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TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A CHANGE

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Dear EYE participants,

Welcome to the heart of European democracy! I am very happy that you want to be present to discuss and develop your ideas at the European Youth Event – EYE.

Today we are in urgent need of new ideas for Europe. The European Union faces bigger challenges than ever: the refugee crisis, increasing nationalism, the economic and monetary union that still needs to be finished, a possible exit of the UK from the EU and the danger from terrorism are only some of the most pressing problems.

It would be dangerous to think that there are no alternatives to the EU. There is one. It is a Europe of nationalisms, of borders and walls, a Europe of antagonism and egoism. A Europe of less prosperity, less security, less freedom and less cooperation. And now we have come dangerously close to this alternative, as for the first time in history the failure of this grand idea and incomparable success story is unfortunately a realistic scenario.

Everyone who puts our common project in jeopardy puts in jeopardy the future of coming generations. It is thanks especially to young, active people like you that I believe in the future of Europe. With your contribution to a vibrant European democracy, you will make the difference in the future. This leaves me optimistic regarding the huge tasks ahead of us.

So thank you very much for your interest in European politics and the European Parliament – an exciting, multilingual, unique political institution. And the European Youth Event will be equally international and multilingual. My wish for you all is to have fun, hold interesting discussions, come up with many good ideas and enjoy your experience here in Strasbourg.

Mr Martin Schulz,
President of the European Parliament
Dear participants,

Thank you for accepting the European Parliament’s invitation to participate in the second edition of the European Youth Event (EYE).

The EYE 2016 brings together young people from the 28 EU Member States and beyond in the European Parliament. It will be a unique opportunity for you to engage in workshops, debates and many other activities with your peers and with decision-makers. We want to listen to YOU! Your ideas will serve as a source of inspiration for Members of the European Parliament and will be discussed in several parliamentary committees in the autumn.

The EYE 2016 aims to:

- give you the opportunity to present and discuss ideas on how to make a change in Europe with fellow participants and with European decision-makers;
- encourage discussion and debate on hot topics and future European policies;
- give you an opportunity to stage cultural performances and showcase cultural diversity in Europe.

On behalf of the European Parliament, we would like to thank our EYE partners and all the youth groups contributing to the event.

You are all invited to get involved in the many indoor and outdoor activities on offer during EYE 2016.

We are looking forward to meeting you in Strasbourg.

Ms Mairead McGuinness and Ms Sylvie Guillaume, 
Vice-Presidents of the European Parliament
Dear Young Europeans,

I am very happy to welcome you to the seat of the European Parliament. Given the success of the first edition of the EYE – EYE2014, the President and Vice-Presidents decided to invite all of you to a second edition on 20 to 21 May 2016, for an exciting weekend of ideas, debate and encounters.

The European Parliament has organised the event with the help of 11 partners, notably the European Youth Forum, to help ensure that the EYE is not only an event for young people, but is also organised with young people.

The EYE is a unique event. It brings together young people from all backgrounds and from all over the European Union. Politicians, scientists, artists, entrepreneurs, academics and other experts have come here to listen to your ideas and join in your discussions.

The EYE 2016 will include a wide variety of activities, focusing on five main themes:

- **War and Peace**: Perspectives for a Peaceful Planet
- **Apathy or Participation**: Agenda for a Vibrant Democracy
- **Exclusion or Access**: Crackdown on Youth Unemployment
- **Stagnation or Innovation**: Tomorrow’s World of Work
- **Collapse or Success**: New Ways for a Sustainable Europe

The EYE motto is “Together we can make a change”: the future of the EU belongs to you, the younger generation. This weekend you have the opportunity to contribute to shaping it. I wish you all a successful and enjoyable weekend!

Mr Klaus Welle,
Secretary-General of the European Parliament
Programme Overview

Friday, 20 May 2016

10:00 - 10:30 Opening Ceremony

11:00 - 13:00 Opening Plenary Session in the hemicycle of the European Parliament

11:00 - 18:30 Debates, talks, hearings, idea labs, digital games and workshops organised by the European Parliament in cooperation with EYE partners and youth groups

10:30 - 18:30 YO!Village: political debates, interactive workshops, live music, artistic performances, games and educational activities, organised by the European Youth Forum

20:00 - 22:00 EYE in the city: Mix Art - Mix Europe: welcome event organised by the City of Strasbourg

Saturday, 21 May 2016

10:00 - 18:00 Debates, talks, hearings, ideas labs, digital games and workshops organised by the European Parliament in cooperation with EYE partners and youth groups

10:00 - 19:30 YO!Village: political debates, interactive workshops, live music, artistic performances, games and educational activities, organised by the European Youth Forum

18:00 - 19:30 Closing Plenary Session in the hemicycle of the European Parliament

19:30 - 00:00 Free open-air concert organised by the European Youth Forum
Come together

**Code: hello**

**Opening ceremony: Hello**

A 30-minute festive moment to begin the EYE2016 together. In the presence of the President of the European Parliament, the President of the European Youth Forum and the Mayor of Strasbourg.

