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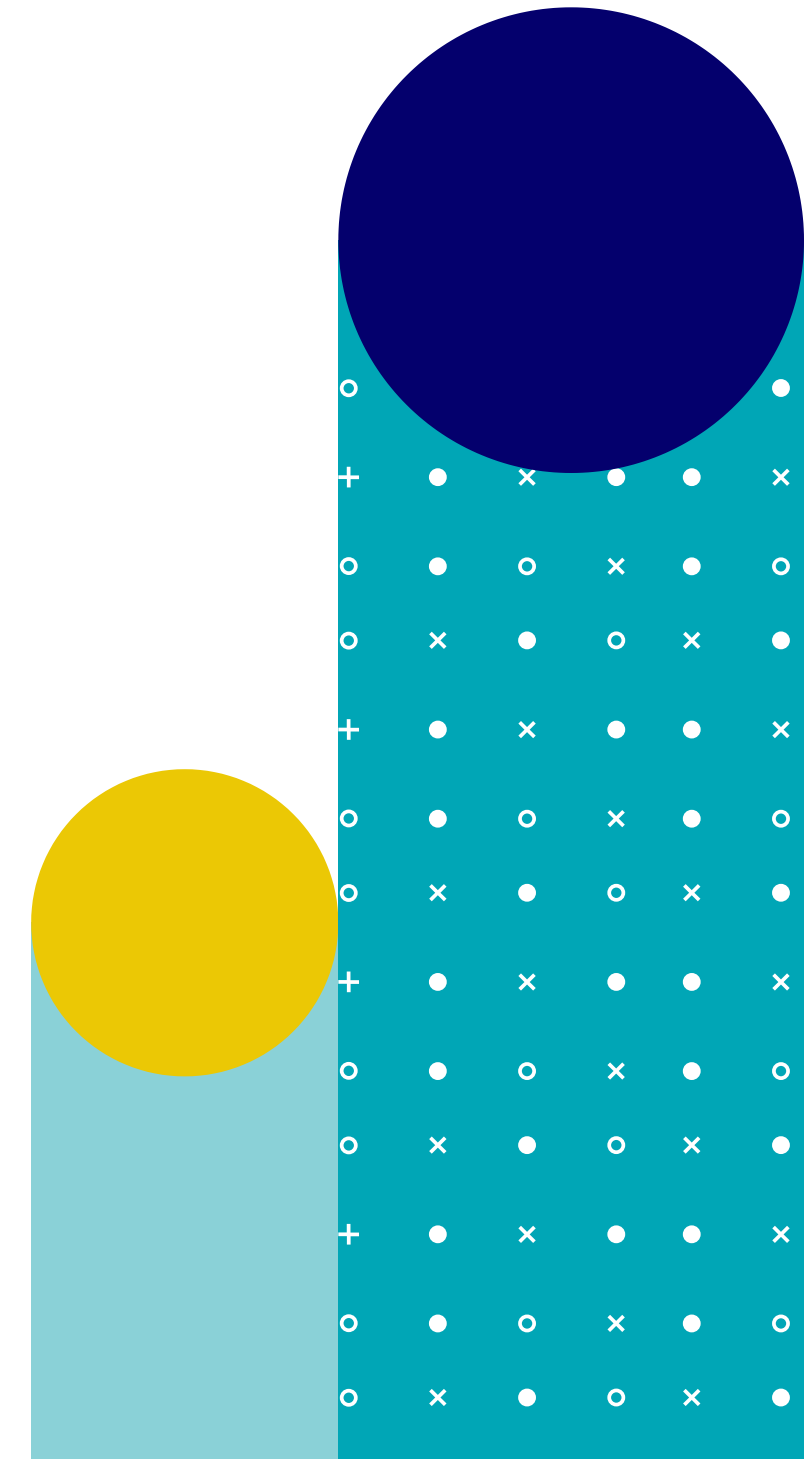
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Activities 2020



Overview

- 14 core activities
- 2 Youth Knowledge Books
- 4 thematic studies
- 2 training kits
- 1 MOOC
- over 15 webinars and videos
- 5 podcasts
- and many translations and updates to the Knowledge Centre



Youth Knowledge Forum



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Youth Knowledge Forum

- 2-day event exploring youth research in today's Europe
 - EKCYP
 - PEYR and other researchers
 - youth policy-makers
 - young people and youth organisations
 - youth work practitioners



#YOUTH KNOWLEDGE BREAK



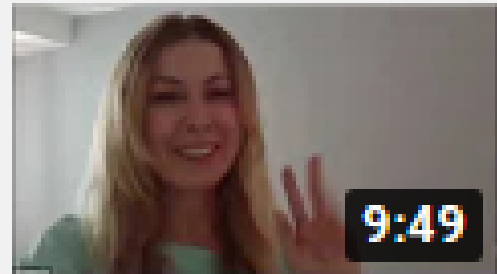
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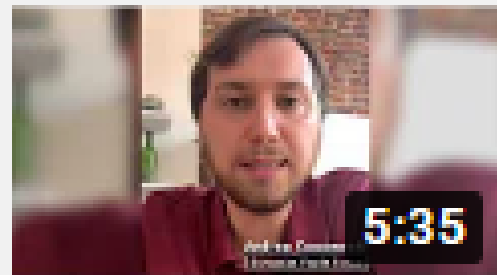
Inspirations

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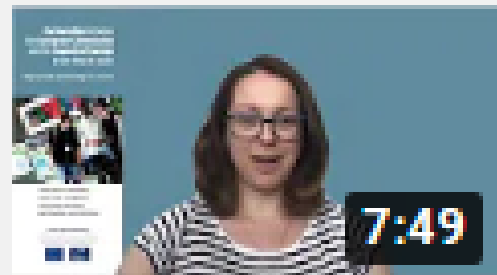
Youth Knowledge Break #2 - Inspiration - Youth Research: the essentials

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Youth Knowledge Break #3 - Inspiration - The role of knowledge in the youth sector

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Youth Knowledge Break #4 - Inspiration - Youth Policy evaluation

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Youth Knowledge Break #5 - Inspiration - The role of research in policy making

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Webinars

#YOUTH KNOWLEDGE BREAK



23 JUNE 2020

#YOUTH KNOWLEDGE BREAK

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DECISION MAKER

PRACTITIONER

RESEARCHER



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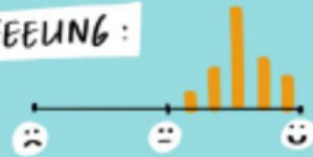
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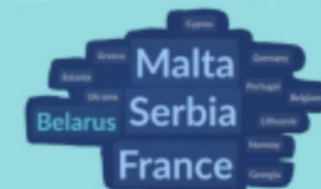
FEELING:



FROM WHICH ANGLE OF THE YOUTH SECTOR?



WHERE ARE YOU CONNECTING FROM?



WHAT ARE THE MAIN CHALLENGES?

- NO CONNECTION BETWEEN RESEARCH & POLICY / PRACTICE
- ACCESS
- COMMUNICATION
- INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT
- QUALITY OF RESEARCH

EXPECTATIONS:

- INSPIRATION
- FRUITFUL DISCUSSIONS
- HEAR ABOUT DIFFERENT PRACTICES
- UPDATE ON RESEARCH & POLICY

Are we in a GOOD PLACE regarding YOUTH KNOWLEDGE & RESEARCH in Europe today?

Is YOUTH RESEARCH commissioned/produced supporting YOUTH POLICY, YOUTH WORK / YOUNG PEOPLE today?

What are the CHALLENGES and what could we do to STRENGTHEN the role of RESEARCH?



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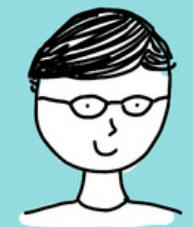
HOW IS YOUTH RESEARCH HAPPENING IN FINLAND, LUXEMBOURG AND PORTUGAL?

AND HOW DOES IT SUPPORT YOUTH WORK PRACTICE & YOUTH POLICY?

CONTRIBUTORS



WHERE DO PARTICIPANTS COME FROM?



