

Youth Partnership

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



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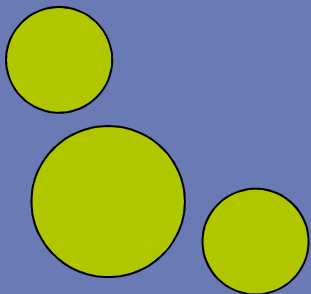
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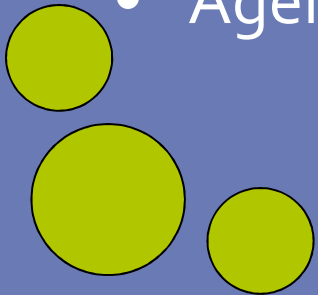
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**Highlights of recent
European developments
in the field of recognition
of youth work and
non-formal learning /
education**



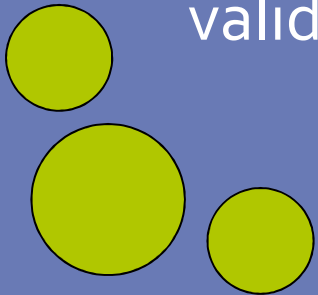
Political framework – Council of Europe

- First reference to recognition: April 1998 (Ministerial conference)
- Symposium on non formal learning (2000)
- Final Declaration of the Youth Ministers meeting (2002)
- Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers on promotion and recognition of NFE/L (2003)
- European Portfolio for youth workers and youth leaders (2006)
- Key priority 2006-2008
- Agenda 2020



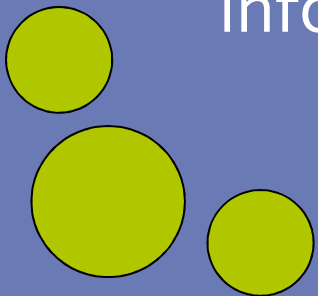
Political framework – European Union

- White Paper 'A New Impetus for European Youth' (2001)
- European Youth Pact (Lisbon Strategy, 2005)
- Council Resolution on the recognition of the value of non formal and informal learning (2006)
- 8 Key Competences for lifelong learning
- EU Strategy for Youth-Investing and Empowering (2009)
- Council Resolution on Youth Work (2010)
- EU 2020 Strategy
- Council Recommendation on the promotion and validation of non formal and informal learning (2012)



EU-CoE Youth Partnership Priorities 2010-2013

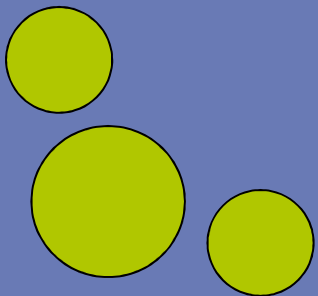
- Promoting knowledge-based youth policy by developing and providing efficient tools
- **Supporting youth work and building capacity of youth workers at European level**
- Paying special attention to the geographical scope of its initiatives (SEE, Eastern Europe & Caucasus, EuroMed, Euro-Africa)
- Gathering, disseminating and providing information and publications on youth



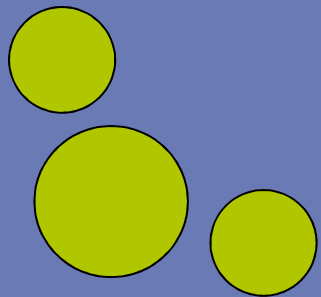
Programmes and initiatives

Other related actions and processes

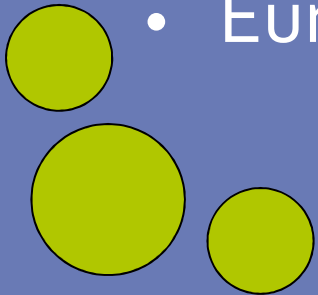
- Youth in Action Programme of the EU (2007-2013)
- Youthpass in YiA since 2007
- The renewed European Training Strategy of the YiA programme (2011-2013)
- Quality Assurance and quality charter (European Youth Forum)
- European Youth Work Convention 2010 in Ghent
- Expert Group on Recognition in the youth field



