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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Europa-Forum Wachau BePart

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Project Information

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Topics Awareness about the European Union ; Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; European identity, citizenship and values

Project Summary

Objectives

One of the primary goals of the Europa-Forum Wachau event is to bring together different young Europeans. The focus should be on the opinion of all parties and also generations, which is why it is even nicer that so many young people make the journey to Austria every year.

In addition, there are also strategic objectives regarding youth participation, which are strongly linked to the Erasmus+ application:

- Youth policy is a cross-cutting issue and therefore has to be part of all future perspectives - hence the participation of international young people
- "Rejuvenate and dust off" EFW and get more weight in the public - WinWin through youth participation.
- Reach a broader public - larger community, especially on social media, as well.

Linking young and old with institutions

- Let youth have their say at eye level
- Being a testimonial / influencer for the EU / offensive civic activities / offensive civic participation.

Without this Erasmus+ funding, it would be possible to let young people participate in the Europa-Forum Wachau, but it would not be possible to achieve the high diversity of nations, personalities, and diversity of personal backgrounds and socializations. Economy and diplomacy are endowed with money, the Youth are not - so funds are needed to finance the travel of the youth. The Erasmus+ application is the guarantee for a colorful diversity of nations and youth at the Europa-Forum Wachau and is understood as co-financing, so that the interest group "youth" can have a say in all future topics. Without an approval of this application, the project could not be designed to this extent.

Activities

Seventy young Europeans are expected at the Europa Forum Wachau. Most of the participants attend a European university or still go to school. When selecting the participants, special attention will be paid to ensuring that the gender ratio is balanced. Furthermore, the participants have very different families of origin and were therefore socialized in a very heterogeneous way.

The event lasts four days and takes place mainly at Stift Göttweig and at the University of Krems. The activities range from discussion rounds to short pitch presentations by the participants. The focus is always on the exchange of opinions and the change of perspectives of the participants.

Impact

The goals of the event can be roughly divided into four categories.

The personal development and further education in different topics around politics, economy, research, media etc. of the participants, insight into regional and international processes, intercultural and social learning experiences.

The European idea will be in the fokus during the entire event and strengthened by the gathering of Europeans (and also international guests).

Above all, digital and interactive tools will be used and thus reflect the current zeitgeist.

In the "Forderungspaper" the results (the paper will be formulated in cooperation with the University of Krems) of

the three-day Europe-Forum Wachau will be noted and afterwards brought and presented to a few of Brussels' decision makers.

The event should serve as a food for thought, an opener for new perspectives, a help to break up old thought patterns and creation of space for discussion.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Nicht alltaglich - Junge Menschen mit und ohne Beeintrachtung produzieren einen Dokumentarfilm ber die Herausforderungen fr beeintrachtigte Jugendliche in Schule und Arbeitswelt

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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EC Contribution 59,955 EUR

Partners Verein Down-Syndrom sterreich (AT)

Topics Disabilities ; Youth employability ; Promotion of alternative forms of participation

Project Summary

Objectives

Our project is an inclusive youth project. We address young people with media and social interests and, above all, young people with mental disabilities. We would like to present their (not) everyday life in the areas of education and work in a professional documentary, which is produced by the young people themselves under the guidance of journalists and with professional television equipment. It is important that the needs, criticism and suggestions of the young people are developed, shot and presented from their own point of view. This documentary will be realized over a period of two years in several workshops (training, shooting, editing) and will be shown in at least two film presentations in Salzburg and Upper Austria as well as published on a streaming platform. There and also at a kick-off event, media and stakeholders will be invited for discussions. The long-term goal is to create more awareness among the population and political stakeholders of the actual problems and wishes of young people with disabilities and to adopt their suggestions for improvement. The film should provide clarification and perhaps also become a basis of decision-making for institutions and stakeholders.

Activities

The project consists of a total of 20 activities, getting to know each other, workshops with journalists and filmmakers on all aspects of filmmaking (journalistic know-how, camera technology, filming, editing, moderation, interview training, presentation, dealing with digital media in the field of film and planning as well as conducting film presentations with discussions, where media and stakeholders are also invited). Finally, an excursion to Upper Austria with a visit to the Ars electronica Museum is on the agenda. In addition, the exchange and inclusive work of young people with (two-thirds) and without (one-third) impairments is promoted, as well as the exchange of people with disabilities from different Austrian regions.

The core group (8 young people) consists of young Salzburgers from different backgrounds with whom the project idea was developed together (between 13 - 26 years), plus at least 6 participants from Upper Austria, Tyrol and Styria, who were informed and invited by the participating associations Down Syndrome Austria and Society for Holistic Therapy Linz as well as the association Einstieg Ausbildungsfit in Saalfelden. In the group there are pupils, students, apprentices and workers and during the 2-years-project at least 10 other young people with disabilities will be involved in the filming and giving interviews at various institutions (Arcushof, special school, training fit). A total of eight young people from both groups have already come into contact with cinematic work within the framework of the Lern.Film.Studio and would now like to get even more involved and they have massively co-initiated this project. Some of them already have experience as young journalists and have already been in various meetings with stakeholders.

Impact

Our concrete result - namely a publicly consumable documentary film - is a way for young people to articulate their problems and wishes and make them visible to a broad public as well as political stakeholders. The need for action as well as concrete proposals are developed and shown from the perspective of those who are affected. A documentary film with accompanying discussion events is an attractive tool that can serve as a basis for discussion in the long term. Both sides can benefit greatly from the inclusive "buddy system" that arises when young people with and without disabilities work together, and we are sure that friendships will develop. In the film especially the young people who are affected (and their families) will be given the opportunity to comment on the greatest challenges and opportunities of their everyday life. This should lead Austria on a better path to inclusion. At the same time, the project aims to show how people with disabilities can work creatively and

productively and that this works very well in an inclusive group with other young people as well as with journalists/filmmakers. During this process, ALL participants build up competence in the media sector as well as in the external appearance and social relationships, which will be useful to them in their future lives. This is done through intensive training by experts and the professional environment (cameras, studio, editing laboratory) in which they can work here. A realistic and media-effective presentation of "How am I doing in everyday life" by people with disabilities themselves promotes a broader public awareness. The direct exchange with political leaders should also serve as a basis for further discussions and decisions with stakeholders.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

My body (in) vision!

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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End Date Jan 31, 2024

EC Contribution 12,500 EUR

Topics Digital safety ; Promoting gender equality ; Democracy and inclusive democratic participation

Project Summary

Objectives

The project "My body (in) vision!" provides broad-based and preventive information about the dangers of sexual harassment and assault in everyday life, at work and on the Internet. The project relies on tools such as emancipation, empowerment and participation so that young people become aware of their rights and learn to demand them. Since social media is a reality for many people, we want to focus on strengthening the digital and media skills of young women and girls. In this way, we want to encourage women and girls to recognize sexism on the Internet and to critically evaluate sexualized content where appropriate. Nevertheless, we also want to use the potential of social media for empowering work by standing up against sexism on the Internet and sharing content with the participants.