*Welcome messages and artistic performances*

**Code: Pchange**

**The future of Europe: Together we can make a change**

Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament, discusses hot issues and the future of Europe with young people.

*Opening Plenary Session*

**Code: Phead**

**A head full of ideas**

Young people present and discuss the best ideas with Vice-Presidents of the European Parliament in the hemicycle.

*Closing Plenary Session*
Evening programme

EYE in the city: Mix Art – Mix Europe

During this year’s European Youth Event, the city of Strasbourg has the pleasure of inviting you to an exceptional evening, in the heart of the city. This event will feature the famous graffiti artist “Seen” from New York and is comprised of around fifteen European graffiti artists and musicians. By bringing together graphical and musical experience from all genres, this tailor-made concert will offer you a unique experience at EYE2016.

Open air concert and street art

Organised by the City of Strasbourg, in cooperation with the associations Ariana and Passages

Code: live

YO!Fest at the EYE: Live music for youth opinion

The YO!Fest does not end as the sun goes down! Join thousands of EYE participants as well as hundreds of local young people for a spectacular open-air concert featuring Balkan Beat Box. The politically engaged band – described by music critics as “a global peace-keeping mission you can dance to” – will make you groove until the late hours to their Mediterranean-inflected electronica sound.

Run in partnership by the European Youth Forum and Jeunesses Musicales International (JMI), the Emerging Bands Contest is a unique opportunity for young European bands to showcase their talent and kick-start a professional musical career. The winners will open the concert and set the tone for a festive closing celebration.

Open-air concert

Organised by the European Youth Forum
The YO!Fest at the EYE

Day, Time: Friday, 10:30-18:30
Saturday, 10:00-19:30
(open to all participants without booking)

The programme will not stop at the doors of the European Parliament! The European Youth Forum will bring its YO!Fest (“Youth Opinion” Festival) to the EYE, unleashing young people’s powers of expression and creativity by combining politics, culture, education and fun in a multicultural festival atmosphere.

The YO!Fest is a vibrant, interactive space for young people to meet, discuss and create with each other and with EU decision-makers. Co-created for young people by young people, it will include:

- Political debates and interactive workshops
- Live music, theatre, dance and circus performances
- Games and educational activities

The YO!Village, located just in front of the European Parliament, will be a space to learn, share and interact. It will be built around five thematic hubs on the main EYE themes. Each hub will cluster youth and civil society organisations, working together to offer an exciting and innovative programme.

Make sure you save some time for activities in the YO!Village during the EYE! There will be plenty to join on the spot, with no pre-registration necessary. This is just a glimpse of the many other surprises waiting for you in the YO!Village:

- Join a game or quiz, test your knowledge on youth rights and learn how to protect them
- Take part in the “Sustainable Development Goals treasure hunt” and win eco-friendly prizes
- Pass by the chill-out area dedicated to health and well-being
- Borrow a human “book” in the Living Library and challenge yourself to better understand groups facing discrimination
- Catch a documentary screening and debate the issues brought up in the film
- Enjoy one of the open-air circus, dance or theatre performances
- Hang out in the cosy coffee area and grab a cup of fair trade coffee or local juice made of “wonky apples” to avoid food waste
Key activity formats

The EYE will offer a wide variety of activities that need to be booked in advance. These will be carried out in the following formats:

- **Debate:** Address an issue in a polarised way and challenge participants with clear pros and cons.

- **Digital Games:** Participants will play digital games related to the EYE themes. Gaming will be followed by a discussion on the specific topic.

- **Discussion:** Deal with complex subjects and shed light on many viewpoints and angles rather than just two opposing positions regarding a topic.

- **Hearing:** Experts or young stakeholders affected by the subject of the activity present their cases or arguments from different angles (3-5 min), and then have a discussion with participants.

- **Ideas check:** In this new quick-fire format, devised especially for the EYE event, young people will bounce their ideas and proposals off political leaders, who will have two minutes to respond.

- **Ideas Lab:** What could or should be changed in today's world? Participants take the role of young advisors to Members of the European Parliament responsible for a new legislation. Young Europeans decide both on the agenda for discussion and their concrete proposals for change, before (online) and during the EYE.