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• Member of PEYR

RESEARCHER



ANDREAS HEINEN
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• Member of PEYR

BOARD MEMBER



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Member of the Board of Directors Portuguese Institute for Sports & Youth



CO-CREATION

FINLAND

HAS A 2-PILLAR MODEL



- WORKS OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITIES
- FINLAND'S LARGEST PRODUCER & PUBLISHER OF DATA ON YOUNG PEOPLE
- COOPERATION WITH MULTIPLE PARTIES

ANNUAL BUDGET
£1.85 MILLION
MAINLY FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION & CULTURE

MEMBERS
382

MORE YOUTH RESEARCHERS IN FINLAND THAN IN EUROPE ALL TOGETHER

- OUR RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**
- * MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH
 - * MULTIMETHOD
 - * WIDE SPECTRUM OF RESEARCH THEMES
 - * JOURNAL (SINCE 1985)
 - * YOUTH BARMETER (PUBLISHED SINCE 1994)
 - * YOUTH WIKI
 - * PUBLICATION SERIES

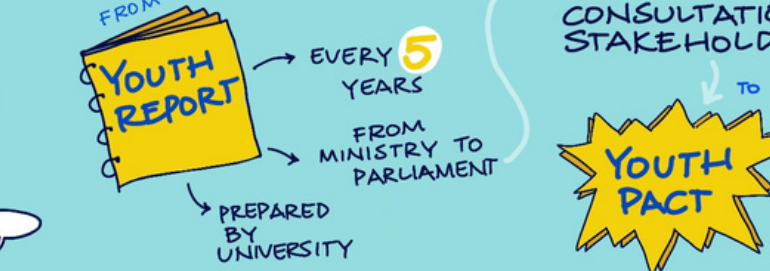
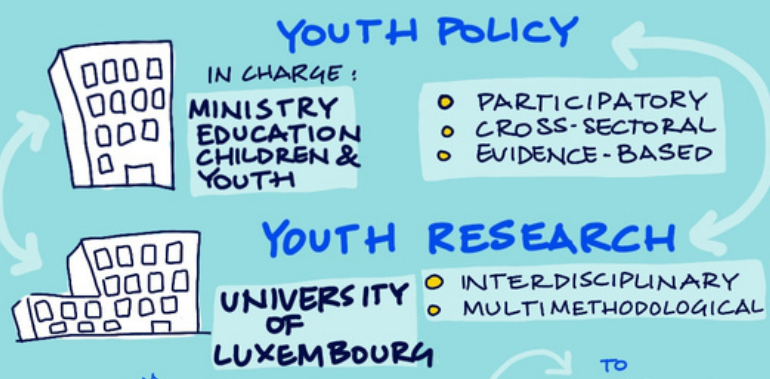
HOW DOES IT TRANSLATE?



FOCUS ON INCLUSION?
yes!
• MULTICULTURAL ISSUES
• MINORITY YOUTH

COVID FOCUS
MULTICULTURAL AND UNSAFE CONDITIONS
ACCESS TO SAFE SPACES FOR LEISURE TIME

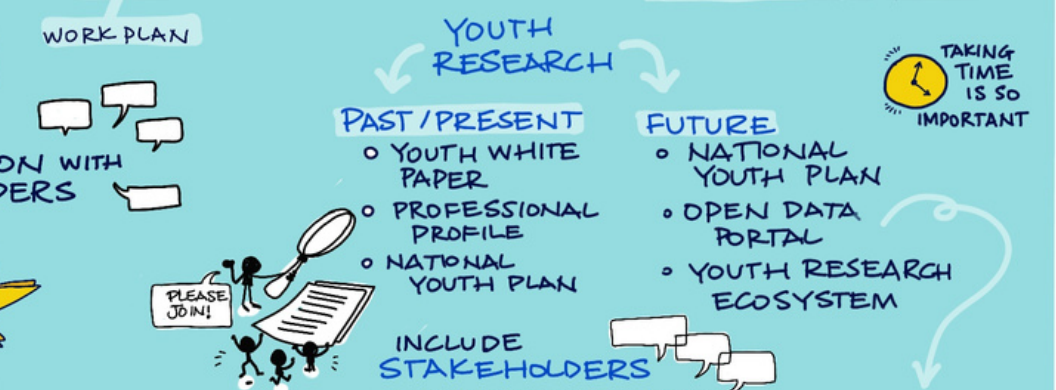
LUXEMBOURG



WE PROVIDE AN INSIDE VIEW... RATHER THAN JUST STATISTICS

COVID FOCUS
• SOCIAL ISOLATION
• COMMUNICATION
• UNEMPLOYMENT

PORTUGAL



FACTORS OF SUCCESS

- * LONG TERM DIALOGUE PROCESS
- * CLEAR EXPECTATIONS & COMMUNICATION
- * INCLUDE YOUNG PEOPLE'S PERSPECTIVES

COVID FOCUS
• RIGHTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE
• QUALITATIVE DATA

Massive Open Online Course

Essentials of Youth Work

YWMOOC

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A light blue world map is visible in the background, showing the outlines of continents and countries. The map is centered on the Atlantic Ocean.

Interest from 85 countries

3503 people registered

Most of them are volunteers, youth workers or work at a youth organisation

Age 18-30: more than 50%

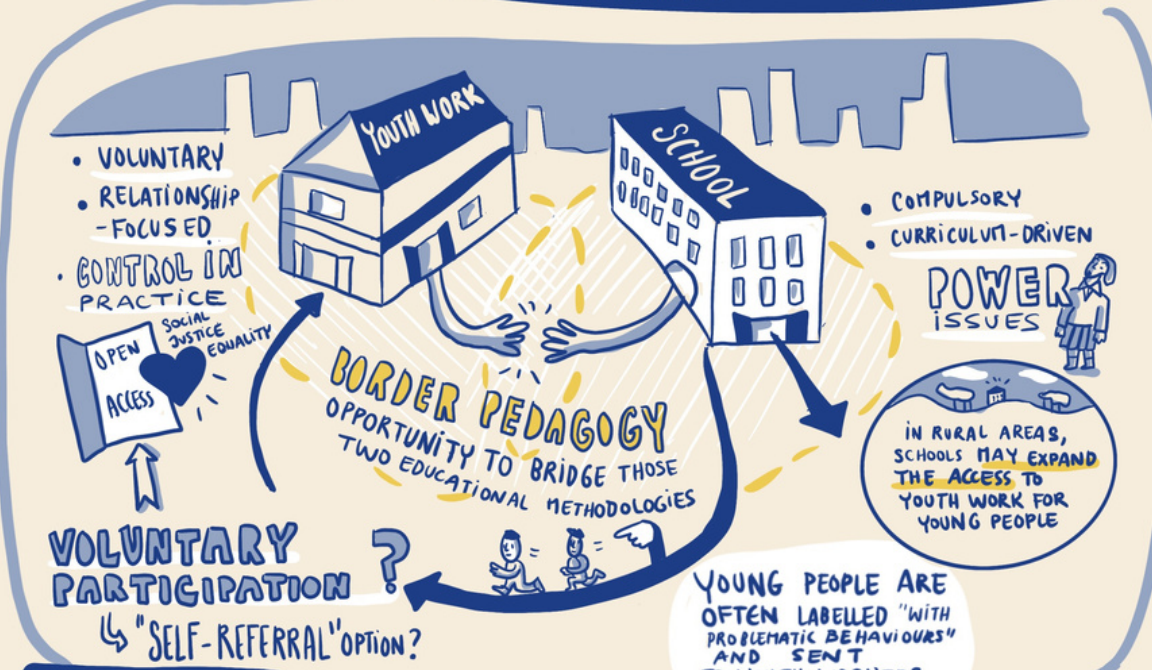
Boundaries of Youth Work

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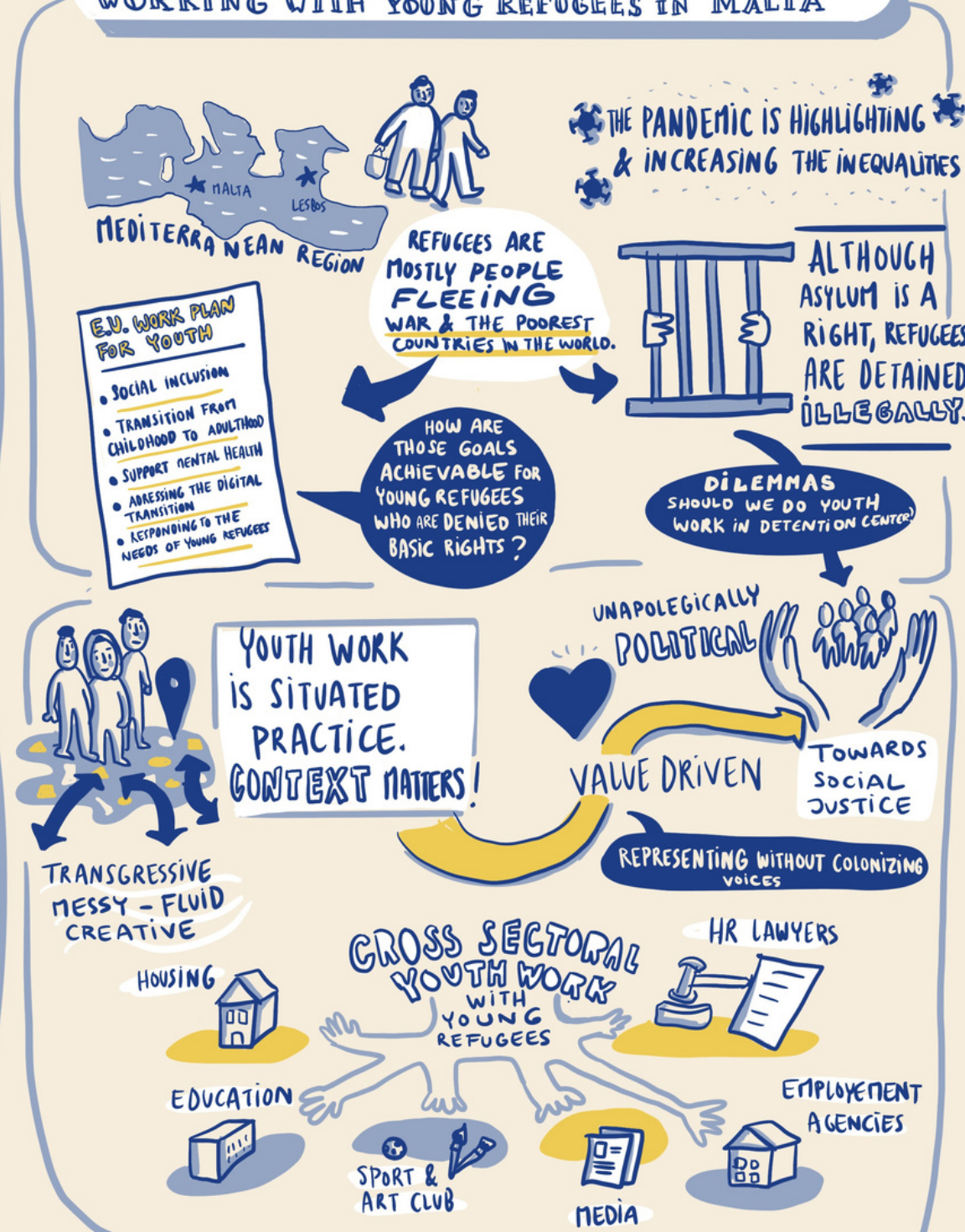
SUSAN COOPER

