

## SI Academy for Young Professionals (SAYP) 2023

### **SAYP Western Balkans**

#### **Gothenburg university, Migration and Integration: Challenges and Good Practices for the Development of Inclusive Societies**

This module provides public servants, policymakers and civil society workers in the Western Balkans with a practical toolkit for addressing key pressing migration and integration challenges facing European societies: large-scale refugee flows, internally displaced peoples, plus labor and student migration. Through lectures, problem-based learning exercises, seminars and project work, the module focuses on case studies of good practices from across Europe. Activities allow for participants to regularly reflect on how these case studies can be considered in light of differing political, economic, and cultural contexts.

#### **Halmstad university, Collaborative Governance in a Digital Era**

The module “*Collaborative Governance in a Digital Era*”, prepares participants to excel in a public administration landscape highly influenced by international governance trends and technological development. It offers participants a chance to critically reflect upon those trends by accessing cutting edge research that challenges some of the normative assumptions driving these trends. The module engages with theory and practice related to cooperation, coordination and collaboration as a specific governance mode that differs from those that formed the modern public administration organization.

#### **Linköping university, Sustainable e-Government: Resilience, Innovation, and Democracy**

The programme, “*Sustainable e-Government: Resilience, Innovation, and Democracy*” (SeGRID), is a professional training programme for young public servants, policymakers, and civil society from the Western Balkans. The course provides skills and knowledge about democratic digital governance, rooted in theory and practice, to manage challenges of democracy, inclusion, equality, transparency, and resilience. SeGRID offers academic knowledge, practitioners' expertise, a platform for discussing challenges and solutions, key contacts, and resources for initiating concrete projects based on outputs of the programme.

#### **Lunds university, Perspectives on Multi-level governance, Decentralisation and Human Rights**

The thematic module, “*Perspectives on Multi-level Governance*”, *Decentralisation & Human Rights*, focuses on decentralisation within public administration and how human rights can be implemented on a regional and local level. The module combines theory with a high level of practice, including lectures, seminars/workshops with experts from Lund University and study visits to relevant organisations. This combination enables the participants to get a deeper

insight in public administration, as well as exchange experiences and establish new contacts and networks between all participating countries at Western Balkan.

## **SAYP BSR and Eastern Partnership**

### **Gothenburg university, Migration and Integration: Challenges and Good Practices for the Development of Inclusive Societies**

This module provides public servants, policymakers and civil society workers in Eastern Partnership / Baltic Sea Region with a practical toolkit for addressing key pressing migration and integration challenges facing European societies: large-scale refugee flows, internally displaced peoples, plus labor and student migration. Through lectures, problem-based learning exercises, seminars and project work, the module focuses on case studies of good practices from across Europe. Activities allow for participants to regularly reflect on how these case studies can be considered in light of differing political, economic, and cultural contexts. The module will be held in Tbilisi, Georgia.

### **Linköping university, Sustainable e-Government: Resilience, Innovation, and Democracy**

The SeGRID (Sustainable e-government. Resilience. Innovation. Democracy) programme aims to enhance the competences among young professionals to lead digital transformations of the public sector. It consists of three parts. Firstly, a digital module with online lectures and materials, workshops and collaborative work. During the on-line module the participants will join in small groups with an assigned tutor to discuss the key areas and to prepare a best practice of digital government in their country, that will eventually be discussed during the on-site week. The on-site module will include study visits to public organizations leading Sweden's digital transformation, lectures, role games targeting challenges in digitalisation and social activities. Post-module on-line, follow-up seminars will promote collaboration, project applications and academic writing ideas.

### **Lund university, Perspectives on Multi-level governance, Decentralisation and Human Rights**

The thematic module, Perspectives on Multi-level Governance, Decentralisation & Human Rights, focuses on decentralisation within public administration and how human rights can be implemented on a regional and local level. The module combines theory with a high level of practice, including lectures, seminars/workshops with experts from Lund University and study visits to relevant organisations. This combination enables the participants to get a deeper insight in public administration, as well as exchange experiences and establish new contacts and networks between all participating countries in the Baltic region/EU Eastern Partnership.

## **Malmö university, Sustainable Public Management**

The Malmö module is built around the idea of course participants' sharing of knowledge and know-how, and to individual learning as a result of working and discussing key issues of sustainable public management with peers from other countries. Experienced teachers and researchers will be leading the course and partake in the knowledge sharing.

The course is structured thematically, covering topics such as, for example, public management, governance, transparency, leadership, gender equality and public ethics. Each topic is introduced by a short lecture and then followed up by a group seminar and then a more practically oriented seminar at a Swedish governmental agency or civil society organisation. Through the course each student will participate in a cross-country group, in order to facilitate mutual learning processes and to present the project at the end of the course. Facilitating the group work is done by a series of lectures on social and public innovation.

## **Södertörn university, Cooperation Beyond Borders - Transnational Public Administration and Organizing (TPAO)**

Public administration and organizing that takes place at the level of state, regional or local public agencies and that extends or must reckon with jurisdiction and practices from other countries can be termed transnational. It is not limited to issues that transcend national borders, e.g. environment, communication, trade, but may include policy areas traditionally addressed nationally/locally, e.g. employment, education, healthcare.

This module invites young professionals already working transnationally or planning to introduce the transnational dimension into their daily work. The content and structure of the module is tailor-made to navigate the challenges and opportunities for policymaking and administration required by the nature of transnational issues and practice. It introduces participants to research and various practices of TPAO from the Baltic Sea region and the Eastern Partnership countries, and trains them in using this knowledge to examine their organizations in the transnational dimension of a relevant policy field, and initiating or developing their own transnational activities.