

The European Knowledge Centre for Youth Policy

Key priorities for youth policies answers on
Participation



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1 Structures of participation at the local, regional or national level

1.1 Youth parliaments

1.1.1 Local youth parliaments

There are no local youth parliaments.

1.1.2 Regional youth parliaments

There are no regional youth parliaments

1.1.3 National youth parliament

There is no national youth parliament, but there are possibilities for young people to get an insight into the mechanisms of democracy through events like for instance the Luxembourgish youth convention. This event took place on the 13th May 2005 and enabled young people from 15 to 25 to participate to the debates of the Chambre des députés, the Luxembourgish parliament.

1.2 Youth councils

1.2.1 Local youth councils

* The "Conseil communal pour enfants de Lorentzweiler" 8 to 12 elected pupils meet once per month in order to develop projects. They meet the community council once per year Contact person: Fränk Flener * The "Conseil communal des enfants" of Differdange Contact person: Roberto Traversini * The "Kannergemengerot" of Heffingen Contact person: Gilles Schuler

1.2.2 Regional youth councils

No

1.2.3 National youth councils

There is no structure of participation at the national level.

1.3 Others structures of participation

N/A

2 Percentage of young people who are members of

2.1 Percentage of young people in global population n(100%)who are members



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of a political party

1,5 %

2.1.1 Percentage of young people in global population who are members of a political party (by age groups)

13-15	16-18	19-21	22-24	25-27	28-30
N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %

2.1.2 Percentage of young people in global population who are members of a political party (by gender)

female	male
0,9 %	2,0 %

2.1.3 Percentage of young people who are members of a political party in global population by rural-urban

rural	urban
N/A %	N/A %

2.2 Percentage of young people who are members of a trade union from the ages of 13 and 30 in global population

N/A %

2.2.1 Percentage of young people who are members of a trade union in global population by age groups

13-15	16-18	19-21	22-24	25-27	28-30
N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %

2.2.2 Percentage of young people in global population who are members of a trade union (by gender)

female	male
N/A %	N/A %

2.2.3 Percentage of young people who are members of a trade union in global population by rural-urban.

rural	urban
N/A %	N/A %

2.3 Percentage of young people who are members of a youth organisation from the ages of 13 and 30 in global population

24 %

2.3.1 Percentage of young people who are members of a youth organisation in global population by age group

13-15	16-18	19-21	22-24	25-27	28-30
N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %	N/A %

2.3.2 Percentage of young people who are members of a youth organisation in global population by gender

female	male
20,3 %	27,8 %

2.3.3 Percentage of young people who are members of a youth organisation in global population (by rural-urban)

rural	urban
N/A %	N/A %

2.3.4 What type of youth organisations are people involved in

N/A

3 Existing actions/support, of national or regional scope, to promote the participation of young people in local life and follow-up mechanisms

N/A

3.1 Legal actions to support the structures for participation of young people in local life

There is an act called ASFT which regulates the relations between the state and organisms acting in the social, familial and therapeutic fields and which falls within the context of state regulations for

representative participation of young people. It governs the conditions of state recognition and promotion of certain activities by organizations in the form of agreements with the government.

3.2 Financial actions to support the various structures for youth political and NGO participation

There is a governmental action plan on youth participation. One of its priorities is to devolute youth policy to municipal level. The #Municipal Youth Plan# tries to institutionalize cooperation between national and local levels. Government financial incentives to implement this plan are considerable. More generally in 2004 : 25 youth associations have received subsidies for a total of 97'550 EUR. Several associations have been supported in rent and charges for a total of 29'810 EUR. On the local level, 60 subsidies have been granted to youth organizations for a total of 35'000 EUR. A participation to secretary costs of some of the big youth movements for 51'556 EUR.