BRIDGES OR BARRIERS: WORKING WITH 'OTHERS'



MARIA PISANI

YOUTH WORK IN THE BORDERLANDS WORKING WITH YOUNG REFUGEES IN MALTA

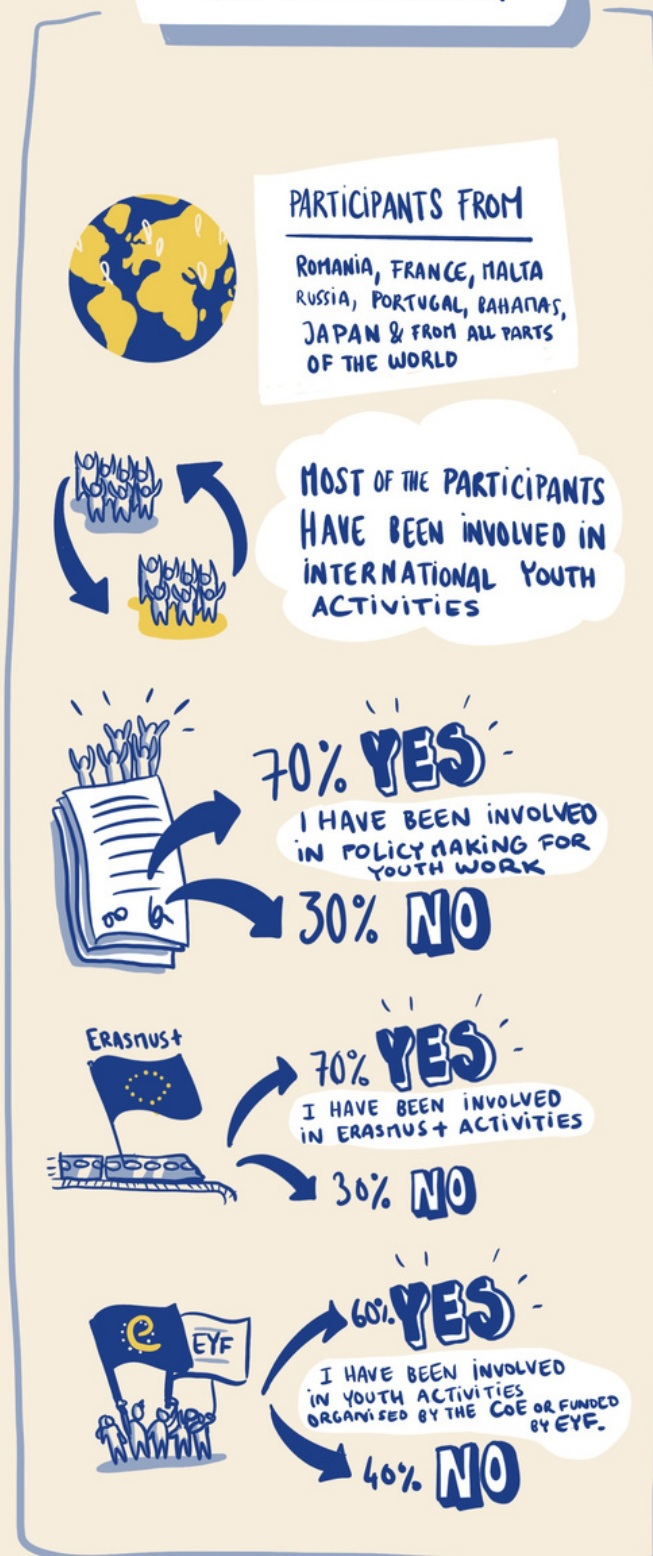


QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

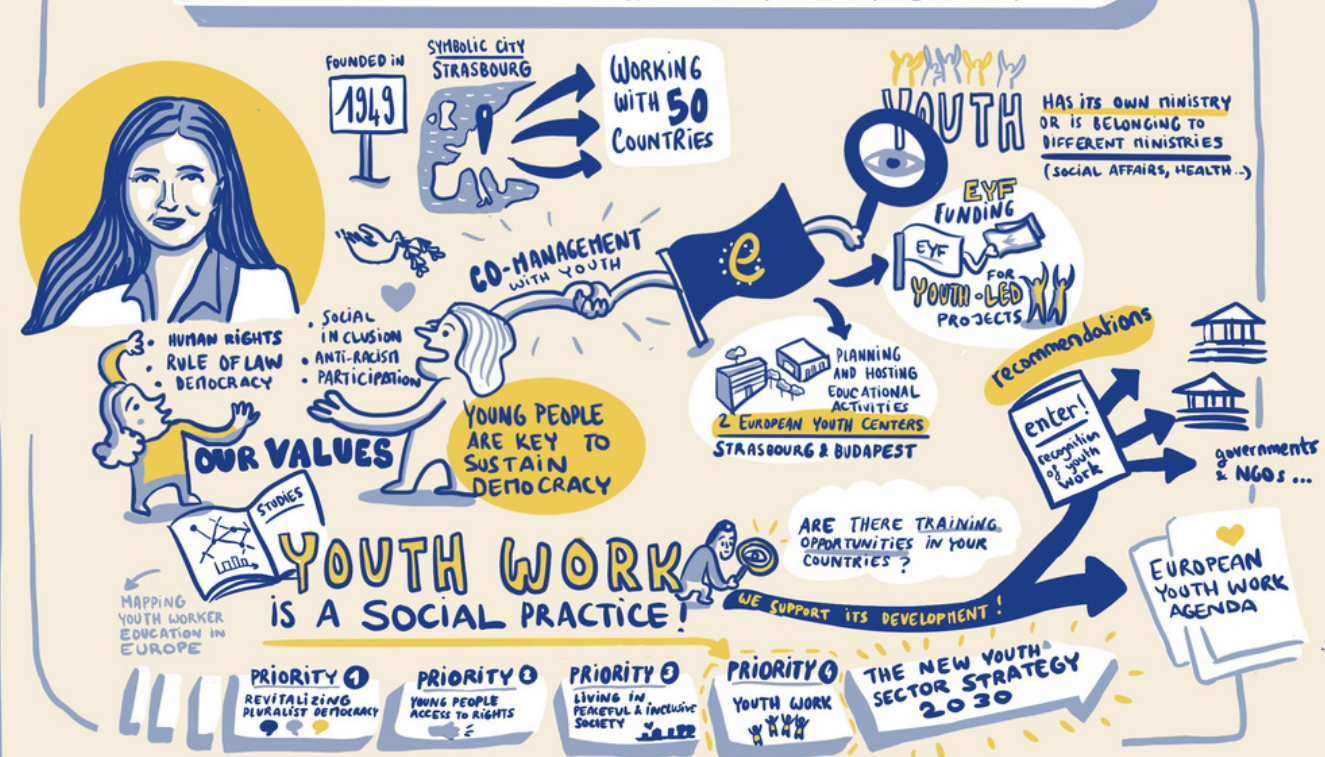


Support measures for youth work on European level

WHO IS IN THE ROOM?



