

OPEN CALL

CONTEST FOR THE SELECTION OF YOUNG WRITERS FOR THE VALORISATION OF KUKËS TERRITORY THROUGH SHORT STORIES

The Urban Research Institute is pleased to announce the "Discover Kukës" contest for young writers, launched as part of the ECOROUTES project. The contest aims to encourage and inspire young writers to explore the beauty of Kukës and share their unique perspectives with the world. Whether you are passionate about history, culture, traditions, or landmarks this contest is an opportunity to showcase your writing skills and celebrate the diversity of Kukës.

The contest invites young writers between the ages of 18 and 33, that have a strong connection with Kukës, to participate in creating 10 short novels that highlight local features such as territory, cultural heritage, and traditions. The results of their exploration will be included in a unique book that will contain 20 novels, written by young writers from Albania and Kosovo. The book will be published and distributed all across the Programme area.

The "Discover Kukës" contest will run until May 31, 2023 and offers a chance for young writers to perfect their skills by participating in a creative project.

"ECOROUTES - Ecotourism routes in the Cross-Border area for the promotion of alternative tourism" is being implemented by the Kukës Municipality and Urban Research Institute in Albania, and by the Rahovec Municipality and Green Art Center-Prishtina in Kosovo.

The project is co-financed by the European Union and the National Funds of the participating countries, within the third Call for Project Proposals for the IPA Cross Border Cooperation Programme Albania – Kosovo 2026-2020. We encourage all young writers to seize this opportunity, grab their pens and paper, and join us in discovering the wonders of Kukës together!

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