

Youth Partnership

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SYMPOSIUM

"THE FUTURE OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S POLITICAL PARTICIPATION: QUESTIONS, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES"

Tuesday 17 September

Arrival of participants

17:00 Registration at the European Youth Centre

19:00 Dinner at the European Youth Centre

Wednesday 18 September

WHY POLITICAL PARTICIPATION?

09:00 **Welcome and opening** of the Symposium

Ms Antje Rothmund, Head of the Youth Department, Council of Europe, Ms Jasna Maric Krajacic, European Commission and Robin Balzereit Youth Delegate to the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Council of Europe

09:30 **Young People and Change** – *Marcus Faustini (Youth Agency, Brazil)*

10:15 **Taking part in what? What is Political Participation?** – *Dan Moxon (People, Dialogue and Change, UK)*

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 Presentation of Symposium's programme and objectives

11:45 **Our visions for future** – Dialogue Groups among participants

13:00 Lunch

HOW DO YOUNG PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN POLITICS TODAY?

14:30 **Exploring various forms of young people's political participation** – Panel Dialogue

Christopher Gluck (facilitator), Tatijana Djuranovic (Radio and Television Cetinje, Montenegro), Salaado Qasim (Green youth, Finland), Stavri George (Euro-Mediterranean Institute of Geopolitics, Cyprus) and Daniel Poli (Internationale Jugendarbeit der Bundesrepublik Deutschland e.V - IJAB, Germany)

15:30 **Mapping our initiatives, movements and projects** – Group Activity

16:00 Coffee Break

16:30 **How do Young People Participate in Politics Today?** -
Parallel Workshops and Conversations implemented by participants (A)

18:00 Concluding the day

18:30 Reception and dinner

20:30 Informal evening programme (European Youth Centre)

Thursday 19 September

SUPPORTING Political Participation

09:00 Welcome to Day 2

09:20 **Supporting mechanisms enabling young people's political participation** – Panel Dialogue
Anna Rurka (Conference of INGOs), Alice Stevens (Amnesty International), Manel Sanchez (EYCA) and Kimberly O'Haver (Open Society Foundations)

10:20 **Building on the direction of our visions** – Dialogue Groups among participants

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 **Supporting Mechanisms enabling young people's political participation** –
Parallel workshops implemented by participants (B)

13:00 Lunch

TRENDS AND DILEMMAS OF YOUTH POLITICAL PARTICIPATION

14:30 **Trends and Dilemmas of Youth Political Participation**
Parallel Workshops and Conversations implemented by participants (C)

16:00 Coffee Break

16:30 **Trends and Dilemmas of Youth Political Participation**
Parallel conversations implemented by participants (D)

17:45 **Harvesting ideas and inspiration for taking action** – Dialogue groups among participants

18:15 Concluding the day

19:00 Dinner

20:30 Free evening in Strasbourg

Friday 20 September

MAKING THE FUTURE TODAY

09:00 Welcome to Day 3

09:15 **From Vision to Impact** - *Marcus Faustini and Renata Pepl (Youth Agency)*

10:00 **Preparing and Sharing the Future**

12:00 Closing of the Symposium
H.E. Ms Meglena Kuneva, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the Council of Europe, Matjaž Gruden, Director for Democratic Participation, Council of Europe, Miroslava Dujicova, Steering Committee on Youth and Andrea Ugrinoska, Advisory Council on Youth