- **Question time:** Top-level speakers take and answer participants’ questions on their positions, actions and ideas.

- **Talk:** In a more informal ambience, the focus here lies more on personal stories, views, experiences and ideas than on official policies and statements.

- **Workshops:** Interactive, more hands-on or specialised activities in smaller groups.
Activity codes

The codes you will find in front of every activity title are easy to “decode” once you know what the different parts of the code stand for:

The first two letters indicate under which of the five main themes the activity falls:
- **WP** for War and Peace
- **AP** for Apathy or Participation
- **YU** for Youth Unemployment
- **TW** for Tomorrow World of Work
- **SU** for Sustainability

The third letter indicates the booking category of the activity:
- **P** for Panels in the Plenary chamber (Hemicycle) of which each participant can book only one
- **A** for the Activities of which each participant can book two
- **C** for Culture and arts for change
I. War and Peace: Perspectives for a peaceful planet

“Mama, life had just begun. But now I’ve gone and thrown it all away”.

Freddy Mercury (Bohemian Rhapsody)

**Migration: Across the Universe**

Millions of refugees and migrants come to Europe in search of a safe haven and a better life. Keep them out or take them in? What should the spirit and the major components of a new European migration and asylum policy be? Legal aliens or new citizens: how can host societies improve the integration of new citizens? How is migration changing Europe?

*Idea check*

**Europe – a global player for peace?**

Are we Europeans stuck in our own problems or should we assume greater responsibility worldwide? How can the European Union speak with one voice, take common action and reach out to people in need or danger? Should we envisage more forceful or more humanitarian engagement – more guns or more roses for the world?

*Question time*

**Holy books, horrific bloodshed?**

Messages of love and hate in the name of God: what is the role of religion in our open society? Should state and religion be strictly separated in all European countries? Can religion ever justify violence or does it contribute to tolerance and respect for human rights? How can young people help to build understanding and a sense of community between people of different faiths and origins?

*Debate*
Cyberattacks: Visible danger, invisible enemy

Cyberattacks are a new and growing danger to states, companies and citizens. How can Europe fight cyber criminals and terrorists? Can democratic control keep pace with technological innovation?

Code: WPACyber

Day, Time: Friday, 14:30-16:00
Venue: LOW R5.1, 190 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Destination “Holy war” – roundtrip

An alarming number of young Europeans – boys and girls – are leaving their families, having been lured by messages glorifying jihad and the creation of a new Islamic state. What can be done to break this fatal attraction? Why is the Internet a focal point for recruitment? How can we prevent Europeans from joining extremists abroad and from returning eager to stage attacks back home? How can we give young people of different origins a sense of belonging, perspective and value as citizens of Europe?

Code: WPADestination

Day, Time: Friday, 14:00-15:30
Venue: LOW N1.2, 140 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

EU-Russia Relations: Breaking bad…

…or keeping the door open for peace? Living next door to Russia and Ukraine: what does it take for EU countries to be good neighbours in bad times? What is the situation and perspective of young people caught up in this conflict? The EU between tough response and soft power.

Code: WPARussia

Day, Time: Saturday, 15:00-16:30
Venue: LOW N1.3, 190 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Human rights: Heroes of our time

Each year, the European Parliament awards each year the Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought to courageous people who fight for human rights across the globe. Sakharov Prize winners tell their stories and share their experiences.

Code: WPPHeroes

Day, Time: Friday, 13:00-15:00
Venue: Hemicycle, 900 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE
Kidnap and ransom

Kidnapping is a brutal means of fundraising for criminals and terrorists. Victims include growing numbers of women and children. Should European states negotiate with kidnappers? Should governments refuse to pay ransoms?

Debate

We are not afraid!

Kalashnikovs vs democracy: what is Europe’s answer to terrorist attacks and organised crime? How do we shape democratic life in the space between courage and caution, freedom and security in Europe?

Examples:
- Free movement across the continent or a return to border controls and security checks?
- More surveillance to tackle terror or strict respect for private communication?
- New ways of protecting the lives and human rights of people inside and outside of Europe?

You take the role of a young advisor to a Member of the European Parliament responsible for new legislation. Your ideas set the agenda! The Ideas lab starts online with your contributions from 10th March on www.eye-ideaslab.eu.

Ideas lab

“Papers, please!”

The digital game “Papers, please” offers players the role of an immigration inspector at a border checkpoint: a nerve-wracking game that may change your attitude towards immigrants.