Activities

The project "My body (in) vision!" works on different levels by creating various spaces for exchange - on the one hand 'real' activities take place in the form of workshops, on the other hand the project creates 'digital' in the form of a comprehensive online platform, a resource that will be available to young people even after the official duration of the project. At the heart of "My body (in) vision!" is the work and exploration with and about the body as well as through different media. Through exercises from contemporary dance and theater, scores are developed in which the young people physically experience and learn how to act in a challenging situation. Participants learn new ways to express themselves clearly and LOUDLY through different (artistic) media - dance, theater, writing, video. In the project "My body (in) vision!" 25 girls and women, between 16 and 30 years can participate.

Impact

The project "My body (in) vision!" strengthens girls' and young women's self-confidence and encourages them to actively defend themselves against boundary violations. The project provides young women with a safe framework for learning and practicing self-worth, self-efficacy, and also vulnerability in playful encounters with others. In this way, they learn to reflect on their own actions as well as the actions of the group and to develop understanding for one another. Through dance, theater and text, participants can slip into different roles in order to become aware of their own abilities and competencies. Together we analyze representations of women's roles and femininity on the Internet. In this way, we gain more digital competencies and skills to consciously utilize information. Mbiv also emancipates participants by teaching them how to lead a self-determined life and participate in society without fear.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Steh für was Österreich

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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Topics Awareness about the European Union ; Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Youth policy development

Project Summary

Objectives

With the campaign and the activities it contains, we want to reach 1,000 young people in Austria. Of these, more than 330 in the activities that we specified under "Project Design" and the remaining 670 in activities that we are also planning, such as road information stands and other workshops. The qualitative part of the report runs alongside on a Digital level, here we want to achieve a realistic number of 350 participants, since this part is structured in a similar way to a study. Part two of the report is the quantitative part and is based on the experiences of the activists and their activities.

The big goal is to collect the opinion of the youth and bring it into politics, as well as to help the youth to understand how political decisions are made and thus to activate, inspire and empower young people.

Activities

We are planning 12 activities (like written before), including 1 kickoff (online) and 1 final event (hybrid). We expect around 40 participants for the online event, 30 people for the hybrid course and another 30 digital participants.

5 workshops + subsequent discussion events in summer and 5 events in winter are planned. These are divided equally between the partners and thus the federal states in Austria, here 30 participants are planned for each activity.

The profile of the participants consists relatively simply of young people under 30. More precise target groups are not specified. We aim to reach as many young people as possible who have not already actively participated in the past.

Impact

The Stand for Something Austria project will have an impact at every political level. We want to give remote youth, fringe groups and young people a voice who otherwise have no voice. This vote is then given to municipalities, cities, the state parliaments and the members of the National Parliament. We want to make a contribution to the coalition negotiations in 2024. So that youth policy is on everyone's agenda.

For participants, we primarily want to make a contribution in build an understanding of politics and explain the political processes to the participants. We want to show young people that political decision-makers are also humans.

These different levels have a long-term impact on political acceptance within Austria and the European Union and are intended to break down prejudices and ensure that the population overcomes certain political divisions and finds one another.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Friedensprojekt Europa

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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EC Contribution 19,971 EUR

Topics Awareness about the European Union ; Cultural heritage ; Inter-regional cooperation

Project Summary

Objectives

The aims of our project are:

To bring the EU together with youth: We want to give young people aged 16-30 the opportunity to experience the European Union first hand and develop a deeper understanding of its structure, function and importance.

Promoting a sustainable, green Europe: We aim to raise awareness of environmental protection and sustainability by emphasising environmentally friendly practices in the project and highlighting the impact of climate change during the trip.

Promote information and constructive dialogue: Through workshops, discussions and visits to EU institutions in Strasbourg, we want to enable participants to actively engage in dialogue about the future of Europe and emphasise the importance of information and dialogue.

To shed light on Europe's chequered history: We would like participants to understand the historical significance and reconciliation between Germany and France in the context of Alsace.

The development of competences and learning outcomes: We aim for participants to develop and improve intercultural competences, environmental awareness, critical thinking and commitment to the EU during the project.

Our overall goal is to give young people the opportunity to actively participate in shaping Europe's future while experiencing historical, cultural and environmental aspects of the Alsace region.

Activities

We plan to implement a variety of activities to achieve our goals:

Workshops and preparation evenings: Over a period of six months, we will organise regular workshops and preparatory evenings to prepare participants for the topics of the trip. These are informal learning events where participants can deepen their knowledge about the EU, the Alsace region, environmental protection and the history of Europe and between Germany and France.

Trip to Strasbourg: The main activity will be the trip to Strasbourg, where participants will have the opportunity to visit the European Parliament and other EU institutions, meet decision-makers and take part in a cycling tour to explore the region's varied history and culture.

The number of participants involved is at least 25 for the trip. However, we aim to reach more people in total for the events leading up to it. Our aim is to attract a diverse group of young people who have an interest in the European Union, environmental protection and intercultural learning, and include both students and people who are working, job-seeking or otherwise in education.

Impact

We expect the following outcomes and impacts from our project:

Increased awareness of the EU: Participants will develop a deeper understanding of the structure, function and importance of the European Union.

Promotion of environmental awareness: By emphasising environmental protection during the project, participants will become more aware of sustainable practices and the impact of climate change.

Promoting intercultural understanding: Participants will have the opportunity to experience the cultural diversity of Alsace and better understand the history of Europe.

Promoting engagement with the EU: Through direct contact with EU institutions and decision-makers in Strasbourg, participants will be encouraged to actively participate in the European dialogue.

Developing key competences: Participants will improve their intercultural skills, environmental awareness, critical thinking and political participation skills.

Long-term impact: We hope that participants will continue to show interest in European affairs, engage in environmental protection and appreciate cultural diversity after the project.

Overall, we aim for our project to have a positive and lasting impact on the participants, empowering them to actively participate in shaping Europe's future and to advocate for environmental protection and cultural diversity.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals

Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

#DemokratieMachtSchule Roadshow

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Promotion of alternative forms of participation ; Reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers

Project Summary

Objectives

YEP aims to empower young people in Austria by promoting their participation in decision-making processes and enhancing their trust in the democratic system. The project will organize a roadshow across five Austrian cities to engage 500 young people in co-creation sessions using open innovation and speech methods. The project will take a non-formal learning approach and use non-traditional event locations to create a sense of community and a common goal of sustainable education. The project aims to foster a belief in young people that their voices matter and they can make a difference in shaping the future of their country.

Activities

The DMS Roadshow aims to involve 500 young people aged 14-20 from Austria in the development process of the "Education of the Future". To this end, five co-creation sessions will be held at different locations in the country, where participants can contribute ideas and suggestions. In mobilizing the participants, special attention will be paid to diversity. A special role in the project is played by the YEP Youth Advisory Board, consisting of eight young people who support the roadshow with their expertise and actively participate in the implementation of the events. The project is intended to help boost the confidence and self-esteem of young people and give them the skills they need to be active citizens in the future.