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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

THE GOALS OF THE YOUTH PARTNERSHIP



RECOGNITION



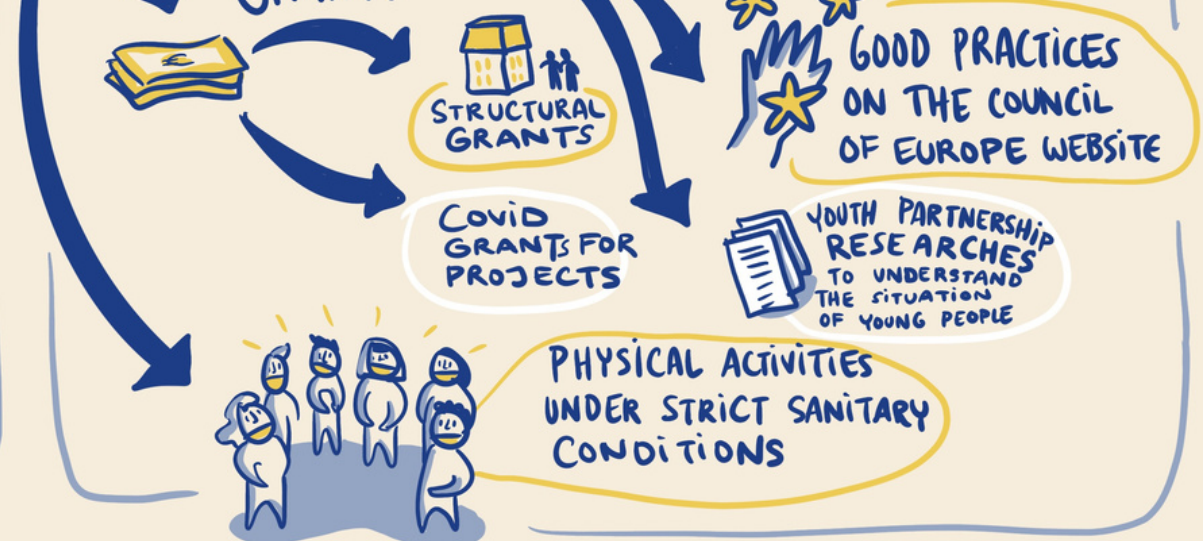
RESPONSES TO THE COVID CRISIS



GLOBAL COOPERATION



GRANTS

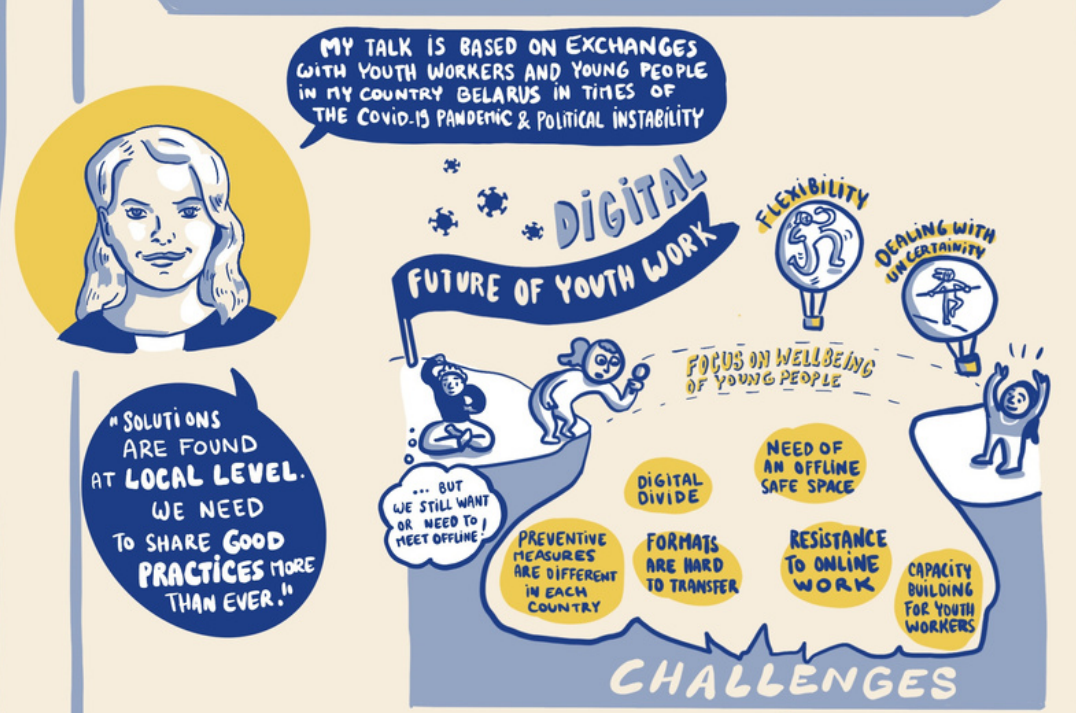


Current debates and the future of youth work

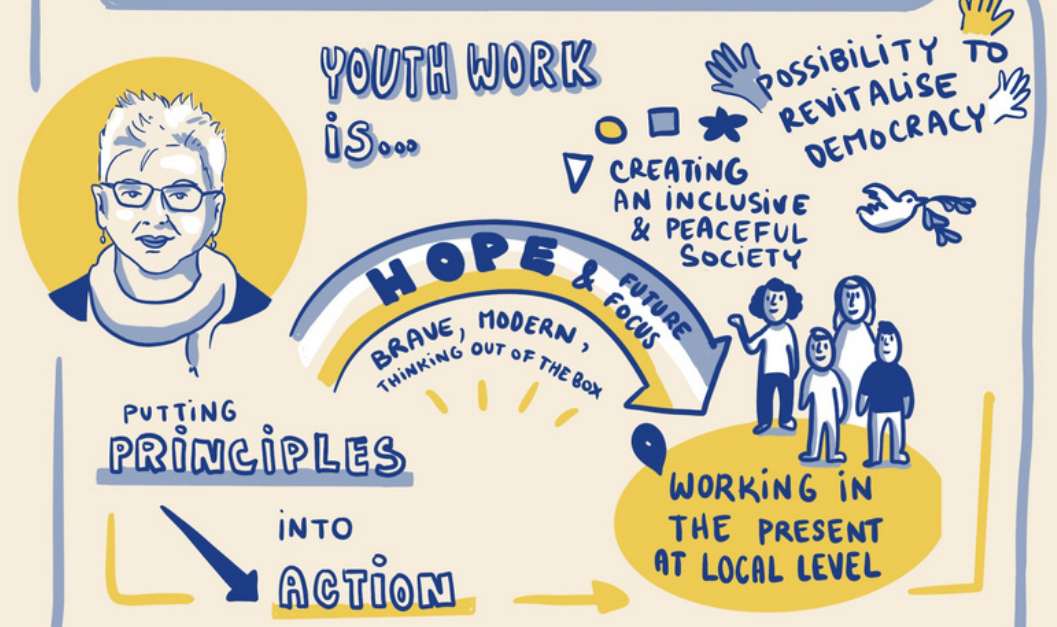
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6 videos



Young people in youth work

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Evaluation in youth work

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What is youth work?

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Building and maintaining relationships in youth work

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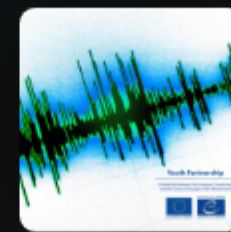
Youth workers' competences

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How did you become a youth worker?

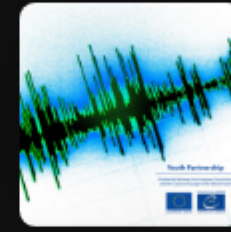
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Advocacy for youth work

In this episode we discuss why and how to advocate for youth work. Guests: Federica Demicheli (Italy) is a vice President of NINFEA (National Association aiming for the recognition of youth workers in Italy) and active as a yout...

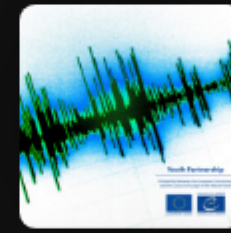
▶ Sep 26 · 27 min



Youth workers: values and ethics

In this episode we are talking about values and ethics in youth work and their importance in youth work practice. Invited guests: Hilary Tierney - Maynooth University, Ireland. Hilary worked as a youth worker for many years befor...

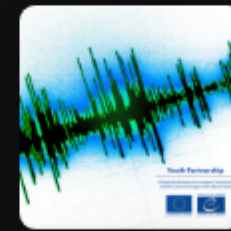
▶ Sep 4 · 29 min



Youth research

In this episode we are discussing youth research and its role in youth work practice. Invited guests: Lana Pasic is a Youth Research and Policy Officer at the Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europ...

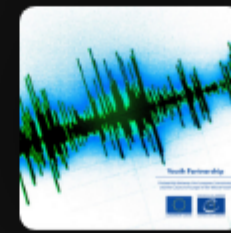
▶ Aug 29 · 31 min



Quality and standards in youth work

We are talking with Sabine Klocker from Austria and Jonas Agdur from Sweden about quality and standards in youth work. This podcast was produced for the MOOC - Essentials of Youth Work. Jonas Agdur (Sweden) spent 18 years...