3.3 Other initiatives planned in the short term

N/A

4 Do some of the existing or planned actions aim at certain specific groups of young people?

No answers available

5 The vote

5.1 Obligatory?

yes ~~no~~

5.2 Age of the right to vote

From 18 years old

5.3 The right to vote

Conditions for the right to vote National elections: - have luxembourgish nationality - be aged 18 years - have civil and political rights - be domiciled in Luxembourg Municipal elections: - be aged 18 - have civil rights and not be deprived of voting right in State of residence or State of origin - for Luxembourgers: be domiciled in Luxembourg - for EU-member states citizens: be domiciled in Luxembourg and have lived there for 5 years - for other foreigners: be domiciled in Luxembourg and have lived there for 5 years and possess a residence permit for this period (+ legitimation papers and visa) European elections: - be Luxembourger or citizen of a EU-member state - be aged 18 - have civil rights et not be deprived of voting right in residence member state or member state of origin - for Luxembourgers: be domiciled in Luxembourg; Luxembourgers domiciled abroad are allowed to vote via mail - for citizens of other EU-member states: be domiciled in Luxembourg and have lived there for 5 years



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5.4 Age of eligibility to be a candidate

From 18 years old

5.5 Eligibility to be a candidate

Conditions for eligibility to be a candidate National elections : - be Luxembourger - have civil and political rights - be aged 18 years - be domiciled in Luxembourg Municipal elections : - be Luxembourger or citizen of a EU member state - have civil rights and not be deprived of eligibility right in Luxembourg or member state - be aged 18 years - have usual residence in the municipality since 6 months - for EU foreigners : have lived in Luxembourg for 5 years European elections : - be Luxembourger or EU member state citizen - have civil rights and not be deprived of political rights in Luxembourg or member state of origin - be aged 18 years - for Luxembourgers : be domiciled in Luxembourg - for EU foreigners : be domiciled in Luxembourg and have lived there for 5 years

6 The elections

6.1 Number of young people voting between the ages of 18 (or the age of the right to vote) and 30

~ 40'000 *persons*

6.2 Number of young people between the ages of 18 (or the age of the right to vote) and 30 registered on the lists of voters

~ 40'000 *persons*

6.3 Indicators of participation related to European polls

6.3.1 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered from the ages of 13 to 30.

N/A %

6.3.2 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by age groups

18-21	22-25	26-30
N/A %	N/A %	N/A %

6.3.3 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by gender



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female	male
N/A %	N/A %

6.3.4 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by rural-urban

rural	urban
N/A %	N/A %

6.3.5 In European elections, the percentage of young people#s participation in relation to the total population to vote

N/A %

6.4 National indicators of participation in the polls

6.4.1 National elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered

100 %

6.4.2 National elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by age groups

18-21	22-25	26-30
100 %	100 %	100 %

6.4.3 National elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by gender

female	male
100 %	100 %

6.4.4 National elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by rural-urban

rural	urban
100 %	100 %

6.4.5 National elections, young people as a percentage of participation in the



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total population to vote

14,4 %

6.5 Regional and local indicators of participation in the polls

6.5.1 Regional and local elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered

N/A %

6.5.2 Regional and local elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by age groups

18-21	22-25	26-30
N/A %	N/A %	N/A %

6.5.3 Regional and local elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by gender

female	male
N/A %	N/A %

6.5.4 Regional and local elections, percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote registered, by rural-urban

rural	urban
N/A %	N/A %

6.5.5 In regional and local elections the percentage of young people participation in relation to the total population to vote

N/A %

6.6 Number of young people (under the age of 30) who are member of the national parliament.

0 *persons*

6.6.1 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the national level, by gender

female	male
0 <i>persons</i>	0 <i>persons</i>

6.7 Enter the number of young people (under the age of 30) who are member of regional parliaments or are hold the position of a regional minister.

N/A *persons*

6.7.1 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the regional, level by gender

female	male
N/A <i>persons</i>	N/A <i>persons</i>

6.8 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the local level

N/A *persons*

6.8.1 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the local level, by gender

female	male
N/A <i>persons</i>	N/A <i>persons</i>

7 Existing actions/support, of national or regional scope, to promote the participation in the system of representative democracy and follow-up mechanisms

An information campaign has been carried out in 2004.

7.1 Actions that have been undertaken this year

An action initiated by the 'Conférence Générale de la Jeunesse Luxembourgeoise' and aiming at interesting young people in politics and political subjects has been carried out in 2004. This action, called 'Jonk wielt' (Youth votes) was implemented through meetings and discussions in secondary schools throughout the country.

7.2 Other initiatives planned in the short term

N/A

8 Do some of the existing or planned actions aim at specific groups of young people?



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~~yes no~~

Specific target groups of young people aimed at by existing or planned actions

N/A

9 Learning to participate

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