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The Méríte Jeunesse Award is a youth award for people aged 14 to 24. There are three different levels depending on your age and are differentiated by the challenge required.

The Award is fully recognized by the International Award in London and the Youth services of Luxembourg (SNJ). Further information can be found on <http://merite.jeunesse.lu> and for time scales <https://www.dofe.info/go/timescales/>

The three Award Levels:



Bronze Award Level – The entry point to the Award.

Participants must be 14 years of age before they commence the Award this means the start of S4. However if participants turn 14 before January 2018 usually special arrangements can be made.

Participants will need to complete four parts that take between 3 to 6 months (note one must take 6 months): Physical Activity, Service, Skill and Adventurous Journey

To support the participants the group will have an Award Leader responsible for the training and preparation of the Adventurous Journey a long with ensuring all other parts of the Award are in order. Meetings are arranged by the Award Leader and participants will need to meet once a week.

Participants are expected to complete a practice adventurous journey before attempting the assessed adventurous journey. In both cases these will take the form of hikes in Luxembourg. They will take two days camping overnight.

Price: 100 Euros – this covers cost of the two organised expeditions and the hire of all necessary equipment and all training days. However it does not include the cost of food or drink during the expeditions.



Silver Award Level

Participants must be 15 years of age before they commence the Silver Award Level. This level is usually followed on after completing the Bronze Award Level. However direct entry is also possible however the time needed to complete each section of the Award will take longer.

Like Bronze participants will need to complete the same four parts that take between 6 to 9 months each for those continuing the Award from Bronze. With discussion with the Award Leader suitable aims will be made for those continuing the same activities to ensure necessary challenge.

Again two adventurous journeys need to be completed. However at this level they are 3 days and 2 nights long and usually take place in Luxembourg.

It is expected that the group will meet up to once a week to be arranged by the Award Leader.

Price: 150 Euros - this covers cost of the two organised expeditions and the hire of all necessary equipment and all training days. However it does not include the cost of food or drink during the expeditions.



Gold Award Level

Participants must be 16 years of age before commencing the Gold Award Level. This is the most challenging level and participants must be ready to make the sacrifices needed for this level. The minimum time required to complete this Award Level is 12 months and for direct entrants is 18 months.

In addition to the four sections required in the other two Awards a residential element must also be completed. This must take place in a surrounding that is not familiar to the participant and takes 1 week.

The requirements of the adventurous journey are also far more challenging than that at the previous Award Levels. Not only are they longer at 4 days and 3 nights and considerably further at a minimum of 8 hours per day but they must be done on rough terrain i.e. no campsites with the qualifying journey taking place outside of Luxembourg. For example for the 2016/17 Award we did the expedition in Nepal.

It is expected that the group will meet up to once a week to be arranged by the Award Leader.

Price: 100 Euros – this only covers the cost of the organised practice expedition within Luxembourg and this necessary training. Extra costs will be charged depending on where the qualifying expedition will take place.

The price of inscription for all levels also includes the cost charged by the central office for enrolment, a record book, official certificate and appropriate broach on completion.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact Mr Tomas Thorpe the Award Level Coordinator – thorpeto@teacher.eurasc.eu

We hope to have an information evening in September at school where the 2016/17 Gold Award group will talk about their experiences of the Award.

