

Engaging Youth Researchers

A guide for
policy-makers
& practitioners

BENEFITS of working with researchers:

1. Ensuring that youth policies and youth practices are knowledge-based

2. Increased professionalism in documenting and developing instruments, practices, projects, programmes and policies

3. Increased objectivity and application of ethics

4. Developing monitoring and evaluation of policies and practices, including indicators

CHECKLIST for initiating a youth research project

- 1 ☐ Create a clear outline of the knowledge the research aims to produce
- 2 ☐ Identify key stakeholders and audience
- 3 ☐ Create a clear outline of how that knowledge might be used
- 4 ☐ Develop a plan for data gathering, sharing and safekeeping
- 5 ☐ Define a research methodology
- 6 ☐ Develop terms of references for the research
- 7 ☐ Involve researchers with relevant thematic and methodological competencies
- 8 ☐ Develop a timeline
- 9 ☐ Set a budget
- 10 ☐ Prepare an inception report to ensure a common understanding of the scope and methodology
- 11 ☐ Co-operate during the researcher process
- 12 ☐ Provide feedback

HOW
is it done?



analysis

evaluation

policy
brief

literature
review

study

WHERE
to find researchers?

1. The Pool of European Youth Researchers (PEYR)
2. The European Knowledge Centre for Youth Policy (EKCYP)
3. EKCYP expert database
4. Youth Wiki Network
5. National networks

Youth Partnership

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



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