Impact

This project offers many opportunities for personal and professional development for both the organization itself and the young people involved. YEP will gain valuable experience in project management and event planning and receive feedback from participants to improve future participation projects and expand their network. The young people in the YEP Youth Advisory Board" can actively participate in the planning and implementation of the roadshow, contribute their own ideas and act as trainers and facilitators. The project builds the confidence and self-efficacy of all participating youth and demonstrates the credibility and effectiveness of the project by truly listening to the voices and needs of young people and bringing them into the political arena.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Schwerpunkt EU der Landesschülervertretung Oberösterreich

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

Identifier 2023-3-AT01-KA154-YOU-000172724
Start Date Feb 1, 2024
End Date Apr 30, 2024
EC Contribution 59,430 EUR
Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Awareness about the European Union ; Reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers

Project Summary

Objectives

At the national level, in Austria, young people are already taught a lot about democracy and institutions, as they have the opportunity to visit them through excursions and other outings. The European institutions are often neglected. For us it is therefore particularly important to create this possibility, so that the interest of the future of our society, thus the young people, in such essential topics is aroused.

Our goal with this project is to visit European institutions with many young people, so that they have the privilege not only to learn about the EU and democracy at a young age, but also to experience them at first hand in the heart of the European Union.

Activities

We want to organize different activities during our time in Brussels, among others we want to visit the Permanent Representation of Austria to the EU, also we want to have a fireside chat with politicians in order to get the politicians' point of view. But that's not all, we want to organize a guided tour through the European Parliament to get an insight into it, but we also want to visit the executive body of the Union, i.e. the EU Commission. However, apart from our Brussels trip, we also want to implement activities/projects related to the EU. One of these projects is our social media campaign, which we will release in March 2024. Among other things, we will also create a TikTok account where we will continuously publish videos and Instagram reels on the topics of digitalization, EU and media. A panel discussion on the topic of "European Elections" is also on our agenda, with approximately 200 students participating. Number and profile of participants in the Brussels trip we will be limited to 30 participants who will be in the age group of 16-25 and interested in European issues, political education and digitalization. We will also collect a letter of motivation from all participants, which will be evaluated by a special commission of the National Pupil Council.

Impact

We want the participants to take away a variety of interesting things from this Brussels trip, such as more knowledge about the EU, but also more general understanding about political systems and democracy. Apart from the Brussels trip, we are of course also planning that our projects on the topic of the European elections will strengthen the democratic thinking of the students. Of course, we are also planning projects on the topic of digitization. This year, we are also showing a special presence on social media on precisely those topics, such as the EU and the European elections.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

CoEUr 3 - Selbstbestimmung für junge Frauen und Männer

Project Coordinator

Organisation PatInnen für alle - Patenschaften für Kinder und Jugendliche in Familien und Fremdbetreuung sowie für unbegleitete minderjährige Flüchtlinge

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Project Information

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Start Date Jun 1, 2023

End Date Apr 30, 2024

EC Contribution 59,360 EUR

Partners ACTFORREF-ACTION INTERNATIONALE D'AIDE AUX REFUGIES (FR)

Topics Awareness about the European Union ; European identity, citizenship and values ; Human rights and rule of law

Project Summary

Objectives

"CoEUr - With all my heart for Europe" was developed by young people with a refugee background to introduce young refugees in Austria and France to the peace project Europe and the EU. The goal was and is the development of a European identity. The "CoEUr" project wants to strengthen young refugees, work with them to develop opportunities for actively participating in social and political life and organize opportunities together with them to meet political decision-makers in order to then discuss the previously developed topics and concerns on site can.

"CoEUr 3" focuses on the topic of "self-determination". Which factors influence us humans and thus control our thoughts and actions? What is the role of politics and what is the role of media reporting? To what extent can political engagement in a democracy influence coexistence, the life of people in a country for the benefit of all?

Activities

Face-toFace talks and encounters between young people with a refugee background and politicians and decision-makers in Austria and France with the aim of raising awareness of politics and Europe among the young participants and promoting political participation. Through these conversations and the exchange, the interlocutors can be offered contact with young people with and without refugee experience. The networking of young refugees in the transnational space contributes to the development of their European identity.

Foster political engagement of young people, including those who are not eligible to vote, by encouraging discussion of important political issues and social issues that young people care about.

Around 60 people will take part in these activities, although not all participants will attend every event. The target age range is between 14 and 30 years.

Impact

- The networking of young refugees in Austria and France as well as the supported exchange with local/regional politicians and youth councilors motivate young people to deal with Europe
- Promotion of democratic participation and participation in the political discourse of the participants
- Promoting trust in political institutions and actors
- Promotion of identification with Europe
- Awareness of the factors influencing people's self-determination, sensitization and the resulting tolerance of the needs of other people, and the emergence of political commitment
- Raising awareness among political decision-makers regarding the needs and issues of young refugees through personal contact and discussions
- A more differentiated perception of young people who have fled in the respective host society through public relations work via CoEUr 3

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Inklusiver Jugenddialog 2.0

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

Identifier 2023-3-AT01-KA154-YOU-000179367
Start Date Jan 1, 2024
End Date Dec 31, 2024
EC Contribution 59,801 EUR
Topics Reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers ; Disabilities ; Democracy and inclusive democratic participation

Project Summary

Objectives

The Austrian National Youth Council collaborates closely with partners in the implementation of the EU Youth Dialogue in Austria. The project supports the implementation of the 10th cycle, focused on the theme of 'Inclusive Societies.' The objective of the 'Inclusive Youth Dialogue' project is to empower young people for active political participation, create participation opportunities for youth and decision-makers, and continuously advance youth dialogue as an inclusive process. The achieved results are disseminated through direct dialogue or in collaboration with network partners at the regional, national, and European levels. This ensures that the project results are used effectively because they are closely connected to the National Working Group on Youth Participation and Youth Dialogue.

Activities

As part of the project, four activities are planned. The central element of the project is the 5th Austrian Youth Conference, scheduled to take place in Styria in June 2024, expected to bring together approximately 80 participants from all over Austria. During this three-day youth conference, young people will work intensively on the central theme of the youth dialogue, 'Inclusive Societies,' and engage in dialogue with regional council members and decision-makers at various levels. This helps young people to learn more about the workings of politics.

To ensure the process is as inclusive as possible, meetings of the Inclusion Advisory Board are also planned. One of these meetings will be held before the youth conference to specifically prepare young people with disabilities for the event. During this meeting, the main theme of the 10th cycle, 'Inclusive Societies,' will be extensively discussed, and participants will be asked for their views on necessary measures for an inclusive dialogue event. These perspectives will then be integrated into the further planning. The second meeting of the Inclusion Advisory Board is dedicated to evaluating the process for young people with disabilities. These results will then be incorporated into the planning of the 11th cycle.

Finally, a 'Closing Event' is planned, during which the results of the entire implementation phase will be presented to relevant decision-makers and the young people who participated in the activities.

