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Dear international friends,

First things first, we would like to introduce ourselves. We are Veerle and Wouter, two volunteers of the international committee of Chiro Flanders, Belgium.

We are pleased to invite you to our national camp **Krinkel** in August 2017. Every 4 years Chiro Flanders organizes a big summer camp for its oldest members, leaders and adult counselors. Next Krinkel will take place from **August 24th** until **August 30th** at **Merksplas, Belgium**.

For Krinkel we invite you, our friends from all over the world to join us during this camp. That's the reason why we send you the official invitation for Krinkel 2017. Like every region in Flanders we have our own piece ground. All participants eat and sleep together in their own region. All our international guests will be part of the international campground. They will follow the same program; the only difference is the language!

During Krinkel participants will be part of a 'living group' of about 10 to 12 people. For every international guest, we will search a 'buddy', a Flemish participant who speaks one of the languages you also speak. (English, French or Spanish) These groups will be guided by 2 leaders, one Flemish leader and one international leader. We'd like to welcome some leaders and members of your organisation at our camp. So we ask you to find participants and a leader to join our international campground.

What is Krinkel?

Krinkel is a very active summer camp. Playing games is a central part of Chiro and of Krinkel. Therefore, active participation in every activity is expected from each participant. The camp is quite basic. Everybody will be sleeping in tents on their own mattress or field bed and sleeping bag.

Want to see what last Krinkel was like? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhWbZjfGb18>

Who can join Krinkel?

We've set up following criteria:

- They are active, enthusiastic participant,
- The participants are between the age of 16 and 27. The leader is between the age of 18 and 30. If older it doesn't mean they can't join. We just like be sure, they are aware that Krinkel is a very active camp and leaders in Belgium are between this age. Because there are also groups for adult counselors. Contact us and we'll try to arrange that they can join their living groups during Krinkel.
- They can express themselves in English, French or Spanish,
- They are excited to meet new people,
- They are an active member of your organisation.

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We encourage that the participants are a mix of people from different regions, gender, ... In that way, we have good diverse group of people.

How much does it cost?

The participation fee is 110 euro. Of course, there will be traveling costs as well. It is very important to know that at the moment that we are writing this invitation, we don't have a view on the subventions yet. We have applied for Youth in Action funds and we are waiting for the answer. We are also looking for other funding sources, but this is not clear yet. It will depend on these subventions if we will be able to refund travel costs or not. In the best case scenario Chiro Flanders will refund the travel costs of 1 participants per organization. (You are free to divide the amount of the received subventions between your participants.) In the worst case scenario, the participants will have to cover their own travel costs. Participants coming from outside Europe will get priority in travel refunding. There will be a list with maximum prices for your travel, the travel refund will not exceed these maximum prices. Visa costs will not be reimbursed. We are doing our best to keep the costs low and will keep you informed.

If it is more comfortable to come a day in advance or to stay the weekend afterwards, we will try to look for suitable accommodation. Especially if participants are coming from far away we will do our best to host you in a nice host family before or after Krinkel.

How many participants can you send?

You're welcome to send a lot of participants (about 20) from your local groups and one person who would like to be a leader during Krinkel. Just ask us if what is possible. We hope to welcome lots of internationals to our camp. So, we're flexible on the number of participants you want to send.

In the invitation mail you can find a participation list. You can fill in the names of you participants in this document and send this to us before April 15th 2017. At the end of April, we will have a good view on the free places and the funds. So, we'll keep you updated.

Inscriptions?

The national office of your youth is the first contact point for participants to inscribe. Send out the inscription form to them and collect them for your participants. Than you can send all the forms of the participants of your organisation to us, together with the participation list. In that way, you will know who is joining the camp as well.

The deadline for the inscription is **April 15th 2017**.

You can send it to international@krinkel.be

More info: www.krinkel.be/english

You can find the inscription form, the participation list, some promotion material and an info pack for participants in the attachment.

*We welcome you for this fantastic summer camp
and we are looking forward to meet you!*

Veerle & Wouter