



# CMJ Survey

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# CMJ Joint Council on Youth Questionnaire

- Circulated July – August 2020
- To youth NGOs (local, regional, networks) and youth workers – professionals and volunteers
- 48 youth organisations across Council of Europe completed the survey: 18 youth organisations stated that they are a local NGO; 14 cast their votes as an international network or organisation, with 10 being nationally based and 6 being a regional NGO



# State of Play:

- how the Covid-19 pandemic influences the youth organisations which responded to the survey in terms of regular youth work activities undertaken in youth clubs, youth centres and other youth spaces, budgetary matters and youth outreach;
- practices undertaken by the youth organisations in view of the crisis;
- the digital tools and instruments being used or developed by youth organisations during the pandemic in order to support young people;
- the support – mainly financial – youth organisations need to respond to the current crisis through the measures being taken at national and also international level.



# Conclusions

- *ALL negatively* impacted by COVID-19 pandemic:
- A. project delays
- B. outreach and visibility decrease
- C. lack of financial support from private and public institutions.
- D. Almost all of their projects have been cancelled such as volunteering, mobility programmes and closure of their youth centres.



# European Institutions could I

- Grant access to digital tools
- Be more flexible on mobility activities and also open up some COVID-19 situation-suited grants
- To create an emergency line for helping youth organizations to make activities and make ends meet for their beneficiaries
- Special grants for covering administrative costs and ensuring the operation of the local NGOs.
- To provide assistance to youth workers, educators, which are usually working on a freelance based statuses
- Financial support with the unexpected loss of revenue - especially allocating more working days for the projects which got extended or events got postponed



# European Institutions could II

- Provide advocacy support and research on the changes youth faces during the pandemic.
- Flexibility regarding current projects funded by the EYF.
- Provide digital resources to improve communication with participants of youth organisations
- Encourage digital youth work activities/ including developing tools



# 3 clear messages

1. Need for support locally/regionally
2. Address the digital gap
3. Need for sustainability (on the NGOs side)