Impact

The expected outcome of the project is a collection of demands and ideas from young people regarding the implementation of Youth Goal #3 "Inclusive Societies." Additionally, recommendations for an inclusive youth dialogue and inclusive participation projects, gathered during the 10th participation round, will be evaluated and further developed.

This project promotes a variety of competencies among the participants. It enhances and solidifies social and intercultural competencies, civic competencies, as well as competencies in the field of political education for the participants. Through the project, participants have the opportunity to gain insights into political processes at various levels, thereby expanding their understanding of democracy and political procedures. This is intended to lead to increased motivation for further engagement.

The foundation of the project is to implement and disseminate the Youth Goals. This aims to create a strong

connection to young people and their needs while simultaneously serving as an inspiring example of sustainable youth participation. As a result of the project, the experiences of young people should become more comprehensible for decision-makers.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

YOUNG IDENTITIES - Making visible how pluralism is the basis for a healthy European democracy

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

Identifier 2022-3-AT01-KA154-YOU-000103482

Start Date Jan 1, 2023

End Date Nov 30, 2024

EC Contribution 58,995 EUR

Partners Youth Initiative for Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA) , Presseclub Salzburg (AT)

Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Information and communication technologies (ICT) ; Media literacy and tackling disinformation

Project Summary

Objectives

In order to be able to successfully do youth work, one must get to know the actual wishes and needs of the young people in a direct low-level exchange with them. Young people must be given ways and means to reflect on them and subsequently express them and make them understandable to a broad public. If young people do not feel appreciated and understood by adults (and decisionmakers), they are not willing to participate and enrich the society. And although the voting age (e.g. in Austria) has been lowered in recent years, at the same time the gap of understanding between the generations - very much due to the rapid developments of the digital sector - gets bigger and bigger. At the same time, trust in politics and stakeholders is falling dramatically, especially among young people.

The project has four main focuses:

Awareness: What are my true identities? (there is always more than one) We explore through workshop and circular dialogue as well as the joint discussions and workshops. Question why my identities are important and welcome in a European democracy?

Visualization: Empowerment to make these identified identities comprehensible and visible to adults in a professional manner (accompanied by journalists, filmmakers and youth workers) by means of film and exhibition. The tools, knowledge and equipment for this media-effective visualization will be given to them in the workshops.

Comparison: How do my identities compare to young people from another European country that looks back on a common historical connection but has developed very differently within society? Where do they stand in European comparison?

Position: I play this important role with my identities within a European democratic society and so I want to be perceived by decision-makers and a broad public! If young people have recognized their valuable input to society now and in the future as independent young adult people, they are much more willing to make a contribution to social integration and participation, to strengthen the common welfare or even be part of local and regional politics. This will be tested in the stakeholder discussions contained in the project.

Activities

List of activities attached - All activities will be done as named regardless of the Budget-limit of 60.000.-€

Core group Austria: 15, pupils, Students, apprentices with different social backgrounds between 15 and 25 years

Core group Bosnia: Currently 6 pupils and students, human rights activists with the express wish to involve 4 more young people from different ethnic backgrounds

Impact

AWARENESS: Enabling young people in interactive exchange and under guidance to find their own identity and their role within a European democracy and to make them aware of its value. To convey the view of the youth to adults in a comprehensible and easily consumable way and thus to achieve respect for their views and their work

KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER: Through cooperation with professional journalists and filmmakers, the aim is to inform the young people in an exciting, practical and creative way about the active use of digital (film) media, a critical-reflexive use of media and the underlying technology/framework conditions (workshops to promote media competence at various levels with active and professional film processing).

EMPOWERMENT: Young people will be offered an audiovisual stage and enabled to prepare, reflect on and present topics that move them – that make up and influence their identities – in a professional manner (via film

documentaries, streaming platform, interactive exhibition/presentation and discussions with stakeholders but also with each other, online + analogue).

Link to project card: [Show project card](#)

Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Europa-Forum Wachau Reebot

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Project Information

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EC Contribution 41,232 EUR
Partners Center for Support Organisations (BA) , ASSEMBLEE DES REGIONS D'EUROPE ASSOCIATION (FR) , MENDELOVA UNIVERZITA V BRNE (CZ) , Én Kint Egyesület a Békéért és Fejlődésért (HU) , Mestská časť Bratislava - Staré Mesto (SK) , ASSOCIACAO EDUCATIVA NACIONAL DE INCLUSAO E INOVAÇÃO NAS ESCOLAS (PT) , Klub Alpbach Hrvatska (Club Alpbach Croatia) (HR) , Asociatia Smart City Brasov (RO) , Auszubildenden & Schüler Union in Bayern e.V. (DE) , Verein zur Förderung der niederösterreichischen Landesschülervertretung (AT)
Topics European identity, citizenship and values ; Awareness about the European Union ; Democracy and inclusive democratic participation

Project Summary

Objectives

The main aim of the Europa-Forum Wachau event in Göttweig, as well as the newly implemented preparatory meeting in Bratislava, is to bring together young Europeans from different backgrounds. The focus should be on the opinions of everyone involved, regardless of their generation. It is therefore all the more gratifying that many young people find their way to the events every year.

In addition, there are strategic goals related to youth participation that are closely linked to the Erasmus+ application:

- Youth policy is a cross-sectional matter and must therefore be included in all future prospects - hence the participation of international young people
- "Rejuvenate the EFW" and gain more weight in the public eye - WinWin through the participation of young people
- Reach a wider public – larger community, especially on social media, as well Linking young and old with national and international institutions
- Let the youth be part at eye level
- Testimonial / being an influencer for the EU / offensive citizen activities / offensive citizen participation

Without Erasmus+ funding it would be possible to allow young people to take part in the Europa-Forum Wachau, but it would not be possible to reach the high diversity of nations, personalities and different social backgrounds. Business and diplomacy have financial resources, but youth does not. Funds are therefore required to finance the young people's travel costs. The Erasmus+ application guarantees a diverse range of nations and young people at the Europa-Forum Wachau and is seen as co-financing so that the "Youth" interest group can have a say in all future topics. Without the approval of this application, the project could not be designed to this extent. With the newly implemented preparation weekend, we want to make the young people even more familiar with the respective topics, increase the quality of the event and promote inclusion in the discussions.

Activities

Before the main event starts in June, another get-to-know-you and networking meeting is planned in Bratislava. During the preparatory weekend, young people are actively made aware of democratic processes using a simulation game. Among other things, the young people gain insights into the preparation of political proposals and how they are submitted and defended. The developed applications will be presented in presentations to an international, top-class audience at the Europa-Forum Wachau at Göttweig. During this meeting, the focus is primarily on exchange, strengthening bonds and working on relevant topics together.

40 young Europeans are expected at the Europa-Forum Wachau and the preparatory weekend ahead. Most of the participants attend a European university or are still at school; a few are already firmly integrated into everyday work. When selecting participants, particular attention is paid to ensuring that the gender ratio is balanced. Furthermore, the participants have a wide variety of cultural backgrounds, as well as families of origin, and were therefore socialized very heterogeneously.

