



MEANINGFUL YOUTH POLITICAL PARTICIPATION

CHECK OUT THE PUBLICATION



"POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IS ANY ACTIVITY THAT SHAPES, AFFECTS OR INVOLVES THE POLITICAL SPHERE"

CONVENTIONAL



EUROPEAN YEAR OF YOUTH

UNCONVENTIONAL

My motivation to participate depends on equal treatment & the opportunity to be heard and make an impact.

RIGHTS

2019

77%

2021

87%

NO OF YOUNG PEOPLE ENGAGED IN POLITICAL MOVEMENTS, PARTIES, UNIONS, VOLUNTEERING, STRIKES OR PROTESTS

OK, BUT... WHY DO THEY?



Each of us must shape our own views on democracy, while being in contact with its general definition

HOW DO WE DEFINE IT?

WHAT IS IT?

WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE CAN DO, ACTUALLY?

Would European democracies exist without young people?



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DEMOCRACY IS NOT A SPONTANEOUS ORDER OF THINGS. AND TRUSTING IT ISN'T A ONE-WAY STREET...

FRESH, DIVERSE & LONG-TERM VIEWS

AIMS OF YOUTH PARTICIPATION

- DEVELOPMENT
- RIGHTS-BASED
- EMPOWERMENT
- EFFICIENCY



#EUROPEAN YEAR OF YOUTH
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ALMA YOUTH PANELS
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MENTAL HEALTH
YOUTH GUARANTEE



DEMOCRACY

VIEWS
CONCERNS
PERSPECTIVE
KNOWLEDGE
CREATIVITY

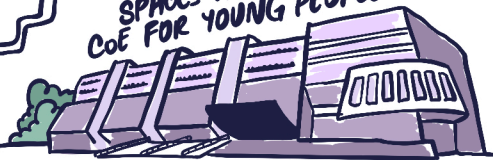


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Without young people, there is no democracy.

CO-MANAGEMENT

SPACES WITHIN COE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



TWO YOUTH CENTERS:

- BUDAPEST &
- STRASBOURG

PROPER INSTITUTIONAL SET-UP (INCLUSIVE & OPEN)

There are diverse forms of youth participation, and we should think of them as CUMULATIVE, rather than alternatives

... and more to come!



TRUST DEMOCRACY

WHAT IS NEEDED:

- MATERIAL & NON MATERIAL SUPPORT
- POWER SHARING
- AUTHORITY & VOICE
- TRANSPARENCY & ACCOUNTABILITY
- OPEN COMMUNICATION CHANNELS BETWEEN YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULTS.

Campaign:



THE INDIVISIBILITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS OUR STEPPING STONE

Youth Partnership

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