▶ Aug 27 · 27 min



History of youth work

In this episode we are talking with Howard Williamson and Jan Vanhee on the history of youth work in Europe. This podcast has been produced for the MOOC on Essentials of Youth Work. Howard Williamson is a youth worker and...

▶ Aug 25 · 29 min

5 podcasts

Publications and research outputs



Youth Knowledge Books



Perspectives on youth



T-kits



Coyote online magazine



Other publications

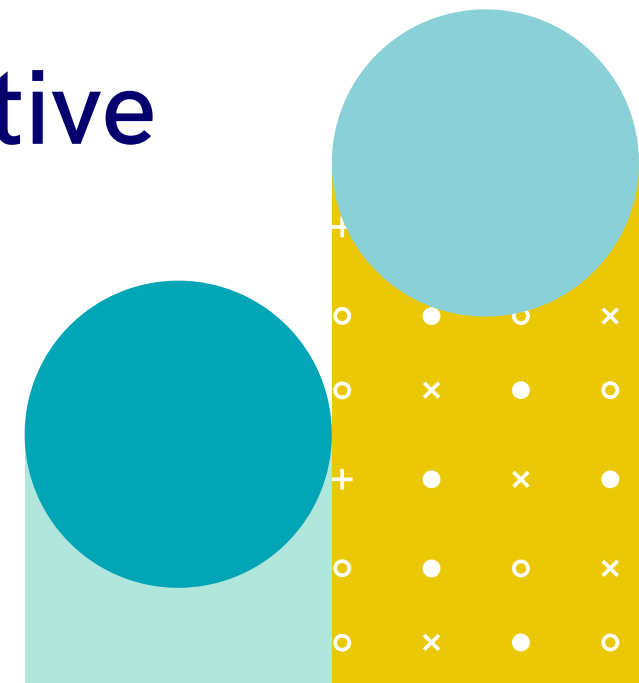
Youth Knowledge Books

Editorial work

- YKB on political participation

Finalised

- YKB on youth, social inclusion and digitalisation
- About Time! new youth policy manual from a European perspective



Expert work on youth policy evaluation

- Youth policy evaluation review published
- Insights into youth policy evaluation published
- Illustration on youth policy evaluation checklist
- Youth Knowledge Break #4 focused on the topic
- Integrated in new Youth Policy Manual
- Conceptualising an index of youth policy evaluation studies



Perspectives on youth

- "Flattening the Curve" while Flattening Emissions, by Kevin Buckland
- AI, algorithmic stereotyping and young people
- Youth inclusion, digital solutions and the global pandemic
- Youth Homelessness in Generation Covid-19. How does Covid-19 impact on vulnerable and already marginalised young people experiencing homelessness?



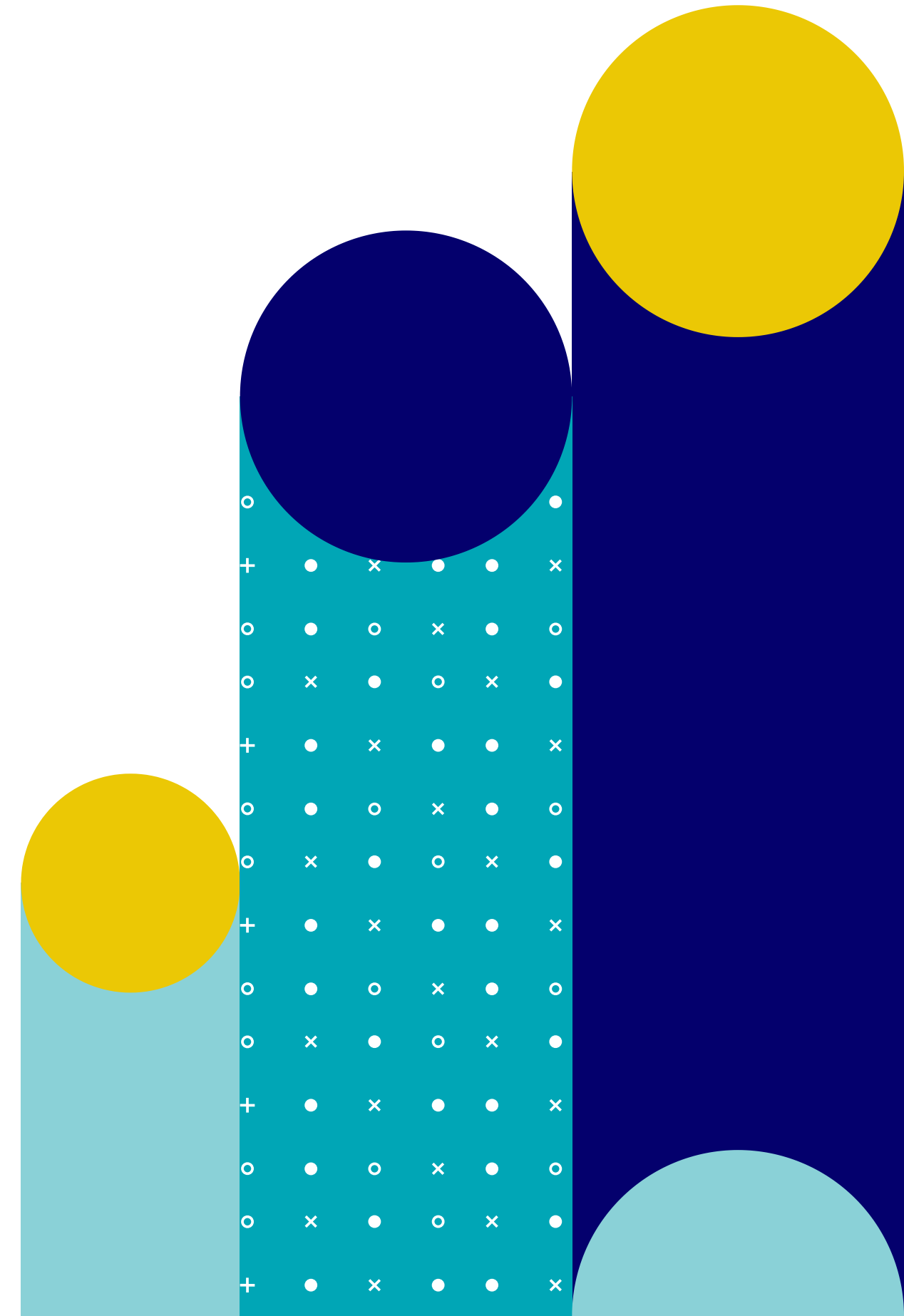
Towards a European Youth Work Agenda

- country factsheets on youth work (also drawing on EKCYP survey on priorities and challenges)
- published YKB #26 on education and career paths of youth workers and developing communication and educational material
- published two new studies based on EKCYP contributions (quality youth work and youth worker communities)
- contributing to Europe Goes Local
- contributing to drafting the new European Training Strategy
- Youth Work Country templates
- Youth Work Essentials published
- Study on youth work in eastern Europe: realities, perspectives and inspiring initiatives
- contributing to peer learning on education and training of youth workers



European Platform on Learning Mobility (EPLM)

- coordination of the Steering Group (35 members)
- biannual newsletters
- ongoing research:
 - community impact indicators
 - impact of COVID-19 on learning mobility