The Europa-Forum Wachau lasts four days and takes place largely at Göttweig and the University for Continuing

Education Krems. At the forum, outstanding personalities from politics, business, culture, media and diplomacy address the necessary developments within the European Union and illuminate important European visions for the future. The focus is always on exchanging opinions and changing perspectives among participants.

Impact

- The Europa-Forum Wachau provides an opportunity to network with other organizations and individuals from various parts of the EU
- It initiates intercultural learning processes
- Youth from different European countries gather, with a focus on the EU
- The youth practice various skills, such as their ability to engage in discussions
- The Youth Dialogue enables young participants to be part of an international diplomatic forum and express their opinions
- The Europa-Forum Wachau aims to create opportunities for encounters with political decision-makers
- It promotes an understanding of international political structures
- Youth actively shape youth policy and engage in communication with decision-makers on an equal footing
- The Europa-Forum Wachau is designed to open up new personal perspectives and boost the confidence of young participants

Link to project card: [Show project card](#)

Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

EuroVibe - Die europäische Politik erkunden

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

Identifier 2023-3-AT01-KA154-YOU-000172013
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End Date Sep 30, 2025
EC Contribution 59,934 EUR
Topics Awareness about the European Union ; European identity, citizenship and values ; Media literacy and tackling disinformation

Project Summary

Objectives

"The goals of our project are closely aligned with the fundamental principles and values of JEF Steiermark. Through the implementation of this project, we aim to achieve the following main objectives:

Promotion of Participation and Empowerment: We want to ensure that young people can take an active role in all areas of life and at all levels. This means fostering and encouraging their ability to participate and have a say in society.

Promotion of Tolerance, Peace, and Understanding: We are committed to strengthening young people's understanding of tolerance, peace, and understanding. This is achieved by creating educational and discussion opportunities that contribute to the promotion of these values.

Promotion of Social, Political, Environmental, and Developmental Engagement: Our project aims to develop and promote the engagement of young people in these critical areas. We provide education and discussion platforms to raise their awareness of these issues.

Active Participation in Social, Political, and Cultural Life: We want to encourage and empower young people to actively participate in social, political, and cultural life in Austria, Europe, and the world.

Promotion of Initiative, Independence, and Creativity: Our work aims to support the personal development of young people by fostering their capacity for independence and creativity.

Key Competence Development: We place great emphasis on imparting key competencies to young people. These skills are crucial for their personal and professional development.

Advocacy for Humanistic Values: We actively advocate for fundamental human rights, tolerance, freedom, equal opportunities, social justice, democracy, solidarity, environmental awareness, and humanitarian and developmental actions, and the dissemination of these values in society.

Active Efforts Against Discrimination and Hatred: We actively combat racism, homophobia, xenophobia, Islamophobia, antisemitism, and any form of hatred and violence. Our projects and activities are aimed at rejecting and combating such discrimination and expressions of hatred.

Promotion of Political Education and Democracy: Our organization promotes political education among young people and contributes to their ability to critically evaluate political decisions and recognize threats to our democratic systems.

Promotion of Peace: We are a peace movement committed to the idea of peace education and peacekeeping. Our activities contribute to promoting a peaceful Europe and a peaceful world.

In summary, with this project, we aim to empower young people in Styria and beyond to become active, democratic, and engaged citizens who carry the values of humanism, peace, and tolerance into the world and advocate for a more just and democratic society."

Activities

For our European Mondays, we have set a goal to achieve an average attendance of at least 12 young participants per event. For our Europa-Brunches, we expect 20 young participants. In the case of our Europa-Forums, we have a capacity for 40 young participants, and we aim to fully utilize this capacity

Impact

Increased Youth Engagement: We expect to see a higher level of youth engagement and participation in our European Mondays, Europa-Brunches, and Europa-Forums. Our target attendance numbers reflect our commitment to involving young people in discussions and activities related to European and political topics.

Enhanced Understanding of European Issues: Through our events, we anticipate that participants will gain a better understanding of European issues, including political, social, environmental, and developmental concerns. This increased awareness can lead to informed and active citizenship.

Promotion of Tolerance and Peace: By fostering discussions and dialogues on topics such as tolerance, peace, and understanding, we aim to promote these values among young participants. This can contribute to a more inclusive and harmonious society.

Development of Key Competencies: We believe that our project will help young people develop key competencies, including critical thinking, communication skills, and the ability to engage in civil discourse. These competencies are vital for personal and professional growth.

Empowerment of Youth: Our project seeks to empower young people to take on active roles in their communities and in society at large. This empowerment can lead to increased self-confidence and the ability to drive positive change.

Capacity Building: In the case of Europa-Forums, we plan to fully utilize our capacity of 50 youth participants. This will allow us to reach a larger number of young people and have a more significant impact on their awareness and engagement with European issues.

In summary, our project aims to achieve increased youth engagement, promote tolerance and peace, develop key competencies, empower young people, and fully utilize our event capacities to reach and educate as many young participants as possible about European and political matters.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Mitmischen & Aufmischen - Unsere Gemeinde, unser Projekt!

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Project Information

Identifier 2023-3-AT01-KA154-YOU-000184605
Start Date Jan 1, 2024
End Date Oct 31, 2024
EC Contribution 43,060 EUR
Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Key competences development ; Reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers

Project Summary

Objectives

In this project, students starting from the 11th grade receive background knowledge about politics at the local, regional, national, and EU levels. "Getting Involved and Stirring Things Up" means giving young people more voice and involvement in community life, encouraging them to become active themselves. The project consists of three phases:

- Acquiring background knowledge about the democratic system.
- Familiarizing themselves with various political levels.
- Developing projects in their home communities.

In Phase 1, young people receive background knowledge about our democratic system through workshops. In the next step, they learn about the different political levels through visits to their local community, the Salzburg regional parliament, as well as the Austrian Parliament and Federal Chancellery in Vienna. They are allowed to ask questions to political representatives, enabling them to engage in discussions and exchanges with politicians on an equal footing. They gain practical experience in Phase 3 by developing projects in their respective home communities in groups. Municipal politics and, above all, the interaction between community leaders and young people are emphasized. Active participation is not only allowed but also encouraged! The community projects are professionally supported and further developed by the community. The process of generating and implementing ideas is guided by experts. Due to three upcoming elections in Salzburg in 2024, the main focus of the project is participation and how to engage with one's community representatives in order to actively shape and improve community life.

Through active participation, especially in their home community (community projects), they should experience participation and involvement in their own environment. Basically, we want to show them what participation can look like and that co-determination is an essential part of our democracy. The participants will be supported in the elaboration of a concept and thus receive competencies in project management and organization. By working out their projects independently, they take on responsibility and at the same time actively contribute to community life. The Youth Goals and youth strategies (EU and Austria) also play an important role. In addition to the young people, politicians and decision-makers should also become aware of the importance of these strategies.

Through workshops and the project days in the municipal office, state parliament, parliament, federal chancellery, etc., the participants acquire knowledge about the democratic structures and the political system in Austria.

Dialogues with decision-makers are a continuous thread that can be found on all levels.

