



# Principles and Values of Youth Work

SEE Youth Work Peer Seminar

Vision  
Creativity

Willing to share power  
and decision making

Participatory

**VOLUNTARY**

Accessible to all

Concerned with emancipation  
and autonomy

**SELF-REFLECTIVE  
AND CRITICAL**

Concerned about quality

Experimental

**RELATIONAL**

Concerned with solidarity  
between people

**YOUTH-CENTRIC**

Intentional

Respectful of  
youth as equals

Focused on real life  
concerns of youth

Knowledgeable  
about youth issues

**VALUE DRIVEN**

For ethical  
development

For social  
development

For personal  
development

Aware of the intercultural  
between people



Who are young people today?

What is youth work today?

Who are youth workers today?



Recognition of youth work?

Values and principles?

Quality of youth work?

*"The world is passing through troublous times. The young people of today think of nothing but themselves. They have no reverence for parents or old age. They are impatient of all restraint. They talk as if they knew everything, and what passes for wisdom with us is foolishness with them. As for the girls, they are forward, immodest and unladylike in speech, behavior and dress."*

*"I see no hope for the future of our people if they are dependent on frivolous youth of today, for certainly all youth are reckless beyond words... When I was young, we were taught to be discreet and respectful of elders, but the present youth are exceedingly wise [disrespectful] and impatient of restraint".*

## Young people today?

*"The children now love luxury; they have bad manners, contempt for authority; they show disrespect for elders and love chatter in place of exercise. Children are now tyrants, not the servants of their households. They no longer rise when elders enter the room. They contradict their parents, chatter before company, gobble up dainties at the table, cross their legs, and tyrannize their teachers."*





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Creativity

We as youth workers?

YOUTH WORKER PORTRAIT

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# Youth workers today?