Digital game and discussion

Organised in cooperation with Arte and Games for Change Europe
**Partner and youth activities and workshops**

**Code:** WPAwelcome

### Are refugees welcome?

How do we deal with the refugee crisis? Is there a right way? What problems do immigrants face entering Europe and starting a new life? How can the EU benefit from immigration? Debate your ideas for an improved European migration policy together with politicians, experts in the field and young refugees!

*Panel debate*
Organised by the European Confederation of independent Trade Unions (CESI Youth), the Deutscher Bundesjugendring (DBJR) and the Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG)

**Code:** WPAmeet

### Meet young refugees

Hear experiences and thoughts directly from young refugees living in Europe, seize the opportunity to talk directly with refugees in small groups on a variety of issues. How does it feel to be a refugee in Europe? What challenges do refugees face in accessing education and employment? What can we do to support their inclusion in and contribution to society?

*Talk and speed briefing*
Organised by the European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions (CESI Youth), the Deutscher Bundesjugendring (DBJR), and the European Students Union (ESU)

**Code:** WPApassages

### “Passages”

What does it mean to be a refugee? What challenges do refugees face on the way to their new lives? What does the future hold for refugees? Participate in this simulation game and look at the crisis from a new angle. Discuss the roles and responsibilities of youth organisations and young people in the refugee crisis.

*Simulation game*
Organised by the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM), the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), and the National Youth Council, Portugal (CNJ)
Voices of refugees

Hear the voices of refugees captured in this fascinating new documentary. Featuring interviews with asylum seekers coming to Europe, it was filmed on location across Europe, including the island of Lesbos, the Balkan route and a refugee camp in Brussels.

Documentary screening followed by a discussion with the authors
Organised by the European Youth Forum

Religious and political extremism:
A gentle drift or a tidal wave?

Are young people becoming more and more extreme? Is the youth of today more easily attracted by extreme viewpoints or is an unrepresentative minority getting disproportionate attention? Does extremism really represent the threat to society the media and politicians claim it does? Come and debate the root causes and challenges and possible strategies to create inclusive and democratic societies with representatives from party political youth organisations.

Panel debate
Organised by the European Youth Forum in cooperation with party political youth organisations

Faith and belief – a puzzle of humanity

How does religion affect politics, communication and our daily lives? How does religion interfere with human interaction? How can inter-religious dialogue help to create peace at community level? Come and discuss these issues and consider the role of young people in contributing to inter-faith dialogue.

Workshop
Organised by the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and the European Student’s Union (ESU)
**Code: WPAspeech**

**Freedom of (hate) speech?**

The Internet is full of hate. Do we have a responsibility to protect and defend other users of the online space? How can freedom of expression and protection from hate speech go hand in hand? Is more regulation or more encouragement needed to combat hate speech? Discuss these issues and more with representatives of the Council of Europe’s No Hate Speech Movement and Twitter.

*Workshop*

Organised by the No Hate Speech campaign of the Council of Europe

**Day, Time:** Friday, 12:30-14:00  
**Venue:** LOW R5.1, 60 places  
**Language:** EN  
* This workshop will also be repeated in the YO!Village with registration on the spot. Check the daily programme of the thematic hubs

**Code: WPAbullying**

**Bullying: Not in my classroom!**

Have you ever been the victim of bullying? Or witnessed someone being bullied and not known how to react? One particularly frequent and brutal form is homophobic and transphobic bullying. When it happens in the classroom, it violates the basic right to education and can undermine educational achievements. Do you want to stand up against bullying in the educational sector? Join this interactive workshop and examine ways to prevent bullying and make the classroom a safe place for everyone.

*Workshop*

Organised by the Be the Change Initiative, MAG Jeunes, and La Station

**Day, Time:** Friday, 13:00-14:30  
**Venue:** Octagon, YO!Village, 50 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: WPAconnects**

**Discrimination divides, diversity connects**

What does it mean to be part of a minority in Europe today? Beyond the perspective of one single minority group, what are the intertwined forms of discrimination marginalising Europe’s diverse youth? A discussion, illustrated by examples and testimonies, of how young people and youth organisations are affected by and respond to multiple discrimination.

*Discussion*

Organised by the European Youth Forum, Phiren Amenca (Network of Roma and non-Roma volunteers and voluntary service organisations), and Youth of European nationalities (YEN)

**Day, Time:** Friday, 17:00-18:30  
**Venue:** Tipi, YO!Village, 120 places  
**Language:** EN


**Code: WFAminority**

**Minority report: A network of solidarity**

What are the core elements of integrating minorities in Europe? This workshop is organised by Roma, Armenian, Jewish and minority youth activists and youth organisations that have started to build a network of solidarity in the past year. The workshop raises a debate about the position, challenges, interests and potential of minorities in Europe to strengthen peace, solidarity and equality.