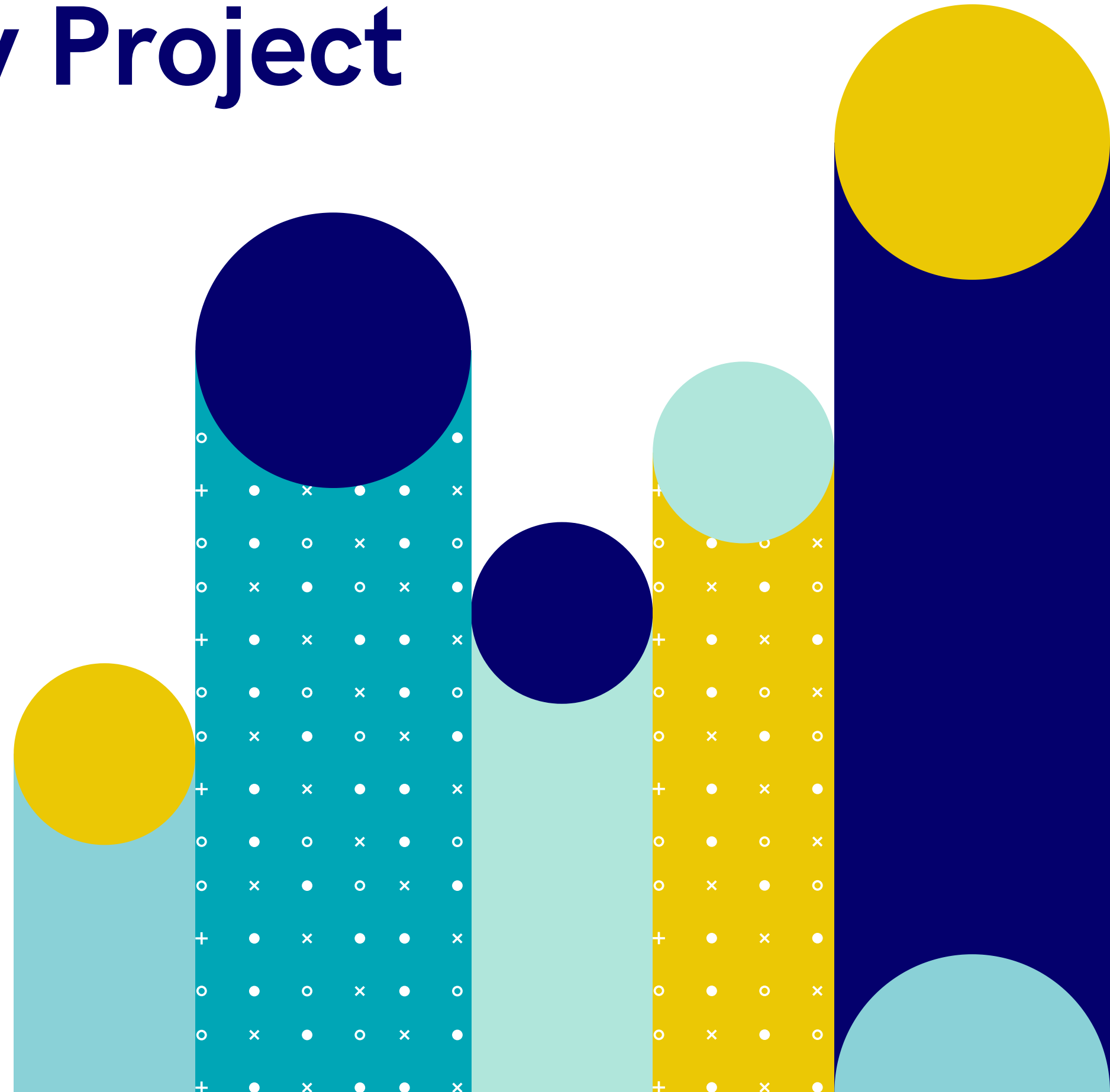


Shaping Youth Policy Project

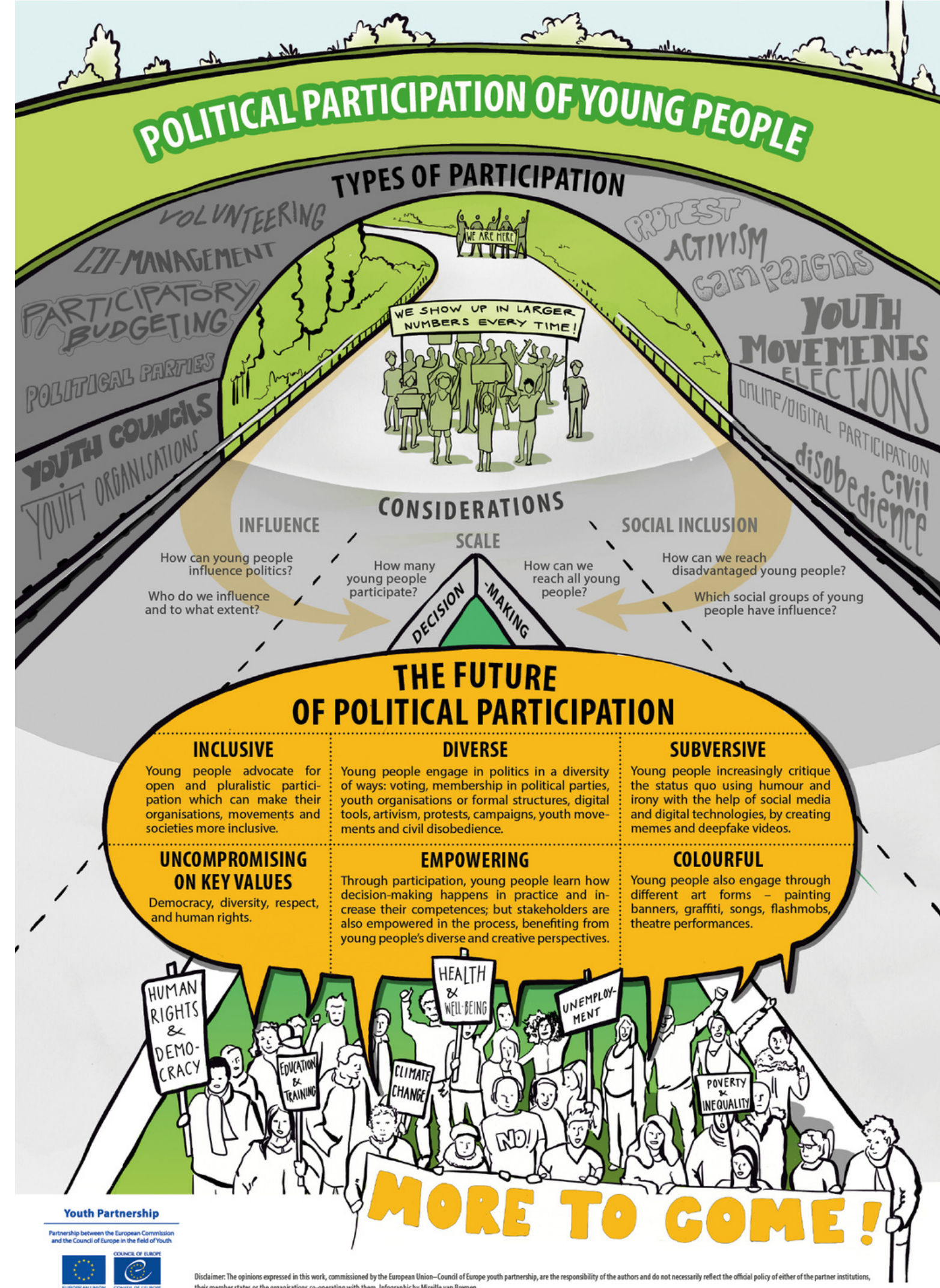
Final evaluation seminar
18-20 November 2020

Edu4Europe Forum

Understanding European citizenship
education - webinar
13 November 2020 at 15 CET



Training kits, handbooks, infographics

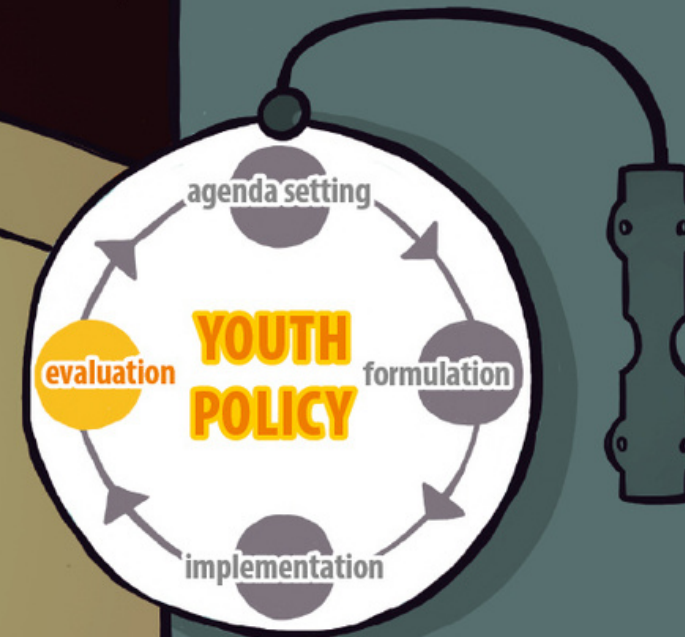


YOUTH POLICY EVALUATION

Evaluation is a process that seeks to describe a value of a policy measure, using data and research methods. Evaluation is introduced to understand the impact, quality and management of youth policies.

Youth policy comprises a range of policies that seek to support young people in transition to becoming autonomous individuals and

active members of society. All countries have a youth policy – by design, default or neglect. Public policy intervention is a cyclic process.



CHECKLIST

HOW?

- 1 Define the goal, objectives and indicators of the policy.
- 2 Define the indicators system for monitoring and evaluation.
- 3 Consult with stakeholders, including young people, on the evaluation plan.

- 1 Collect and update information on indicators.
- 2 Continuously improve indicators and the monitoring system.
- 3 Conduct interim evaluations to assess the M&E framework.

- 1 Decide on the evaluation questions and methods planned.
- 2 Select independent evaluators, if planned.
- 3 Assess the measure on the basis of performance/monitoring indicators.
- 4 Involve young people.
- 5 Collect data for other indicators identified as needed and assess the policy measure.

Implementation

CARRIAGE 2

- 4 Involve young people (surveys, focus groups, interviews, consultations, meetings, online...)
- 5 Compile information on indicators and the progress achieved; report on this progress.
- 6 Ensure that the monitoring system will deliver data for the impact evaluation.