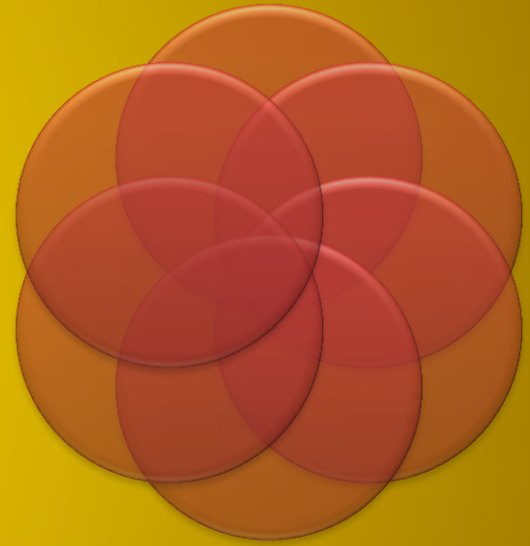


what influences them

education

experiences

topics

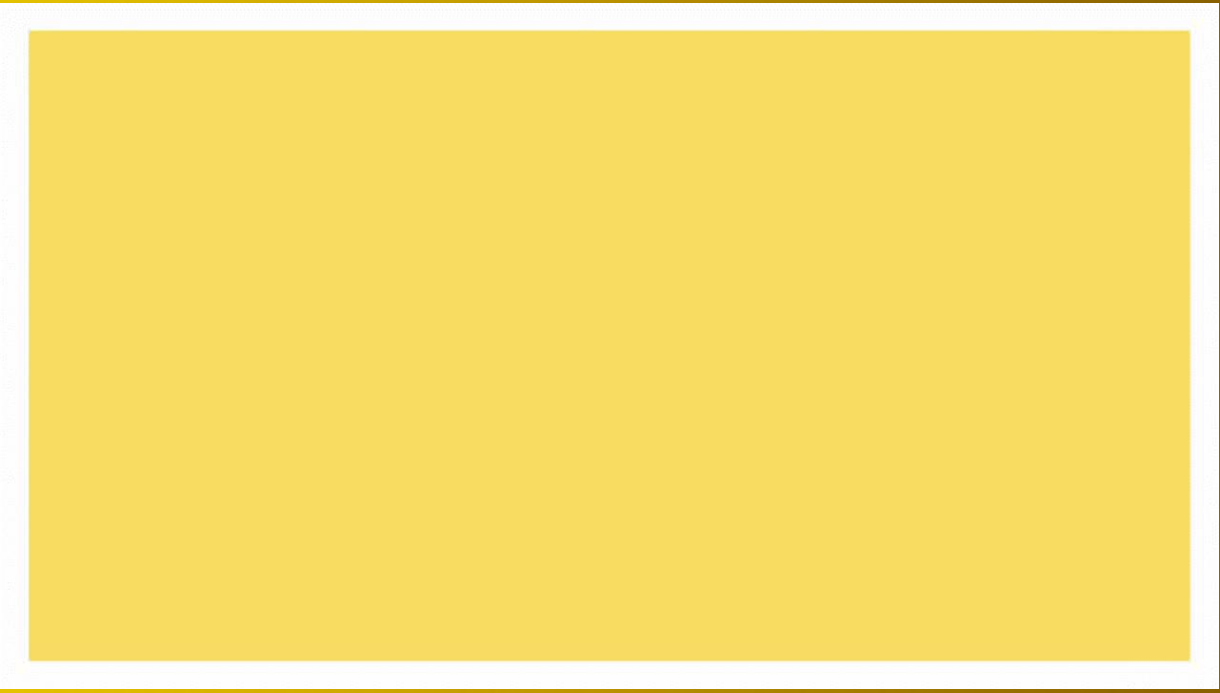


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# Youth work today?