*Workshop*

Organised by the European Union of Jewish Students

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**Code: WFAroma**

**What’s happening, Europe? Participation and exclusion of young Roma**

What is antigypsyism and how does it affect the lives of young people? How can we increase the participation of young Roma and make their existing contribution visible? Join the discussion and explore strategic tools for participation and inclusion.

*Round table*

Organised by Phiren Amenca (network of Roma and non-Roma volunteers and voluntary service organisations)

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**Become an agent of positive change!**

How can young people take on a social leadership role in their communities? How can you, as an individual, trigger a lasting change of mindset and attitudes including a positive domino effect on those around you? Discover “Youth as agents of behavioural change”, the Red Cross and Red Crescent’s flagship initiative for promoting a culture of non-violence and peace. Empathy, active listening, critical thinking, non-judgement and non-violent communication are some of the main skills that the workshop will teach you.

*Workshops*

Organised by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
**Code: WPAagent1**

**Intercultural dialogue:** Prejudice, fear and exclusion. Is it really so? Come and experience how intercultural dialogue can help you open up your mind, respect diversity, encourage the respectful sharing of ideas and explore different thinking processes to achieve mutual understanding.

**Code: WPAagent2**

**Gender equality:** Gender-based stereotypes, discrimination and violence. Is it really so? Come and challenge your perception of social differences between men and women. Question unequal power relations in all aspects of society and learn how to promote gender equality and respect for diversity.

**Code: WPAclowns**

**Documentary: Send in the clowns**

Ciné ONU: How successful and effective are aid organisations in delivering lasting solutions and empowering victims of conflicts or natural disasters? What about the power of laughter to relieve stress and suffering in areas of crisis? The touching and humorous documentary tells the story of idealistic volunteer performers from the organisation “Clowns without Borders”. It captures their work in Haiti, both before and after the 2010 earthquake, and questions whether Haiti’s crippling and conflicted relationship with aid organisations is actually more absurd than sending in the clowns.

**Documentary screening and questions and answers**

Organised by the United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC)

**Code: WPAmho**

**Who will you make peace with?**

Actor turned film-maker Jeremy Gilley began his campaign for an annual day of ceasefire and non-violence in 1999. Working with politicians at the highest levels, celebrities and leaders of armed groups, he succeeded in establishing peace day and recording staggering reductions in levels of violence on peace day. Come and listen to Jeremy’s inspirational story and ask yourself “who will you make peace with?”

**Talk**

Organised by Peace One Day and the European Youth Forum

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**Day, Time:** Saturday, 13:30-14:30  
**Venue:** LOW N1.1, 35 places  
**Language:** EN

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 16:00-17:00  
**Venue:** Octagon, YO!Village, 35 places  
**Language:** EN

**Day, Time:** Friday, 15:30-17:30  
**Venue:** Boat, YO!Village, 70 places, limited accessibility  
**Language:** EN

**Day, Time:** Friday, 16:00-17:00  
**Venue:** Magic Mirror, YO!Village, 150 places  
**Language:** EN
Code: WPAreal

**RealTime World War One: An online time travel experience**

Peace is the greatest achievement of European integration. The European Union was built on the ruins of two world wars – wars of which our generation (luckily!) hardly understands the impact. With our Twitter project @RealTimeWW1, we want to use social media to convey a sense of omnipresent misery in wartime, and at the same time the value of peace.

**Workshop**

Organised by the Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen and the University of Luxembourg, European Charlemagne Youth Prize winner 2015

Day, Time: Friday, 16:00-17:30
Venue: LOW S4.5, 38 places
Language: EN

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Code: WPAfight

**Peace: We don’t want to fight no more**

Come with ideas, leave with concrete actions! It’s time to believe in youth’s potential and to start coordinating our powers for a sustainable and peaceful Europe. In this workshop we will share our perspectives on Franco-German reconciliation and the ongoing Balkan dialogue by presenting youth initiatives. Get inspired and let’s build creative, and powerful actions together.

**Workshop**

Organised by Young Thinkers# (France, Germany)

Day, Time: Saturday, 12:30-14:00
Venue: LOW N4.3, 60 places
Language: EN

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Code: WPAnegotiations

**Peace negotiations – a tough job**

This workshop offers a role-play game that imitates peace negotiations and will contribute to the discussion on how to make peace and resolve conflicts. Different scenarios will be presented in which participants learn to negotiate. We will also discuss ideas on how to empower youth in a peace process.

