Youth Partnership

Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of Youth

EU-Council of Europe reference group on youth work 2026-2028

Draft Agenda for the second meeting

5 November (9:00-13:00 Microsoft Teams meeting)

Join: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/363289456526233?p=rXdudPk6SEEQHYvfhS

Meeting ID: 363 289 456 526 233 - Passcode: dE2iV9dx

9:00-9:30 Opening and updates by partner institutions
Roundtable of introductions

Updates on the policy priorities, actions and projects related to youth work development
Council of Europe
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Youth Partnership

9:30 – 10:15 Following up on the convention project 1: European mapping study
Presentation of the main findings by Liz Green
Feedback and contributions on the contents, structure and messages

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30 – 11:30 Following up on the convention project 2: European Code of Ethics for Youth Work
Presentation of the draft
Feedback and contributions

11:30-11:40 Break

11:40 -12:40 Following up on the convention project 3: Voices for youth work initiative
Updates and state of play of the initiative
Presentation of the different phases of the communication action
Discussions on the member engagement

12:40 – Conclusion of the meeting

Background documents

Terms of reference for the Network of national correspondents on youth work
Concept note youth work, peace education and preparedness seminar
Draft European mapping study
Draft European code of ethics

Context

Following the successful 4th European Youth Work Convention, a report and a roadmap have been proposed to guide the actions of all youth work stakeholders at European and national levels to take youth work policy and practice forward. To contribute to the follow-up to the Convention's outcomes, the EU-Council of Europe Youth Partnership work plan 2026-2028 foresees a stronger focus on youth work and several policy, research and practice-oriented actions.

In this context, an EU-Council of Europe's reference group on youth work development will be established, building on the rich experience of the Steering Group on the 4th European Youth Work Convention, which was coordinated by the Youth Partnership.

This reference group will serve as a platform for dialogue and regular exchange of information between the European Union and the Council of Europe, and key stakeholders active in youth work development at European level. It is rooted in the shared commitments of the two institutions, as reflected in the European Youth Work Agenda and will build on the roadmap following the 4th Convention European Youth Work Convention. The Youth Partnership will work towards synergies and complementarities between the members on the follow-up of the Convention's conclusions and roadmap at European level. Members will share their commitments, initiatives and actions, as well as support communication and the promotion of the Convention's outcomes. The reference group will also contribute to the implementation of the Youth Partnership's youth work activities planned for 2026–2028.