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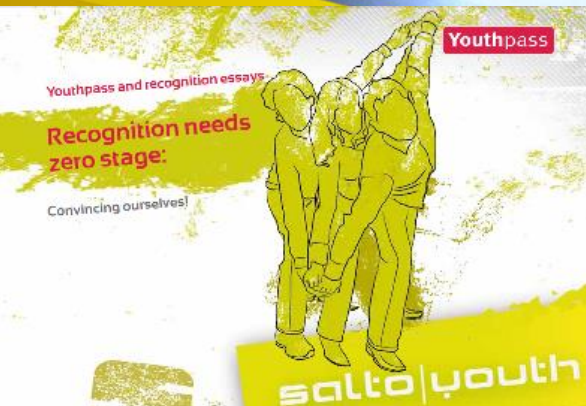
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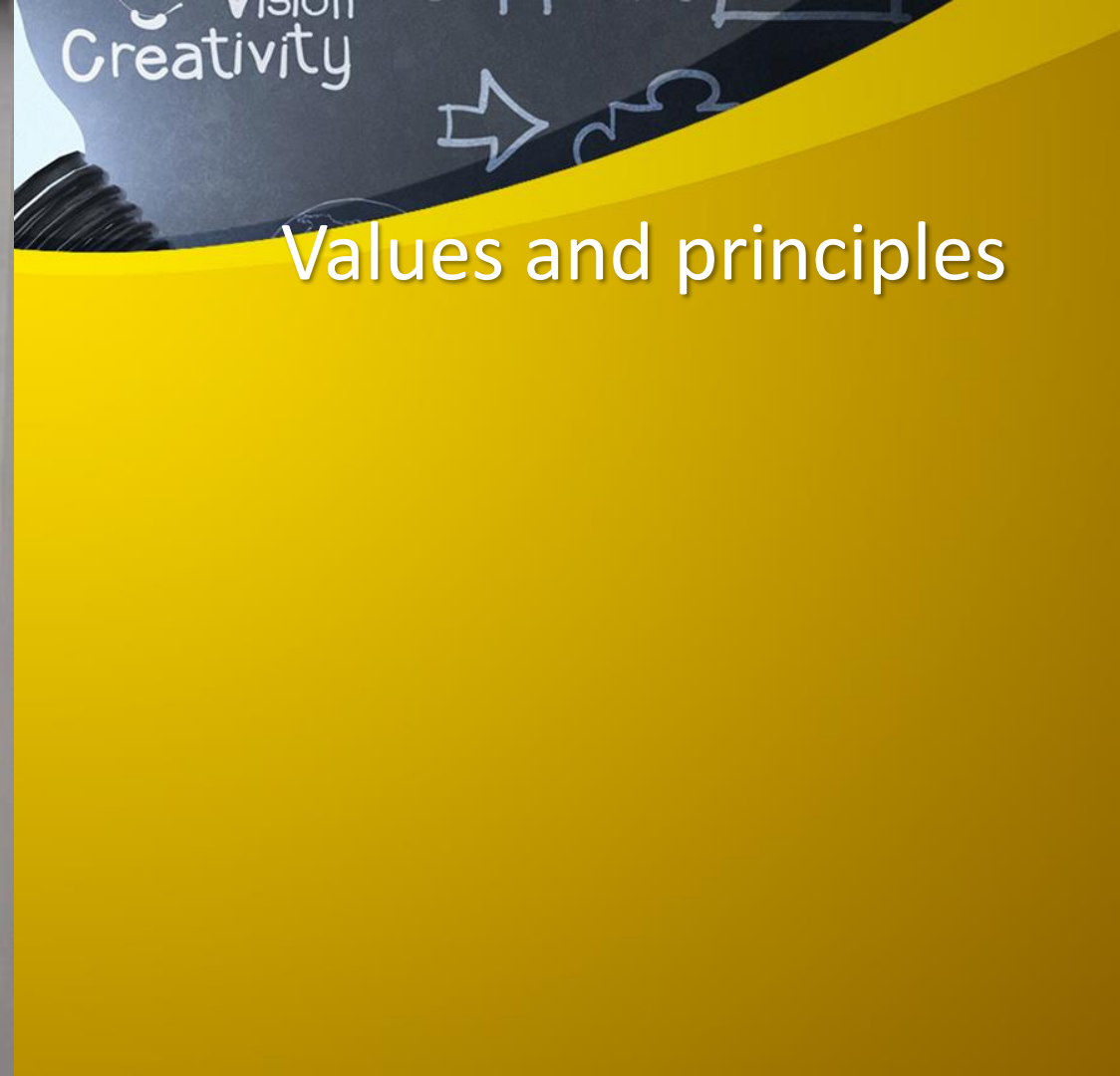
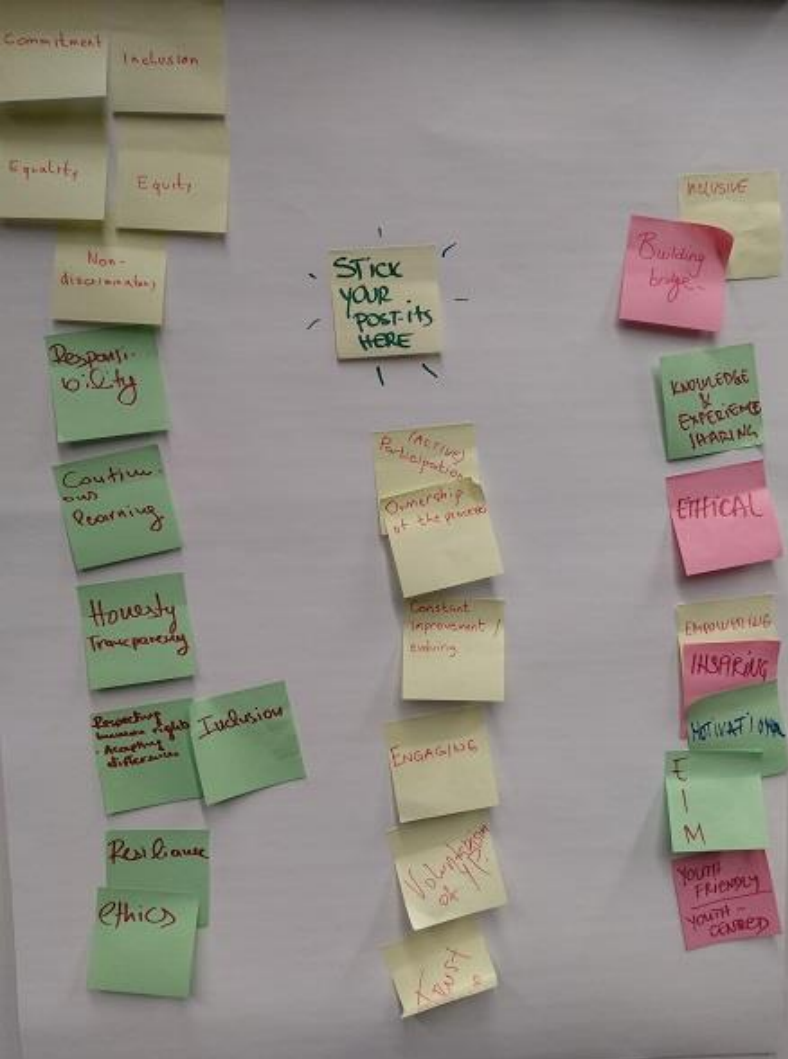
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YOUTH  
WORKER  
OCCUPATIONAL  
STANDARD

# Recognition of youth work?



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## Values and principles

What drives us as youth workers?

How that shapes our work?

[https://padlet.com/ajsa\\_hadzibegovic/values](https://padlet.com/ajsa_hadzibegovic/values)

How it reflects on Young People?



you is not there to exclude  
it is barely / rarely about 'us'  
and it will harm you not



Back to the beginning

*Are we working  
with those  
young people  
that actually  
need us the  
most?*

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Thank you!