**Workshop**

Organised by the International Committee of Swedish Youth of Finland

Day, Time: Friday, 15:00-16:30
Venue: LOW N4.3, 50 places
Language: EN
**Code: WPA sanctions**

**Economic sanctions – effective action or punishing the poor?**

This workshop offers a Parliament simulation game in which participants will discuss sanctions as a foreign-policy tool of the European Union. With a special focus on the current situation in Ukraine and Russia, participants will discuss whether different kinds of sanctions against Russia should be maintained or stopped. Finally, the participants will draft a resolution that tries to give answers to the questions.

*Workshop*
Organised by European youth Parliament Finland

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**Code: WPA balance**

**Peace in Europe – an unstable balance?**

Can European mobility programmes help in the prevention of radicalisation of young people? Can they foster the development of a critical debate within society? Which lessons are to be learned from previous wars? How can peace education and active remembrance work be used in youth encounters?

In this workshop we will assess the peace prospects of the EU rather than taking peace for granted. We want to discuss how European mobility programmes can be used to spread peace values and thus foster equality, solidarity and constructive dialogue between different groups in society. Intercultural learning, the deconstruction of prejudices and the prevention of radicalisation tendencies can help fight against discrimination and exclusion – and thus for peace in Europe.

*Workshop*
Organised by the Office franco-allemand pour la jeunesse (OFAJ)

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**Code: WPA warnings**

**Warnings from history: Never again?**

The House of European History, a project of the European Parliament will soon open its doors. Join our workshop and let’s see what we can create together. This hands-on workshop invites you to put forward ideas on how historical events relating to war and peace may help our understanding about human rights and social justice today. Ideas to emerge from the session will stimulate thinking on the development of learning resources at the museum.

*Workshop*
Organised by the House of European History

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**Day, Time:** Friday, 13:00-14:30  
**Venue:** LOW N4.3, 55 places  
**Language:** EN

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 15:30-17:00  
**Venue:** LOW S4.5, 40 places  
**Languages:** FR, DE

**Day, Time:** Friday, 16:30-18:00  
**Venue:** LOW S2.3, 35 places  
**Language:** EN
**Code:** WPAborders

**Open borders or fortress Europe?**

Should internal and external borders in the European Union be open or controlled? Young Europeans living close to European borders tell their stories.

*Talk and discussion*

Organised by Fronterras – European (border)lines, 2nd Prize Winner of the 2015 European Charlemagne Youth prize

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 11:00-12:30

**Venue:** LOW S2.3, 35 places

**Language:** EN

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**Code:** WPAlourney

**A journey to tolerance: Words don’t come easy**

This workshop takes you on a journey to explore cultural diversity using body language. It aims to break down gender, cultural and social stereotypes through self-reflection, dialogue, theatre and performance. During this journey, you will learn active tolerance skills needed to live in a multicultural society in which conflicts between communities might be unavoidable.

*Workshop*

Organised by Rooftop Theatre Group (Cyprus)

**Day, Time:** Friday, 17:30-19:00

**Venue:** LOW S4.5, 40 places

**Language:** EN
YO!Fest partners in the hub
European Youth Forum | Deutscher Bundesjugendring | European Confederation of Independent Trade Unions Youth | European Federation for Intercultural Learning | Forum of European Muslim Youth and Student Organisations | National Youth Council Spain | No Hate Speech Movement | Phiren Amenca | Youth for Education and Understanding | Young Men’s Christian Association | Youth of European Nationalities | World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts | World Organisation of the Scout Movement | La Station / MAG Jeunes

What to expect in the hub?
From the refugee crisis to the impact of austerity on human rights, from education for peace-building to discovering forgotten conflicts, the “War and Peace” hub will explore a range of burning issues in a variety of innovative and interactive ways. Come to the hub, meet active and engaged young people and get involved. Try things out, taste new flavours and challenge yourself to see things differently!

- Try your hand at the rights game, learning about your rights and how to protect them,
- Meet the “no hate” panda and discuss ways to tackle online hate speech,
- Find out about the occupation of the Western Sahara and take part in the Saharawi tea ceremony,
- Learn about the status of LGBTI rights across Europe and how you can contribute to achieving equality,
- Take part in a role play and find out how it feels to face discrimination,
- Make your pledge to build a peaceful planet,
- Get creative and discuss the rights of young Roma people by making badges, painting banners and learning traditional dance.
II. Apathy or participation: Agenda for a vibrant democracy

“So I sat quietly, agreed politely. I guess that I forgot I had a choice.”

