails and newsletters. <u>https://www.sendinblue.com/legal/termsofuse/</u> In addition you authorise YIP to share your personal email address with the cohort of YIP18.

#### <u>Visas</u>

The agreement to take part in YIP is conditional upon the Participant obtaining the appropriate Visa or Permit to enable him/her/them to be in Sweden and any other country that the program might visit. Admission to the program does not guarantee that the Participant will be issued with the appropriate visa or permit. The Participant is responsible for complying with all conditions relating to the visa or permit. The Participant is responsible for providing a copy of the visa or permit to the YIP office at the beginning of the Program.

If the Participant fails to obtain or maintain a valid visa or permit or is required to leave Sweden for whatever reason, this agreement will lapse and YIP may offer the place of enrolment to another person. If this agreement lapses in this way, the refund policy that applies to choosing to leave YIP before the end of the course is in order, and the Participant may be entitled to a refund.

Please note: At the bottom of this agreement you find some information regarding visa issues.



### Healthcare

Whilst the program and its staff offer a variety of care structures and mentor arrangements to support Participants during their learning at YIP, it also recognises its limits in handling and supporting more substantial physical and/or mental health challenges and emergencies.

Only medical professionals can make a formal diagnosis of a physical or mental health condition and deliver the required treatment. Participants are therefore required to seek such professional advice and/or diagnosis in the case of physical and/or mental distress.

YIP is not legally obliged to offer medical care or counselling. There is no automatic right of a participant to access counselling for physical or psychological health problems within the program.

Participation is conditional on the Participant maintaining and/or managing any required professional medical or psychological support and treatment as well as its related costs to ensure the participants ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities, attend classes, remain respectful in relationship, and live in any shared residency during the program.

In the case of behaviour and events resulting from the failure to engage, maintain or sustain the needed professional and/or medical support ensuring the participants ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities, attend classes, remain respectful in relationship, and live in any shared residency during the program, or that puts the staff or organisation in danger of over-stretching the educational and/or professional mandate, YIP reserves the right to terminate participation in the program.

### Health- and Travel-Insurance

Participants are required to have appropriate health- and travel-insurance for the period of their studies at YIP. This includes the period of the Internship.

Participation is conditional upon the Participant obtaining and maintaining the appropriate health and travel insurance for the time studying at YIP. Admission to the program does not guarantee that the Participant will be covered for any costs related to health or travel. The Participant is responsible for complying with all conditions relating to the health and travel insurance. The Participant is responsible for providing a copy of the health and travel insurance policies to the YIP office at the beginning of the Program.



I have read this agreement and carefully reviewed every part. I understand the terms and conditions of this agreement and voluntarily agree with/to each term and condition.

Place	Date	
Name	Signature	

The following section (page 7) in cursive font is for information purpose only and subject to change, so please double check that you use the most up-to-date information from the respective authorities concerned.

## Participants Applying as citizens of the EU/EES countries

Accepted participants from all EU Countries, including Iceland, Norway, Switzerland and Liechtenstein do not need a visa to enter Sweden. You might need to register after 90 days. Please check your respective embassy in Sweden about the rules for staying in Sweden longer than 90 days.

#### Participants Applying from outside the EU/EES countries

Applicants from beyond the EU/EES, are likely in need of a visa to enter Sweden and attend the program. Usually this process needs to be started whilst in their home country and in good time.

If you need a visa, please make sure to apply in the category **'other studies'**. <u>https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals/Studying-and-researching-in-Sweden/</u> Other-studies.html

The YIP organising team can help you with this procedure by providing a letter supporting your stay etc. once you are an accepted Participant.

NOTE: Please ensure that you begin the visa process as soon as possible as it can take time. Please also pay close attention to the amount of money needed on your account and the type of health insurance/cover required for your visa. In the 2022-23 visa process unclarity in these areas caused serious delays for some which prevented them from attending the program. For example full non emergency dentist cover was required.