Evaluation

CARRIAGE 3

- 6 Check results of the ex-ante evaluation regarding the indicator and M&E system.
- 7 Review indicators linked to a possible review of the youth policy.
- 8 Review the monitoring system and its results.
- 9 Except in the case of ex-post evaluations, continue to monitor and collect data.

WHY monitor and evaluate youth policy?

- to provide feedback on progress and identify lessons learnt
- to inform decisions and improve policy effectiveness
- to demonstrate impact and promote the results
- to promote accountability of all stakeholders involved
- to engage stakeholders and build ownership

Planning

CARRIAGE 1

- 4 Design the monitoring system and quality check the indicators.
- 5 Design the evaluation system and identify the data needed.
- 6 For ex-ante evaluation, assess the M&E system and the indicators.
- 7 For ex-post/impact evaluation, prepare in the planning phase the data/indicators to be collected.

WHO?



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YOUNG PEOPLE

The focus of the study are young people who are facing some kind of disadvantage or exclusion. These may include:



SOCIAL INCLUSION

Social inclusion is the process of promoting the values, relations and institutions that enable all people to participate in social, economic and political life on the basis of equality of rights, equity and dignity.

EXCLUSION

Social exclusion is multidimensional – it encompasses social, political, cultural and economic dimensions, and operates at different social levels.

TRAININGS AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES WITH A DIGITAL DIMENSION

ADDRESSED TO YOUTH WORKERS, TEACHERS, OTHER SPECIALISTS TO:

Youth workers, teachers or other specialists working directly with young people have various opportunities to advance their digital skills and competences and use online tools for their self-development:

- online educational programmes for lifelong learning
- digital pedagogical resources for various school subjects adapted to new digital devices
- digital skills trainings for youth workers working in contexts of social inclusion
- trainings on digital/smart youth work and use of digital tools, media literacy and relevant topics such as digital citizenship, online safety, cyber-bullying, or responsible Internet use

ADDRESSED TO YOUNG PEOPLE:

Digital training and educational opportunities for young people have the following characteristics:

- trainings address basic digital skills, online safety and aim to foster creativity
- basic ICT courses are taught in schools as a part of formal education curricula
- advanced digital skills (such as programming) are mostly addressed to university students
- some countries implementing the Youth Guarantee have digital trainings for NEET or at risk youth
- young people from disadvantaged backgrounds still have limited opportunities
- in non-formal education, digital programmes are led by NGOs, youth centres, hubs, makerspaces or technology companies
- trainings are delivered face-to-face

DIGITAL TOOLS & ONLINE PLATFORMS

ADDRESSED TO YOUTH WORKERS, TEACHERS, OTHER SPECIALISTS TO:

- 1 **Improve their ICT skills**
- 2 **Share experiences, materials and tools**
- 3 **Proactively engage in online safety**
- 4 **Use artificial intelligence (AI) powered tools to supplement their work**

PLATFORMS AND TOOLS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE OFFER:

- 1 **Health support** on mental health, substance abuse, sexual activity, HIV services
- 2 **Greater inclusion** of young people with disabilities
- 3 **Space for participation, dialogue and consultation**
- 4 **Online safety guidance** for children and teenagers
- 5 **Educational & professional guidance**
- 6 **Information & counselling**

Digitalisation is a social phenomenon of increasing importance of **digital technology** and **digital tools**, **mass communication** and **online spaces** and **communities**.

Digitalisation does not refer only to the **access to technology** and the Internet, but to the **use of Internet** and different digital opportunities.



Of young people surveyed*:

- 95% use Internet daily
- 89% use mobile devices as access points
- 11% have taken part in online consultations or voting to define political or civic issues

*Eurostat data, 2019

PURPOSE OF INTERNET USE

- social networks
- civic awareness
- communication
- civic opinions

STUDY ON SOCIAL INCLUSION, DIGITALISATION & YOUNG PEOPLE

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USE OF INTERNET

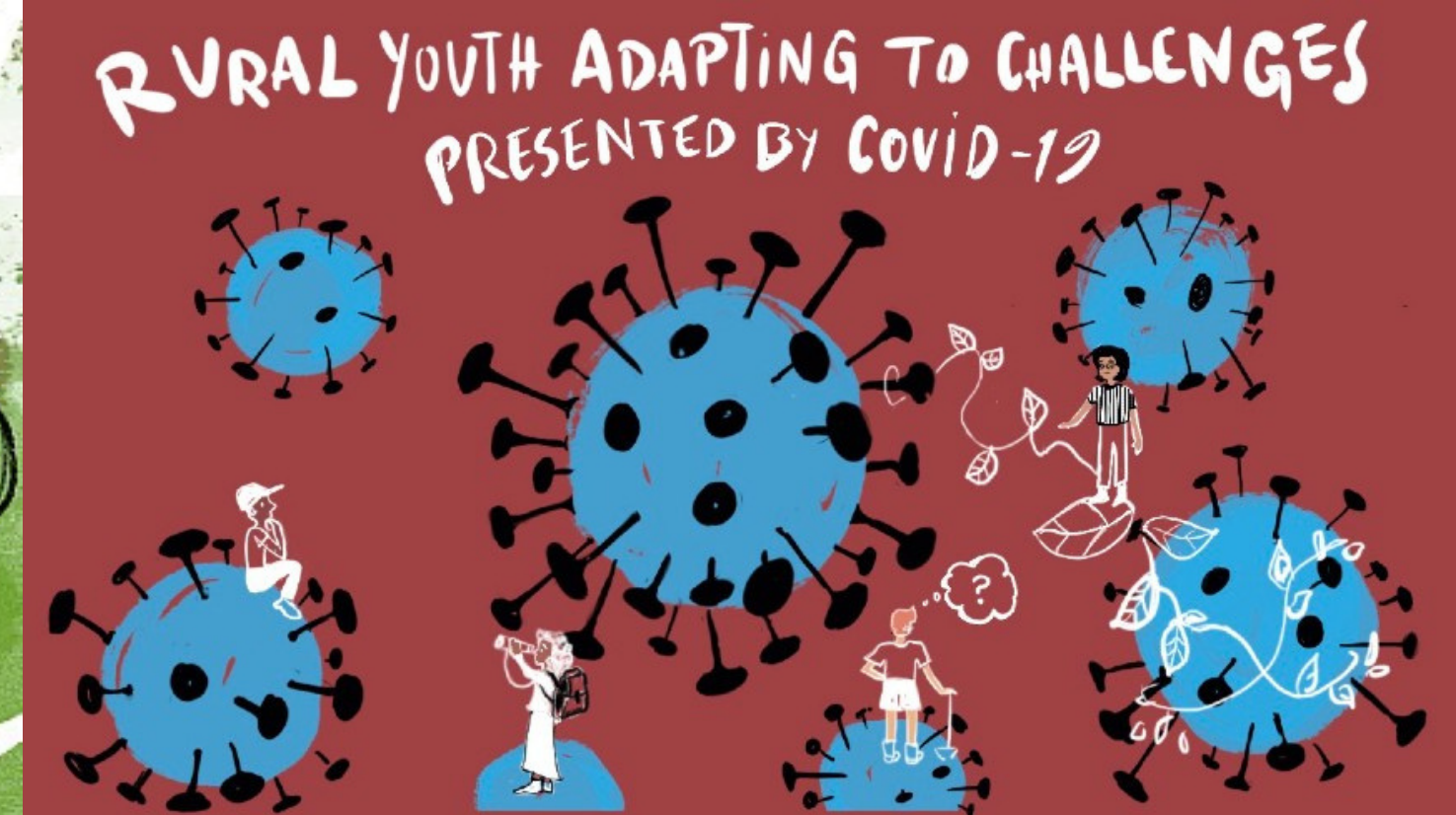
Coyote #30 published



Mapping rural youth realities
How are they moving forward?