Recent steps



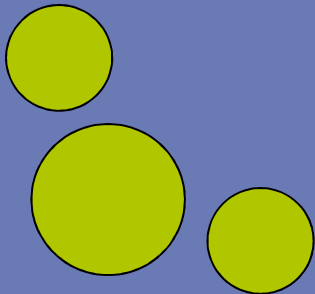
- Bridges to Work (Oct 2011)
- Coyote on recognition (Spring 2012)
- Symposium on recognition of youth work and non formal learning (Nov 2011) → implementation of the Pathways 2.0
- Youthpass for youth workers (2011-2013)
- Set of generic competences for trainers at European level (2011 – 2013)
- Europass – further developments



Pathways 2.0 towards recognition of non-formal learning/education and of youth work

Working Paper the EU-CoE youth partnership, SALTO Training and Cooperation Resource Centre, European Youth Forum and Youth Directorates in EC and CoE (2011)

- **Purpose:**
 - Update and re-focus the strategy as outlined in the first paper (2004)
 - Give the strategy for a better recognition of non-formal learning in youth activities and of youth work a new impetus
- **Content:**
 - Characteristics and impact of non-formal learning
 - Stocktaking – the state of affairs at European and national level
 - 10 elements for a renewed strategy

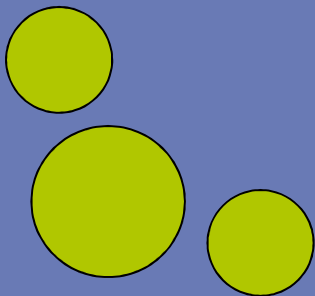
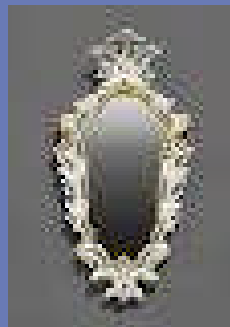
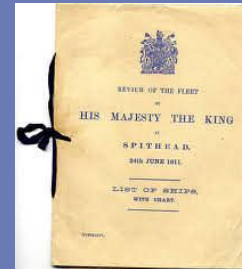


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- **Four dimensions of recognition:**

- **Political recognition**
- **Formal recognition**
- **Social recognition**
- **Individual recognition**

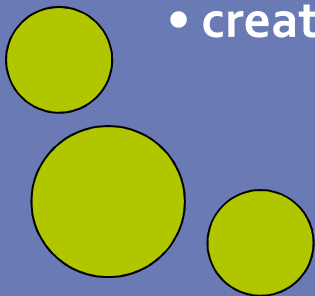


SYMPOSIUM

'RECOGNITION OF YOUTH WORK & NON-FORMAL LEARNING/EDUCATION IN THE YOUTH FIELD'

STATEMENT & PLAN OF ACTION by participants

- Challenges:
 - making the concept of 'youth work & non-formal learning/education better understood
 - keeping all dimensions of recognition in balance
 - risking formalisation of non-formal learning/education
 - assuring quality in youth work and in non-formal learning/education
 - maintaining and cultivating diversity
 - building knowledge
 - being dependent from different other sectors
 - creating partnerships

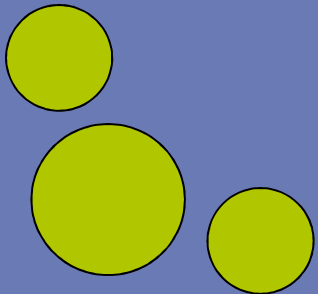


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- 7 Recommendations for action in
 - policies at European, national, regional and local level
 - in youth work & non-formal education/learning
 - in lifelong and lifewide learning
 - in partnership with other actors
 - in research and the knowledge area



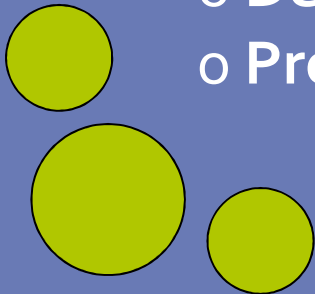
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- **Actions:**

- Sustaining a political process
- Launching a promotional campaign
- Fostering cooperation and partnerships
- Gathering, creating and providing knowledge
- Assuring quality
- Developing and using tools for recognition
- Providing resources and support



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