Activities

PLANNED ACTIVITIES:

Preparatory workshops on "EU & Democracy - part 1", "EU & Democracy - part 1" and "Active Participation".

Preparatory coaching on project development, organization and project flow

Ongoing support: assistance / coaching community projects

Regional municipal days: visit to the municipal office / dialogue with the mayor

Salzburg Day: discussion with state politicians

Activity 1: Vienna Days; discussion with state politicians, visit of the Austrian Parliament and Federal Chancellery in Vienna

Activity 3: Closing Event/Award for the best groups

Follow-up: reflection and feedback / final report Erasmus + / factsheet

Activity 2: Trip to Brussels (Award for the best community projects), Visit of EU institutions

PARTICIPANTS: 50 - 70 young people from Pongau and Flachgau (Land Salzburg) - Age group: 16-20 years - we want to reach participants with different family, religious, geographical and social backgrounds. The age group was deliberately chosen at the young voting age.

Impact

The project will give the young people an insight into democratic processes and politics at various levels. They deal with democratic decision-making processes and learn where they can contribute and have a say (participatory skills). The accompanying expertise in the workshops gives an overview of the political system in Europe (starting with your own municipality, through state politics, federal politics to the EU) and insights into economic forms that are successfully lived in communities. During the elaboration and conception of their own projects in their home community, joint decisions have to be made. In doing so, social skills are promoted. In addition, the participants acquire knowledge of project management and organizational skills. This includes, among other things, brainstorming, consultation with the project partners, discussion culture and time management. They also learn what public relations (e.g. on social media) can look like. The region should be strengthened through the voluntary commitment of the young people (in cooperation with decision-makers and mentors). A basis for further joint activities is created, especially in the respective project communities, from which other actors can benefit in the future. In addition, politicians, decision-makers and project partners experience committed young people and thus experience the importance of involving young people in political processes. This also shows the great importance of the Youth Goals and youth strategies.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

ICH MACH MIT! Partizipation lernen - Demokratie gestalten! Ein Jugendbeteiligungsprojekt in St. Andrä-Wördern/NÖ schafft in Kooperation zwischen Lokalpolitik und offener Jugendarbeit nachhaltige Dialogräume und implementiert Jugendpartizipation.

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

Identifier 2023-1-AT01-KA154-YOU-000137117
Start Date Jun 1, 2023
End Date Feb 28, 2025
EC Contribution 55,500 EUR
Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Promotion of alternative forms of participation ; Bridging intercultural, intergenerational and social divide

Project Summary

Objectives

Our objective is the creation of a longterm framework for suitable youth participation formats in our municipality. This is achieved by close cooperation between community policy, MachMit! e.V. as expert for youth participation and professional youth work as a representative of young peoples' interests in the municipality. With diverse measures in their different environments (school, union, youth center) young people are enabled to learn involvement and experience participation. The main activity is a youth parliament and the execution of a project carried out by young people and facilitated by the community policy. The annual recurrence of the youth parliament as well as the formation of a youth advisory council is to be achieved by the end of this project. Thus we aim to implement youth participation and shape democratic processes in our municipality.

Activities

We plan to implement the following activities: regular meetings between community policy/youth council and youth work, an extensive evaluation of youth work in regard to participation (quality dialog), routine opportunities for participation in the youth center (JUZ-sessions), democracy-event-days in school, unions and youth work, implementation of the first youth parliament in St. Andrä-Wördern, project workshops and the execution of a youth project, formation of a youth advisory council, election simulation at the youth center.

We will reach about 500 young participants between 14-25 years, students, users of the youth center and members of the different unions. Through festivities, events and smaller activities as well as infocampaigns we will reach up to 1000 people, faculty, youth workers, group leaders, interested families and citizens. We will cooperate closely with representatives of the municipality.

Impact

For the first time young people of St. Andrä-Wördern are able to engage in and implement a participative project. The young participants experience self-efficacy and experience participation in their living environment as something significant and also fun. This positive experience of everybody involved in this pilot project is expected to enable the annual implementation of a budget for youth participation projects within the municipality. Youth participation is expected to be incorporated in community policy due to the formation of a youth advisory council. The fundamental evaluation in the youth center in regard to participation impacts and secures the quality in youth work, the project acts as best practise and learning experience and gained knowledge is transferred to other municipalities and institutions of youth work. The constructive cooperation between youth work and community policy sets the cornerstone for shaping the community together in the future.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Golden Wheel: Using Creative Industry and Applied Arts to Establish New Skills and Increase Employability of Youth with Disabilities

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Project Information

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Partners Uluslararası Omurilik Felçlileri Dernegi (TR)
Topics Disabilities ; Youth employability ; Creativity, arts and culture

Project Summary

Objectives

Young people with physical disabilities identify their biggest needs as: same access to job market for all and expressing personal talents by respecting ones' specific abilities within open and inclusive society.

With this, 3 distinctive objectives of Golden Wheel Project have been identified:

1. Establishing new skills and knowledge through non-formal and informal learning methods (such as: peer-to-peer learning, creative workshops, group, and individual work, etc.) chosen carefully to fit the needs, abilities, and interests of the target group in question,
2. Increasing employability potential of the target group by introducing them to easily applicable, practical, and creative methods to develop one's talents, and
3. Initiating community engagement and securing topic visibility by organising Final Exhibit open to wider population and establishing permanent, inclusive, and accessible 'Golden Wheel Class' within MOVEO in Vienna in a form of workshop for interested individuals.

Activities

The activities foreseen within Golden Wheel Project are divided in 3 categories:

1. Creative Workshop as a unique peer-to-peer learning opportunity (involving 5 young people of mixed abilities from Austria and 5 young people of mixed abilities from Turkey, 2 of which are trainers in glass frameworking),
2. Frameworking Study Group as an innovative hybrid, learning-by-doing activity (involving 10 young people of mixed abilities from Austria (5) and Turkey (5, 2 of which are trainers) including work therapists, social workers, and youth workers who can easily implement learned in their work and therapy),
3. Organising Final Exhibit as an interdisciplinary event that will help in networking with local and European stakeholders and decision makers and establish 'Golden Wheel Class' in Vienna as a permanent workshop within MOVEO open for individuals interested in learning glass frameworking and lampworking craftsmanship (involving all participants on the Project and interested public).

Impact

Golden Wheel Project will be considered successful when, after 10 months of joint work, following results can be recorded and measured:

- 5 young people of mixed ability from Austria have been trained to work and operate glass frameworking lamps,
- 8-10 young people from Austria and Turkey including work therapists and social workers have been taught to use the non-formal methodology learned in their work and therapy,
- Wider population in Austria has been informed about the possibilities of informal learning method such as glass frameworking craftsmanship and its practical usage.

The impact the Project is trying to make is:

- Local & regional: promotion of non-formal learning methods to engage marginalized members of the community in creative work,
- National & EU: encouraging cross-border peer-to-peer learning to efficiently exchange knowledge and create network of like-minded individuals that can ignite bottom-up initiatives targeting decision makers to actively work on inclusion.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Salzburger Jugendlandtag 2023. Demokratie braucht dein Engagement!

