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# **1 Structures of participation at the local regional or national level**

*This section is about organised/permanent structures of youth participation in institutions of democracy.*

## **1.1 Youth parliaments**

*1.1.1 Local youth parliaments (names + contact person + role + number of people this represents)*

There are no local youth Parliaments

*1.1.2 Regional youth parliaments (names + contact person + role + number of people this represents)*

There are no regional youth Parliaments

*1.1.3 National youth parliaments (names + contact person + role + number of people this represents)*

There are no national youth Parliaments

## **1.2 Youth councils**

*There are different forms of youth councils or youth committees. Some of them are simply called “youth council”; others are called “student councils” or “pupil councils”. You may find other councils representing particular groups of young people.*

### **1.2.1 Local youth councils**

There are no local youth Councils

### **1.2.2 Regional youth councils**

Regional Advisory Council, supervising the activities by the regional services of the Portuguese Youth Institute.

### **1.2.3 National youth councils**

Concelho Nacional da Juventude (National Youth Council) <http://www.cnj.pt/> and Federação Nacional de Associações Juvenis (National Federation of Youth Associations) <http://www.fnaj.com/>

## **2 Percentage of young people in global population who are members of institutions allowing for participation in representative democracy**

### **2.1 Percentage of young people in global population from 13 to 30 who are members of a political party**

No data available

#### *2.1.1 Percentage of young people in global population who are members of a political party by gender*

No data available

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

No data available

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

The percentage of young people in global population who are members of a youth organization is estimated in 5.26%.

#### *2.3.1 Identify if this category (percentage of young people who members of a youth organisation) is made up from a youth organisation with varied general activities, a sports organisation, a cultural organisation or others*

This category is made up from youth organizations generally, from Youth Informal Groups (Grupos Informais de Jovens) mainly from cultural organizations (ex. music bands, theatre companies). Then we have College student organizations (private and public) and Youth

Associations (Associações Juvenis) of all kind of sports ( ex. Swimming, tennis, football) and recreation (ex. nautical activities).

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

The percentage of young people in global population who are members of a youth organization by gender is estimate in 2.70% masculine and 2.56% feminine.

### *2.3.3 Identify if this category (percentage young people who members of a youth organisation) is made up from a youth organisation with varied general activities, a sports organisation, a cultural organisation or others*

This category is made up from youth organizations with varied activities such as Youth Associations (sports and Cultural activities), Youth Informal Groups and Private and Public College Student Associations.

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

The existing actions of national or regional scope to support the participation of young people in local life are the Conselhos Consultivos Regionais (CCR).

### **3.1 Local actions to support the structures for participation for young people in local life**

The local actions to support the structures for participation of young people in local life are Lei do Associativismo (Associativism law); Concelho Consultivo da Juventude (Consultive Youth Council) ; Concelho Nacional da Juventude (National Youth Council) and special programmes on Health Volunteering and Youth Volunteering in the Forests.

### **3.2 Financial actions to support the various structures for youth political and NGO participation – Among these actions, actions that have been undertaken this year**

No data available

**3.3 What other initiatives are planned in the short term to support youth participation on the local level?**

No data available

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

**4 The vote**

**4.1 Is voting obligatory?**

NO

**4.2 Age of the right to vote**

The age of right to vote is from 18 years old

**4.3 Please describe, who is entitled to vote in local, regional and national elections.**

The people entitled to vote in elections are the Portuguese citizens from 18 years old [Constituição da República Portuguesa, article 49 n<sup>o</sup>1]

**4.4 Age of eligibility to be a candidate**

The age of eligibility to be a candidate is 18 years; the only exception concerns the case of Presidential elections because the candidates must be at least 35 years old (Constituição da República Portuguesa art. 122).

**4.5 Describe as exact as possible, who is entitled to be a candidate in local, regional or national elections.**

The people entitled to vote in elections are the Portuguese citizens from 18 years old Constituição da República Portuguesa, article 49 n<sup>o</sup>1.

**5 The elections**

***In this section statistics about how young people vote in the different types of elections.*** Na data available

**5.1 Number of young people that have voted recently between the ages of 18 (or the age of right to vote) and 30**

No data available

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

No data available

**5.3 Indicators of participation related to European polls**

*These indicators are related to the election of the European parliament. You want to proceed with section 6.4 if the country of your review is not a member state of the European Union.*

No data available

*5.3.1 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 and 30.*

No data available

*5.3.2 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered, by age groups*

No data available

*5.3.3 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered, by gender*

No data available

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

No data available

*5.3.5 In European elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the total population to vote*

No data available

#### **5.4 National indicators of participation in the polls**

*5.4.1 In national elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered*

No data available

*5.4.2 In national elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered, by age groups*

*No data available*

*5.4.3 In national elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered, by gender*

No data available

*5.4.4 In national elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered, by rural-urban*

No data available

*5.4.5 In national elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the total population to vote*

*No data available*

#### **5.5 Regional and local indicators of participation in the polls**

*5.5.1 In regional and local elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the number of young people in age to vote who are registered*

No data available

*5.5.2 In regional and local elections, the percentage of young voters in relation to the total population to vote*

No data available

**5.6 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the national level: overall and by gender**

No data Available

**5.7 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the regional level: overall and by gender**

No data available

**5.8 Number of young people elected (under the age of 30) at the local level: overall and by gender**

No data available

**6 List actions, programmes, and financial or social support that promote the participation in the system of representative democracy, in particular to young people under the age of 30.**

The Youth Eco-Parliament (Eco-Parlamento Jovem) is a project of environmental education for young people with representation in 14 countries in which the young people participate and make some efforts to turn the mentality and to change the daily habits of regular people in order to provide a sustainable development for all. The Sociedade Ponto Verde (Green Point Society) in Portugal is ahead of this project with Portuguese Youth Institute in a partnership.

The programme Parlamento Jovem (Youth Parliament) is in partnership with the Portuguese Youth Institute, the Portuguese Parliament and the Ministry of Education. They call all schools (basic and high school) and incentive the students to learn how to participate in civic and political activities in order to change or to improve the present and future of the issues that affect negatively the Portuguese youngsters.

This programme has also the ability to make sure that political members take note and some actions to try to resolve these issues. This programme is divided and developed in three phases: the first is in school, the second one in the district sessions and the third/final at the National Parliament.

**6.1 Are there any instruments used to monitor the results of this support.**

See previous answer - Parlamento Jovem (Youth Parliament)

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

No data available

**7 Learning to participate**

*The following section is about the activities that promote active participation to young people in formal and non-formal education.*

**7.1 Existing actions within the systems of formal education aiming at developing and deepening learning to participate**

No data available

*7.1.1 What are the mechanisms of citizens' education in formal education?*

In primary level there is a compulsory discipline on citizenship and civics area.

*7.1.2 Please list guidelines, teacher training programmes, etc. that are related to citizens' education but are not directly affecting the formal curriculum.*

No data available

**7.2 In which fields, other than formal education, do actions and/or support - of national or regional scope- exist, which aim at promoting learning to participate amongst young people? What is the nature of these actions/this support?**

No data available

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

No data available