Katy Perry (Roar)

**Code: APAchoice**

**Democratic life: Remember we have a choice!**

I used to bite my tongue and hold my breath...now you hear my voice. Ready to push for democratic change? Which innovations for participation and active citizenship can change Europe for the better? Young people press “play” on democracy-boosting ideas.

*Ideas check*

Day, Time: Friday, 12:00-13:30  
Venue: LOW S1.4, 420 places  
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Code: APApower**

**Digital citizens: Connecting people to power**

How can online participation change laws in Europe? Is politics changing, are we seeing grassroots movements taking over? How can civil society organisations, citizens’ initiatives and petitions be linked to the Members of the European Parliament? Are new forms of direct democracy using online referenda the way forward? Can online voting boost voter turnout among young people? Social media – a platform for free speech or a tool for spying?

*Discussion*

Day, Time: Friday, 17:00-18:30  
Venue: LOW N1.4, 300 places  
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Code: APApool**

**Fun in the pool or riding the wave?**

The European Union is a model in which countries pool power and connect people. Should we dive deeper into this pool striving for an ever closer union? Or should we instead ride the European wave to get more value for money? European integration – running out of puff or ready for the “next big thing”?

*Debate*

Day, Time: Friday, 12:00-13:30  
Venue: LOW N1.3, 190 places  
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE
Code: A PGA goodbyе

“You say good-bye…and I say hello”
Out or in? Cut or connect? Breaking up – or better together? Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the European Union? Britain’s EU membership ahead of the referendum.

Debate

Code: A PGA winner

Social gap: The winner takes it all
Is the widening gap between the richest and the poorest people – a threat to democracy? One citizen, one vote – or can money and economic power influence political decisions? Parliaments and governments standing between the voice of citizens and the whisper of interest groups.

Discussion

Code: A PGA comedian

Don’t shoot…I’m only the comedian!
Enissa Amani is shaking up the comedy scene in Germany - and now in Europe. Her own experience as a refugee child and her life in two different cultures is the background for her spicy messages on stage.

Geoff Meade, British journalist with over 35 years’ experience of covering EU affairs is best known in Brussels for the annual Press Revue, an evening of comedy with songs and sketches about what’s happening in the EU.

Political comedy

Code: A PGA goldeneye

Golden eye: Who rules tomorrow’s Europe?
Democracy in times of big data mining. Is democratic control evaporating into the cloud? What data should be made available to governmental authorities and what should be kept private? Will internet giants and secret services take control of personal data and the life of citizens? Or will the European Parliament have the power to take decisions as guardian of the digital galaxy?

Talk
**Code: APAranking**

**Democracy ranking: Learning from the top countries**

What are the ingredients of a truly open and democratic society? Where are Member States and candidate countries placed on the global index? What can we learn from each other?

*Presentation and brainstorming*

**Code: APAonline**

**Human rights: The online pursuit of life, love and happiness**

A charter of human rights for the internet age. What are your proposals for citizens’ rights in the digital era?

You take the role of a young advisor of a Member of the European Parliament responsible for new legislation. Your ideas set the agenda! The Ideas lab starts online with your contributions from 10th March on www.eye-ideaslab.eu.

*Ideas lab*

**Code: APAchange**

**“Democracy”: You can make a change**

Do you have what it takes to run a country and to make it a better place in the future? Discover the fun and social impact of the digital game “Democracy 3”.

*Digital game and discussion*

Organised in cooperation with Arte and Games for Change Europe

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 10:00-11:30  
**Venue:** WIC 200, 240 places  
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Day, Time:** Friday, 15:30-19:00  
Saturday, 14:00-17:30  
**Venue:** LOW R3.1, 130 places  
**Languages:** EN, FR, DE (interpretation only in plenary sessions)

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 12:00-13:30  
**Venue:** LOW S1.5, 120 places  
**Languages:** EN, FR, DE

**Gaming sessions:**

- Saturday  
  a) 10:00-10:30 (35 places)  
  b) 10:45-11:15 (35 places)  
  c) 11:30-12:00 (35 places)

**Venue:** LOW S3.7  
**Language:** EN
**Partner and youth activities and workshops**

**Code:** APAeuaid

**EU Aid Volunteers: “We Care, We Act”**

Do you want to support people in need and contribute to humanitarian work in countries all over the world? Be among the first participants in the new “EU Aid Volunteers” initiative. Meet pioneer volunteers and discuss your involvement.

*Presentation and Discussion*

Organised by the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

**Code:** APAyouthup

**Youth up! – your ideas for youth-friendly politics**

Are you tired of hearing about young people’s political apathy? Do you believe that there are plenty of innovative ways to increase youth participation in decision-making? Take part in a creative brainstorm to find the best ideas for a politics that’s responsive to young people, and put them to your MEP representatives!