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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End Date May 31, 2024
EC Contribution 25,500 EUR
Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers ; Key competences development

Project Summary

Objectives

What is the youth parliament? The youth parliament consists of a group (approx. 50, aged 16 to 20) of randomly selected young people from the state of Salzburg. When selecting them, care is taken to ensure that they are largely representative of the population in terms of characteristics such as place of residence, age, gender, education and income. During the application weekend (simulates work in specialist committees), these randomly selected people deal with specific issues and develop applications that are passed on to politicians (decision-makers) in the form of resolutions after the sessionday. The project enables all participants to engage intensively with the Youth Goals. The Salzburg Youth Parliament contributes to the further development of youth dialogue and its implementation at regional level.

Goals

- 1) Participation
- 2) Dialogue
- 3) Empowerment

Activities

GENERAL: By participating in the project, young people should experience participation, gain a deeper understanding of politics and recognize democratic-political contexts.

- 1: Democracy workshop on politics and the nature of democracy to gain knowledge about the further project steps.
- 2: Petition weekend: In this project phase, the participants spend two days developing their petitions in 5 thematic groups on which the youth goals are based. In addition, they prepare the questions for the "Question Time" for the members of the state government.
- 3: On the day of the meeting, the participants present their petitions, debate them and vote on them

DESCRIPTION OF PARTICIPANTS

The project is aimed at around 50 young people aged 16 to 20 from the state of Salzburg who are randomly selected. The opportunity to participate (regardless of gender, social background, impairment, place of residence, etc.) is the same for all young people.

Impact

- 1) The immediate results are the processed petitions and resolutions, which are subsequently checked for their feasibility by the competent departments of the Salzburg state government and subsequently by the petitions committee of the state parliament.
- 2) The participants get to know the youth dialogue and the associated youth goals and are subsequently encouraged to take part in other activities (youth conferences, etc.) in the area of participation and commitment.
- 3) Expanding skills: Social skills are strengthened. The way the young people are selected creates encounters between groups of people from different social, cultural and geographical backgrounds. This strengthens the understanding for other circumstances and interests. These diverging interests are the basis for political decision-making processes.
- 4) The participants gain experience in the areas of politics and project management.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Jugend für Europa - Bewusstseinsbildung für die Europawahlen

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

Identifier 2023-1-AT01-KA154-YOU-000124744

Start Date Jun 1, 2023

End Date Jun 30, 2024

EC Contribution 59,987 EUR

Topics Reaching the policy level/dialogue with decision makers ; Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Awareness about the European Union

Project Summary

Objectives

Europe plays only a minor role in the work of youth organizations. Only a few organizations are using the Erasmus+ program or the European Solidarity Corps. With our Youth Participation Activity in the run-up to the European elections in 2024, we want to change that. Together with our member organizations, we as the Styrian Regional Youth Council will implement ten different activities to make the European Union more tangible for young people and youth workers. Therefore, we enter into dialogue with decision makers, enable young people to bring in their concerns and interests, take a look behind the scenes of the EU institutions in Brussels and the federal capital Vienna and inform young people about the European elections and democratic processes. Our goal is to increase the voter turnout of young people and to provide them with reliable information for their election decision.

Activities

Young people and youth volunteers will have a say in the composition of the European Parliament. The project starts with a workshop focusing on the construction of identities. At the Europa-Forum Neumarkt young people will meet decision makers and engage in dialogue. The EU Youth Dialogue is the topic of a workshop for young people preparing for an excursion to Brussels. A one-day excursion to Vienna will focus on connecting with the official EU election campaign and the Youth Dialogue in Austria. Within a following workshop the young people involved will reflect on the excursions and plan follow-up measures. Three workshops on the European elections and a discussion event with candidates will be organized to inform young people about the European Union and to enable them to discuss their concerns and interests with politicians. More than 200 young people will be reached by the Youth Participation Activity.

Impact

The project has a positive impact on young people and youth work. Ten different activities are implemented in the run-up to the European elections and attract public attention. In Brussels and Vienna, young people get an insight into the work of democratic institutions. In workshops and follow-up activities, the participants pass on their knowledge to other young people of the same age. They engage themselves voluntarily to put Europe in the spotlight. In doing so, they acquire knowledge, skills and competences in a non-formal way. Critical thinking and literacy competence are promoted. Young people's concerns and interests - including the EU Youth Goals - are discussed with politicians at local, regional, national and European level. The awareness of the European Union and the pro-European attitude of all persons involved and participating will be strengthened. We expect the project to have a positive impact on voter turnout.

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

Project Title

Jugend debattiert im Mostviertel zur Teilnahme an politischen Entscheidungsprozessen

Project Coordinator

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Project Information

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Start Date Jun 1, 2023
End Date Sep 30, 2024
EC Contribution 19,048 EUR
Topics Democracy and inclusive democratic participation ; Environment and climate change ; Promotion of alternative forms of participation

Project Summary

Objectives

The project aims to introduce a new method of integrating young people in political municipal decision-making processes by means of debating techniques according to international rules. This way, certain skills such as rhetoric, discipline in discussion, critical opinion formation, appropriate investigation, and teamwork in workshops, seminars, lectures, and practical exercises in debating culture are conveyed.

The aim is the making up of a „young intermediate level“ between problem and discussion in municipal bodies by means of dealing with recent issues in pro and contra argumentations from the point of view of politically independent, unbiased young people.

Activities

One-day and multi-day workshops are held, where the participants learn the craft of debate and discussion through specialist lectures and practical exercises. It is about acquiring language skills as well as preparing the content for dealing with the respective topics. For this purpose, excursions are also carried out in order to obtain information, depending on the topic, which enables fact-based argumentation in the debate. In the cities of Amstetten, Melk and Ybbs, the young people taking part debate in front of the local political decision-makers who have specified the topics. About 60 young people between the ages of 16 and 20 with a special interest in politics and democracy, take part. The big final event in the Ybbser Stadthalle in front of an audience serves to disseminate the project results sustainably among the population of the Mostviertel region.

Impact

The project aims to provide the participants with learning content such as debate and discussion culture, rhetoric, opinion-forming, research work, follow-up work, public relations work in workshops and seminars under professional supervision.

The results of the PRO and CONTRA debates on a municipal or school political issue are incorporated into the political decision-making process and are perceived by the decision-makers, which should lead to a critical examination of the decisions by the young people in the meetings of the municipal council or school community committee.

A desired effect of the project would be the installation of debating clubs in the respective schools, which are informed by the participating students about the project results (passing on of the acquired know-how to the classmates)

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Key Action: Learning Mobility of Individuals
Action Type: Youth participation activities

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Project Summary

Objectives

The eljub dialogue has been organized by the association p&s melk since 2015 with the support of Erasmus + and in cooperation with the Lower Austrian State Youth Department. In terms of content, it was previously closely linked to the eljub e-book week and the associated publication of texts by young people on topics of our time and enabled them to participate in local dialogues in various European countries or at an annual dialogue conference with all country partners in Krems der Donau to present their ideas and wishes to decision-makers from the youth sector, to exchange ideas with them and to try out the political argumentation and feasibility of ideas and wishes in a professional setting.

