

YOUTH POLICIES





Determination

• "Youth policy is a strategy implemented by public authorities with a view to providing young people with opportunities and experiences that support their successful integration into society and enable them to be active and responsible members of their societies, as well as agents of change."

CORE AREAS



• The EU Youth Strategy focuses on three of action, around the three words:,,, while working on joined-up implementation across sectors.

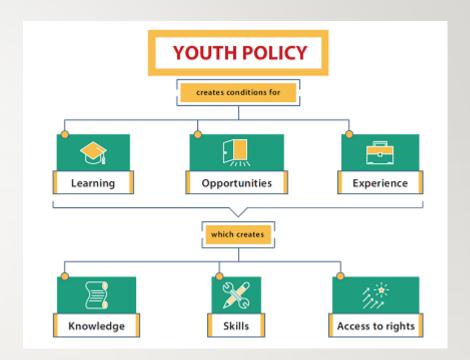




Empower

EU YOUTH STRATEGY

- The EU Youth Strategy is the framework for EU youth policy cooperation for 2019-2027, based on the Council Resolution of 26 November 2018.
- EU youth cooperation shall make the most of youth policy's potential. It fosters youth participation in democratic life; it also supports social and civic engagement and aims to ensure that all young people have the necessary resources to take part in society.



- The EU developed an EU Youth Strategy and wants young people to engage and become an active citizen involved in democracy and society.
- We want young people to tell us what is important to them by taking part in the EU Youth Dialogue.



The EU Youth Strategy should contribute to realising this vision of young people by mobilising EU level policy instruments as well as actions at national, regional and local level by all stakeholders.

Connecting EU with Youth

Employment for All

Equality of All Genders

Quality Learning

Inclusive Societies

Space and Participation for All

Information & Constructive

Sustainable Green Europe

Dialogue

Youth Organisations & European

Mental Health & Wellbeing

ProgrammesQuality

Moving Rural Youth Forward

ENGAGE

• With "Engage" the EU Youth Strategy aims towards a meaningful civic, economic, social, cultural and political participation of young people.

Member States and the European Commission are invited to:

- Encourage and promote inclusive democratic participation of all young people in society and democratic processes;
- Actively engage young people, youth organisations and other organisers of youth work in policies affecting the lives of young people on all levels;
- Support youth representations at local, regional and national level, recognising young people's right to participate and self-organise;
- Support and convey the EU Youth Dialogue in order to include diverse voices of young people in decision-making processes on all levels;
- Foster the development of citizenship competencies, through citizenship education and learning strategies;
- Support and develop opportunities for 'learning to participate', raising interest in participatory actions and helping young people to prepare for participation;
- Explore and promote the use of innovative and alternative forms of democratic participation e.g. digital democracy tools.

- EU Youth Dialogue
- Erasmus+ programme
- European Solidarity Corps
- Salto Resource Centers



Connect

- Young people in Europe are getting more and more connected.
- Connections, relations and exchange of experience are a pivotal asset for solidarity and the future development of the European Union.
- This connection is best fostered through different forms of mobility.



Member States and the European Commission are invited to:

- Enable access for all young people and youth workers to cross-border mobility opportunities, including volunteering, by eliminating obstacles and implementing support measures with special attention to young people with fewer opportunities;
- Encourage young people's engagement in solidarity, promoting support schemes and seek complementarity and synergies between EU funding instruments and national, regional and local schemes;
- Actively engage young people and youth organisations in the design, implementation and evaluation of relevant EU funding programmes;
- Share best practices and further work on effective systems for validation and recognition of skills and competencies gained through non-formal and informal learning, including solidarity and volunteering activities, continuing the implementation of the 2012 Council Recommendation on the validation of non-formal and informal learning

EMPOWER

- Empowerment of young people means encouraging them to take charge of their own lives.
- Today, young people across Europe are facing diverse challenges and youth work in all its forms can serve as a catalyst for empowerment.



Member States and the European Commission are invited to:

- Develop and implement a European Youth Work Agenda for quality, innovation and recognition of youth work;
- Support quality youth work development on all levels, including policy development in the field, training for youth workers, the establishment of legal frameworks and sufficient allocation of resources;
- Support youth work activities, including grassroots, and recognise youth organisations as providers of competences development and social inclusion through youth work and non-formal education activities;
- Create and further develop easily accessible youth contact points that deliver a wide range of services and/or provide youth information.

The National Youth Strategy (2021-2030)Strategic priorities

- 1: Promotion of informal learning;
- 2: Promoting employment and support for young people not in education, employment or training (NEETs);
- 3: Promoting the engagement, participation and empowerment of young people;
- 4: Development and strengthening of youth work on a national scale;
- 5: Connectivity, tolerance and European belonging;
- 6: Promotion of a healthy and nature-saving lifestyle;
- 7: Promotion of culture and creativity among young people.

THE YOUTH ACT

• The Youth Act defines state youth policy as "targeted and consistent activity of the state, municipalities, youth organizations and society, which aims to create favorable conditions for full personal development of young people and their participation in the public and economic life, as well as their inclusion in the management of local, regional and national level through activities promoting the development of youth in the country."