RURAL YOUTH ADAPTING TO CHALLENGES
PRESENTED BY COVID-19



EKCYP AND PEYR





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37 correspondents

Pool of European Youth Researchers

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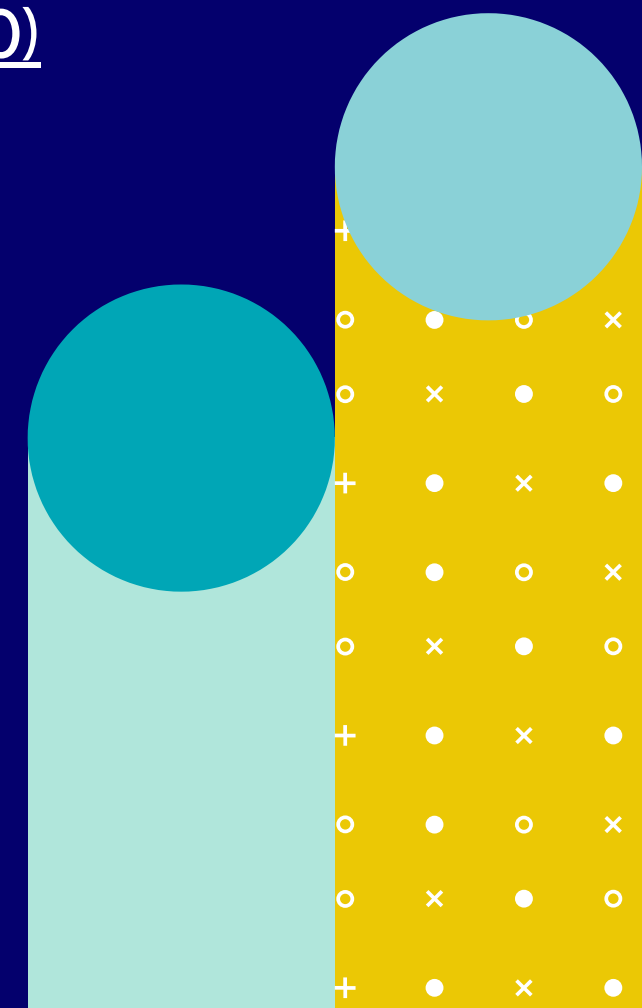


Pool of European Youth Researchers (PEYR)

33 members (2017-2020)
New PEYR in 2021

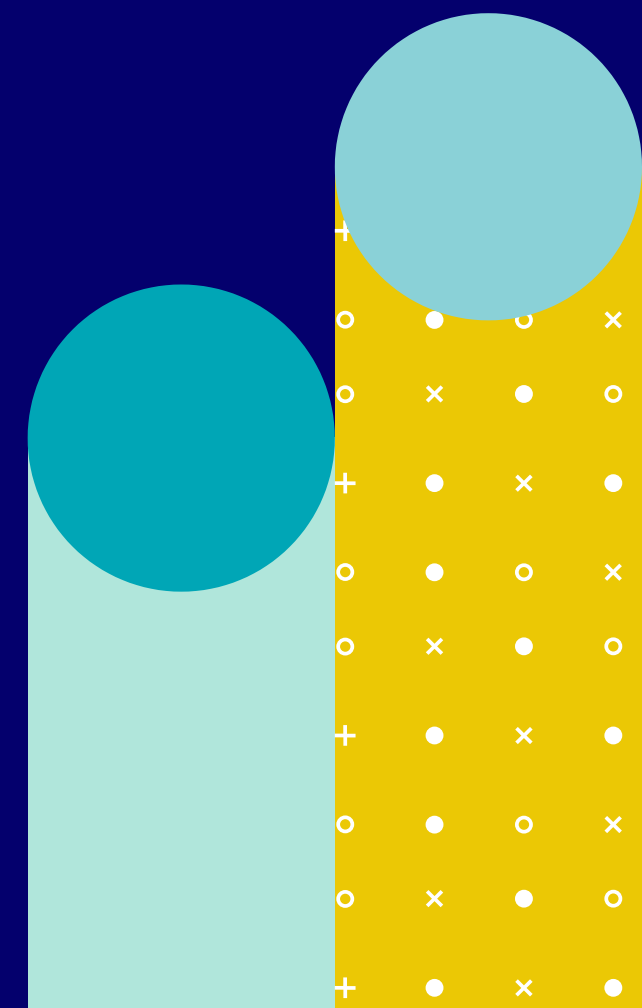
Publications and studies based on EKCYP and PEYR contributions in 2018-2020

- [Reports of past annual EKCYP meetings - 15th meeting - June 2019 and 14th meeting - September 2018](#)
- [Reports of past annual PEYR meetings - 9th meeting - June 2019 and 8th meeting - September 2018](#)
- [Marti Taru, Ewa Krzaklewska, Tanya Basarab \(eds\): Youth worker education in Europe. Policies, structures, practices. Youth Knowledge Book 26](#)
- [Study and Youth Knowledge Book on Social Inclusion and Digitalisation \(forthcoming\)](#)
- [Tomi Kiilakoski: Youth work communities in Europe: practitioners, arenas and cross-sectoral partnerships - analytical paper \(2020\)](#)
- [James O'Donovan: Promoting quality in youth work practice in Europe - analytical paper \(2020\)](#)
- [Irina Lonean, Ruta Braziene and Marti Taru: Youth Policy Evaluation Review](#)
- [Insights into Youth Policy Evaluation - forthcoming](#)
- [Infographic on youth policy evaluation](#)
- [Insights into Digitalisation and Social Inclusion - forthcoming](#)
- [Perspectives on Youth - Youth inclusion, digital solutions and the global pandemic](#)
- [Infographic on social inclusion and digitalisation](#)
- [Infographic on COVID-19, social inclusion and digitalisation](#)
- [Contributions to Youth Wiki from non-programme countries](#)
- [Youth Work Country Sheets](#) and [Youth Policy Country Sheets](#)



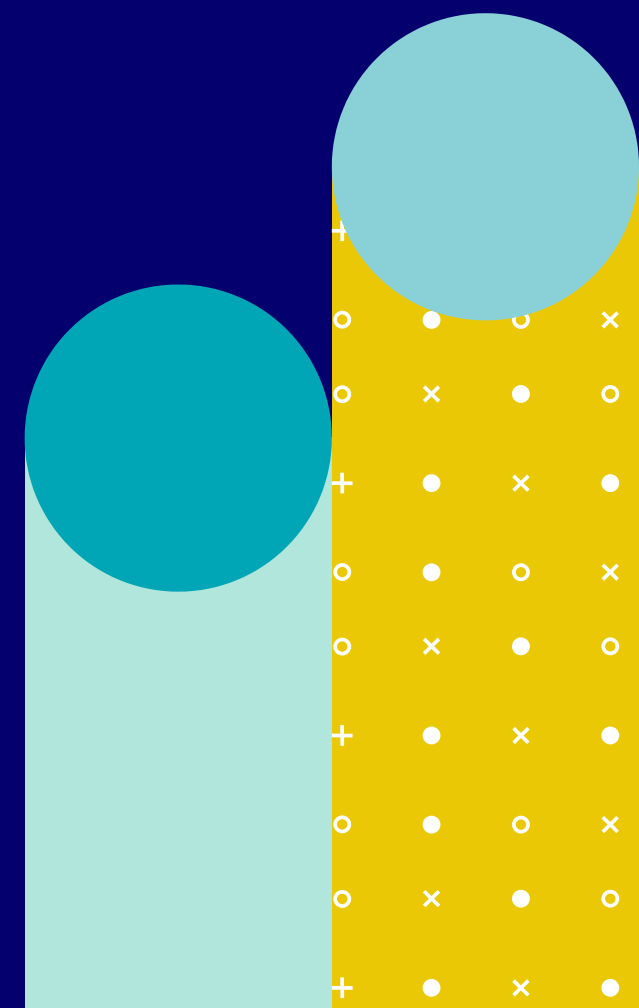
Other contributions

- Participation in the core support group and thematic expert groups
- Participation in the European Youth Event Online and presenting the Social Inclusion, Digitalisation and Young People research study
- Supporting the development of the questionnaire and the analysis of the Council of Europe's statutory bodies on the impact of COVID-19 on the youth sector
- Analysis of the EU questionnaire on the immediate impact of COVID-19 on the youth sector in the member states
- Attending the meetings of the Statutory bodies of the Council of Europe in the field of youth
- Contributing to the research support for the EU Youth Dialogue
- Providing evidence base and research on the topic of shrinking space of youth civil society, towards the planned CM Recommendation on the topic
- Participating in the reflection meetings for the review of Access to Rights recommendation
- Study on youth political participation



On-going projects based on knowledge collected with EKCYP and PEYR

- Research on the importance of knowledge and its contribution to youth policy making and youth work practice in Europe, through a range of products for the Youth Knowledge Forum
- Study and Youth Knowledge Book on youth political participation
- Knowledge HUB: COVID-19 impact on the youth sector – analysis of national and local realities across Europe
- Youth Work factsheets and contribution to the development of background documents for the 3rd European Youth Work Convention
- Mapping national knowledge networks and resources
- About Time! A reference manual for youth policy development and implementation from a European perspective in the 21st century - forthcoming
- Developing an index of youth policy evaluation studies
- Developing pedagogical and communication material based on YKB 26 on Education of Youth Workers
- Supporting the work of the EPLM through research on community impact indicators and impact of COVID-19 on learning mobility
- Contribution to the Coyote magazine through short articles



Plans for 2021



Planned activities in 2021

- COVID-19 impact on young people and the youth sector: Research and debate with policy-makers, practitioners and other relevant stakeholders
- EKCYP and PEYR
- Study on political participation of young people - concluding
- Youth Knowledge Books – youth political participation finalisation; editorial work on a new Youth Knowledge Book
- Perspectives on Youth
- Contributing to the European Youth Work Agenda - follow-up on the results of the 3rd EYCW
- Supporting democratic citizenship education with a European dimension - Edu4Europe Forum
- European Platform on Learning Mobility
- MOOC on youth work essentials - 2nd edition
- Training kits, handbooks
- Coyote - Issue #31 linked to the 3rd EYWC

Thank you for your attention!



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