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THE GOAL

The overall goal of the partnership is to foster synergies between the priorities and programmes of the two partner institutions in the youth field. The partnership offers a platform for their co-operation and has a function of a “think tank” and a laboratory: gathering and producing knowledge, translating it for an effective use in youth policy and practice, developing and testing new approaches, considering traditional themes and innovative trends.

It contributes to implementing the aims of the EU Youth Strategy: engage, connect, empower and the priorities of the Council of Europe Youth Strategy 2030: revitalising pluralistic democracy, young people’s access to rights, living together in peaceful and inclusive societies and youth work.



GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

The geographical coverage of the youth partnership encompasses the **50 signatory states of the European Cultural Convention** (including all EU and other Council of Europe members), as well as neighbouring countries in the South-Mediterranean region. Some activities have an explicit focus on specific regions: Eastern Europe and Caucasus (EECA), South-East Europe (SEE, especially Western Balkans) or South-Mediterranean.

Some highlights of our work:

- **Youth knowledge fora, regional and European**, aimed to discuss the state and role of youth research in Europe, reflect on what knowledge is needed for 21st century policy-making and youth work development and to explore how to enhance the co-operation between research, policy and practice.
- A symposium and a study on the **political participation of young people**.
- A symposium, a study and a knowledge book on the **social inclusion of young people and digitalisation**.
- Supporting capacity development of **youth policy** actors, mutual learning and co-operation in the Shaping Youth Policy project, through running the MOOC on youth policy, the expert work on youth policy evaluation and the Youth Policy Manual revision.
- Contribution to **strengthening youth work** and to organising the European Youth Work Conventions – for example by sharing our findings on the history of youth work,

education and training of youth workers, supporting regional development of youth work and running a MOOC on youth work.

- ➔ Encouraging reflection and critical discussion on youth issues through **Perspectives on Youth** online.
- ➔ Co-ordinating and supporting the work of the **European Platform on Learning Mobility (EPLM)** and its Steering Group, by further promoting the use of quality tools, thematic analysis of learning mobility and developing indicators of its impact.
- ➔ **Producing and disseminating knowledge** on young people, youth policy and youth work through:
 - ◆ Youth Knowledge books and the results of our studies
 - ◆ Thematic training kits (T-kits)
 - ◆ *Coyote* magazine online
 - ◆ Topical handbooks, reviews and insights
 - ◆ Essentials of youth work, policy and research

In its work, the youth partnership relies on networks of experts and researchers, including the **Pool of European Youth Researchers (PEYR)** and the correspondents of the **European Knowledge Centre for Youth Policy (EKCYR)**.

NETWORKS



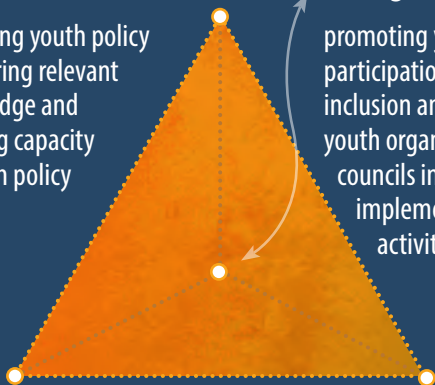
THE FOCUS

Youth **POLICY:**

informing youth policy by offering relevant knowledge and building capacity of youth policy actors.

Young **PEOPLE:**

promoting young people's participation and social inclusion and involving youth organisations/ councils in planning and implementing our activities.



Youth **RESEARCH:**

developing knowledge on youth to better understand current and upcoming challenges and trends in the lives of young people, and their implications for youth policy and youth work.

Youth **WORK:**

promoting and strengthening youth work and recognition of its contribution to, *inter alia*, youth participation and the social inclusion of young people.

To learn more about our work,

visit the youth partnership's website

<https://pjp-eu.coe.int/en/web/youth-partnership>



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