13:00 Lunch at the European Youth Centre

List of workshops and conversations

Day	Name of the workshop/session/ conversation	Format	Day	Name of the workshop/session/ conversation	Format
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 18 September</p> <p style="text-align: center;">16:30- 18:00</p> <p>How do Young People Participate in Politics Today? – Parallel A</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Workshops and Conversations</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">My voice matters <i>Goda Katkute, "Zinau, ka renku" (Lithuania)</i></p>	Workshop	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 19 September</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11:30 - 13:00</p> <p>Supporting Mechanisms enabling young people's political participation – Parallel B</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Workshops</p>	<p>Conflict Management in Youth-Led Political Organizations – <i>Alba Biosca Alonso, Youth Ambassador for the European Youth Information and Counselling Agency (ERYICA) (Spain)</i></p>	Workshop
	<p>Youth work and political participation of young people: what is the role of youth workers? – <i>Veronique Bertholle, Youth Express Network (France)</i></p>	Workshop		<p>The good and the bad of best practices – sharing and improvement – <i>Katarzyna Sokolowska, Conference of INGOs (Poland)</i></p>	Workshop
	<p>The struggle for nature - climate strikes of young people in Italy – <i>Lorenzo Gianni, FridaysforFuture (Italy)</i></p>	Workshop		<p>Security Strategies and Methodologies for Human Rights Defenders and Activists – <i>Alice Stevens, Amnesty International (Mexico)</i></p>	Workshop
	<p>Experiencing Co-management – <i>Neringa Tumenaite, Advisory Council on Youth (Lithuania)</i></p>	Workshop		<p>Restorative Circles and youth: Strengthening democracy through restorative practice – <i>Georgios Papadopoulos (Greece)</i></p>	Workshop
	<p>New Youth Dialogue process – how does it work? How to get engaged? - <i>Eliza Chirila-Pop, Global Shapers Bucharest Hub (Romania), Aleksandra Sawa, National Youth Council (Poland) and Dan Moxon, People, Dialogue, Change (UK)</i></p>	Conversation		<p>Memes for politics - <i>Paula Alcaraz Martin, artist (Spain)</i></p>	Workshop
	<p>EU campaigning - Elections cases and practices – <i>Laura MacPherson Zieger, Our Future, Our Choice - Scotland (UK) and Gabriella Catalano, Political association Volt Europe (Italy)</i></p>	Conversation		<p>Artivism: Creative Activism and Guerilla Narratives – <i>Kevin Buckland, artist (Spain)</i></p>	Workshop
	<p>Creative Activism – perspectives from art and online art forms – <i>Paula Alcaraz Martin and Kevin Buckland, artists (Spain)</i></p>	Conversation			

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<p>Thursday 19 September</p> <p>14:30 - 16:00</p> <p>Trends and Dilemmas of Youth Political Participation – Parallel C</p> <p>Workshops and Conversations</p>	Potentiate your Practice - Three principles for working with young people and culture – <i>Marcus Faustini, Youth Agency (Brazil)</i>	Workshop	<p>Thursday 19 September</p> <p>16:30 - 17:45</p> <p>Trends and Dilemmas of Youth Political Participation – Parallel D</p> <p>Conversations</p>	Examples of participation of young people in rural areas – <i>Gabriel Badr, YPARD (Italy)</i>	Conversation
	Let's discuss about us! - <i>Panagiota Vasileiou, Steps for youth (Cyprus)</i>	Workshop		Education and Youth work – <i>Jutta Hafer wienXtra-ferienspiel/kinderaktiv (Austria) and Amerissa Giannouli, Inter Alia (Greece)</i>	Conversation
	Systems Thinking in Politics and Civil Society – <i>Blerton Zejneli, Democracy Lab (Republic of North Macedonia)</i>	Workshop		Invisible and non-recognised forms of political participation – <i>Hanjo Schild (Germany) and Andrea Walker Beyond Skin and Youth service NI (UK)</i>	Conversation
	System lead participation – <i>Marija Andreevna OHRID Institute for Economic Strategies and International Affairs (Republic of North Macedonia), Zafeiris Sidropoulos, The Network of Youth Engagement in Katerini (Greece) and Oleksandra Iatsura, "Women for the Future" political party (Ukraine)</i>	Conversation		Participation of underrepresented communities – <i>Adam Labaran, Association of Refugees in Portugal and Renata Plachetkova the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs in Czech Republic</i>	Conversation
	Examples of Transnational Cooperation – <i>Natalia Ustinova, Youth Peace Ambassadors Network (Russian Federation) and Daria Makhotina, BARENT Regional Youth Council (Russian Federation)</i>	Conversation		Legal support – <i>Daniel Dobrentey, Hungarian Civil Liberties Union (Hungary)</i>	Conversation
	Role of research in Political Participation – <i>Andreas Karsten, Youth Policy Labs (Germany) and Hazal Duran, SETA Foundation for Political, Economic and Social Research (Turkey)</i>	Conversation		Online activism – <i>Daniel Poli, Internationale Jugendarbeit der Bundesrepublik Deutschland e.V - IJAB (Germany) and Blerton Zejneli, Democracy Lab (Republic of North Macedonia)</i>	Conversation
	(social) media – <i>Callum Dineen, UEA Future Leaders (UK) and Juan Carlos Gonzales Perez, Spanish Institute for Youth (Spain)</i>	Conversation		Promoting political participation of young people - <i>Coyote magazine, Mark Taylor (France)</i>	Conversation