10th European Festival of Latin and Greek: "We the citizens"

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We are very happy to invite teachers, pupils and students from all primary and secondary schools as well as universities and third level institutes to the European Festival of Latin and Greek which takes place in Lyon next spring.

Through a very eclectic and original programme the goal of the Festival is to shine a light on the wealth of the languages and culture of antiquity and demonstrate their vitality in the modern world. Taking many different approaches it is aimed at a very diverse public in which pupils and students will play an important role.

This 10th Festival will revolve around the very topical theme of citizenship: we will hear from the citizens of Athens and Rome and explore – in unexpected ways – what has been handed down to "we the citizens" from the Greek and Latin worlds.

We hope that pupils and students – themselves future citizens – will enjoy participating in the different events which have been planned for them:

- Activities for school children
 - (Workshops, visits, shows)
- Exhibition: "Citizens would not exist without Greek or Latin"
 - (Prepared by school children: posters, videos, displays)
- Theatrical competition: "Antiquity and Citizenship"
 - (Extracts from plays or writings adapted for the stage, performed by pupils)
- Performance : "All on stage against Catilina"
 - (At a symbolic venue in the city of Lyon, 100 pupils will pronounce the famous speech by Cicero in the language they prefer. For more details, see the schools registration form.)

Participation in the Festival is free. This includes visits to museums, historical sites and monuments which are in the programme.

Only the travel and accommodation is not included for school groups. Full board is available from 24 to 25 March at the "Centre International de Séjour de Lyon". It costs €45 per pupil (dinner, accommodation, breakfast and a packed lunch; 4 beds per room): see the schools registration form regarding reservation.

As such educational projects are often decided at the beginning of the school year, do not hesitate to inform your principal and launch fund-raising activities!

As well as being an enriching and enjoyable experience your stay in Lyon will be an opportunity to discover a city which contains some exceptional places which are UNESCO World Heritage sites. It was also the capital of ancient Gauls and two Roman emperors were born there.

We are looking forward to welcoming many people for this time of sharing and exchange on citizenship and the languages and culture of antiquity so that the section of the Festival aimed at schools will be a real success.