Two insights have emerged over the years. On the one hand, it is important for young people to exchange ideas with decision-makers at regional, national and European level about issues that come from themselves. On the other hand, it is important for them to gain positive access to the European idea and the EU in the special setting of the multinational eljub dialogue events and to gain experience with regard to the political feasibility of youth issues. In 2021, eljub was awarded the European Youth Prize by the European Parliament. After a discussion process with the eljub partners in nine European countries and involving young people from these countries who have experienced eljub and are particularly interested in a European dialogue, the eljub dialogue has now been further developed and significantly renewed. A new focus is planned for 2023 and 2024, a further development of the methods, the involvement of young people in the planning and implementation of the activities, the integration of the eljub dialogue in the European youth dialogue, so that the results can be disseminated in the structured dialogue, important visits by the European Parliament in Brussels and associated workshops with decision-makers at EU level and a reference to the eljub dialogue conferences in Wiener Neustadt/ Austria.

The eljub dialogue thus brings a special aspect to the fore, namely the question of how the EU can be brought to the attention of young people. The young participants experience the complex interrelationships of European action and mediation work through the media, for example in questions such as: How do I get information about what is decided in the EU institutions? How do I recognize quality media and solid reporting? How do I recognize fake news? The different choice and kind of information in the articles of different media will also be a topic, as well as possible reasons for this differences. The young people gain experience with these topics and competencies, in the spirit of 21st Century Skills, and then present them to other young people and decision-makers at the local, regional and national level in the eljub dialogue conferences in Lower Austria, which have already been successfully organized.

The following Erasmus + program priorities are the basis of all eljub activities, here in particular the eljub dialogue (all levels of the project are based on this):

- Young people from all partner countries are involved in all project phases in brainstorming and designing the program
- The eljub dialogue focuses on the integration of young people with refugee and migration backgrounds (cooperation with ORF project "Sag's Multi")
- The events are organized according to the principles of environmental friendliness and sustainable practices
- Video conferences, social media communication, online tools (magazine, blog, video) on the eljub.eu website are an integrated part of the project practice

The following European Youth Goals have been included in the topic setting:

#1 Bringing the EU together with youth

#4 Information and constructive dialogue - workshops dealing critically with the media

#10 A Sustainable, Green Europe - Through Action: Environmental Sustainability: Eco-Friendliness and Green Practices

Activities

The activity plan is strongly based on the experiences of past eljub dialogues as well as the experiences of the European youth dialogue (communication with the federal youth representation). The planning, implementation, execution, communication and follow-up of the eljub dialogue is characterized by the criteria of professional action and the participation of young people in all project stages, who have a say and learn how to act professionally.

Young people involved in the application, planning, implementation and follow-up of the eljub dialogue: 25 (from 7 project partner countries). You have already taken part in eljub events and been particularly committed to them; are interested in setting up Erasmus + projects themselves.

2 events in Brussels 2023 and 2024:

28 young people between the ages of 16 and 19 from all project partner countries take part.

2 events in Austria in 2023 and 2024

29 young people between the ages of 16 and 19 from all project partner countries take part.

Selection and supervision procedure: The young people fill out the application form, with which they explain in writing their motivation for taking part. If a young person is invited to take part in the eljub dialogue, the country partner organization responsible for them takes over the support.

At the beginning there are video conferences, in which the project is discussed in terms of its topicality and in the fine-tuning of its planned activities and little necessary adjustments are made. These video conferences, in which the young people involved and the leaders of the country groups take part, are a tool that is used again and again before and after the planned events. They represent a framework for the organization, project development and the communication of the project results.

The encounter and the workshops with decision-makers from the EU level to the local level are central project highlights. The methods used, such as speed dating or World Cafe, have been successfully tested at eljub and are used contextually and variably.

Events in 2023 and 2024 in the European Parliament (alternatively, if the economic development requires it over the winter) in the EU House in Vienna are the starting point: here the young participants get to know the practice of a European institution, its efforts towards transparency and communication of political work, also the situation of the media, which provide information throughout Europe.

Workshop program:

Workshop Youth Goal #1 Bringing the EU together with youth. How does the EU work together with the national states? / Meeting with EU decision-makers

Workshop Youth Goal #4 Information and constructive dialogue: Media work of the EU institutions - How is the information route from Brussels to "me"? / Meeting with media experts

Events 2023 and 2024 in Austria: eljub dialogue conferences - further developed and changed to the new program, based on the eljub dialogue conferences that have been successfully organized since 2015. Here

young people who were in Brussels report on their experiences, meet a number of other young people from Lower Austria and decision-makers at local, regional and national level to discuss their experiences and ideas. Workshops Youth Goal #1 Bringing the EU together with youth and additional focus
Workshop European Youth Goal #10 A sustainable, green Europe – through action: what do we learn from the trip to Brussels?
Additional input from the youth dialogue via the federal youth representation.

The result orientation of the eljub dialogue is very important - selected young people record and comment on the events, topics and developments in writing.

Impact

- 1) The young participants learn social skills as well as a constructive, appreciative culture of argumentation and discussion in transnational groups, which they can refine by meeting decision-makers in the context of political/public action. Everything is challenged even more in this context: working together in international teams, teamwork, dealing constructively with linguistic and cultural differences, finding one's way in an unfamiliar environment, being considerate of others, working in a group. Impetus for personal initiatives for international networking.
- 2) They learn skills in youth politics: constructive, result-oriented discussion of the issues and their feasibility. Ultimately political action. The decision-makers in Brussels and in Wiener Neustadt hear suggestions from young people on how their political participation can be promoted.
- 3) Knowledge competences: Function and practice of youth policy. The young people should gain knowledge and understanding of political issues, handling and processes.
- 4) European awareness and the ability to express oneself. The workshops should also encourage long-term participation by young people in political processes.
- 5) Media literacy: Ability to recognize quality media, examine fake news for truthfulness, generally be able to track and understand the path and possible changes in information. Investigate how differently different media report and also question that.
- 6) Reports from young people that are forwarded to the Structured Dialogue (BJV). By forwarding new ideas and project outlines that arise in the eljub dialogue to the Structured Dialogue, this ultimately enriches the European youth strategy.

There are essentially three target groups to which the results of the eljub dialogue conferences are directed. Accordingly, the measures for disseminating the project results are broken down into:

1. Political decision-makers: Communiqués that are sent in cooperation with the Lower Austrian State Youth Council and the BJV to offices and officials at regional, national and European level or are made public through classic press work.
2. Stakeholders such as youth organisations, youth exchanges, youth initiatives: blogs and discussions on the website www.eljub.eu respectively. Facebook, Instagram, newsletter.
3. eljub young people: the project results are disseminated in the various project partner countries with print and web publications.
4. Interested public: Reporting and archiving of project presentations on OKTO TV.

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