*Series of ideas-workshops followed by a discussion*

Organised by the European Youth Forum

**Code:** APAstandup

**Stand up, speak up – lobbying for beginners**

Eager to learn a few tricks on how to advocate your concerns or the demands of your organisation effectively with decision-makers? This learning-by-doing workshop is meant for you! You will have the opportunity to apply these newly learned skills immediately to a case study.

*Advocacy training and role-play*

Organised by the European Youth Forum
Code: APA\textit{changed}

\textbf{20 years on – what has changed for YOUth?}

What were the priorities of the pan-European youth movement 20 years ago? Have all the battles been won or is the process only just beginning? Join us for a fascinating journey with illustrious European Youth Forum alumni, linking the struggles of the past with the challenges of the present and celebrating 20 years of European youth cooperation.

\textit{Talk}
Organised by the European Youth Forum

Code: APA\textit{empowerment}

\textbf{Youth organisations:}
\textbf{A laboratory for youth empowerment?}

Youth organisations empower young people to be at the centre of the action, take decisions and lead the way forward while learning to live and work together. But are decision-makers aware of the unique contribution youth organisations make to developing young people's potential and their impact on society? Join this panel debate and help us demonstrate the social value of youth organisations.

\textit{Panel discussion}
Organised by the European Youth Forum

Code: APA\textit{citizenship}

\textbf{Learning by doing – citizenship education in practice}

"I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand".  What exactly is citizenship education and how are youth organisations making a crucial contribution to fostering a culture of democratic participation in Europe? Come and experience this first-hand! The best way to understand what we do is through learning by doing. Join this participatory workshop open to all – practitioners and politicians alike!

\textit{Participatory workshop}
Organised by the European Youth Forum
Hello Brussels…?
Young people have something to say to you!

Have you ever heard of the Structured Dialogue on Youth? It is a participatory process enabling young people to have a say on EU youth policies through continuous dialogue between youth representatives and decision-makers. Come to get useful tips on how to get involved or share your personal experiences. This interactive workshop will also focus on collecting your ideas on how to improve the skills young people need to build an inclusive society (the current topic of the Structured Dialogue). Open to all – policy geeks or newcomers to the Structured Dialogue!

Workshop
Organised by the European Youth Forum

EYE contact: Speed briefing with MEPs

Everyone knows what speed dating is all about… But what about turning the format into an interactive session allowing you to meet face-to-face with a Member of the European Parliament for 15 minutes? In groups of 10 young people, you will have the opportunity to ask the questions you’ve always wanted to ask outside the usual set-up of Q&A sessions. Join this speed briefing and see how euro-parliamentarians respond to your questions around the themes of this year’s European Youth Event.

Speed briefing
Organised by the European Movement International

Guess my age, I’m an MEP!

Have you ever wondered how it feels to be a young Member of the European Parliament? Do you want to discover how they actually got there? Can young MEPs become role models for young activists and youth leaders? Join us for this unique talk – No politics, no prepared speeches, only you and MEPs ready to share their stories and answer all your questions!

Talk
Organised by the European Movement International
**Code:** APAcivil

**Europe: Building and supporting civil society?**

What are the conditions for civil society organisations to thrive? How can we respond to the restrictions of civil space and fundamental rights occurring at national level in EU and non-EU countries? This interactive workshop will involve you in identifying solutions to current challenges faced by young activists in making their voices heard. Findings from an online survey on civic space in Europe and national case studies will feed into the discussion.

*Workshop*

Organised by Civil Society Europe and AEGEE (Association des États Généraux des Étudiants de l’Europe)

**Code:** APAtransparent

**A transparent future? Opening up EU democracy**

From trade to pollution to the euros in your pocket, EU legislation affects us all in every aspect of our daily life. As citizens, how can we make the EU more transparent and hold the institutions more accountable? Come to discover tricks and tools to help you understand and influence power in the EU. After listening together to the introduction on the principles of transparency and accountability, participants will split in four thematic groups - with input from different expert practitioners:

- Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership – Behind closed doors – Will transparency of the process bring more accountability?
- Lobbying – Hacking political corruption – How to use technology to hold the EU to account
- Whistleblowing – Do people who expose corruption for the greater good get the protection they deserve?
- Eurozone governance – After years of crisis and mutual recriminations, can only transparent and accountable Eurozone decision-making end the division between “debtor” and “creditor” countries?

*Workshop*

Organised by Transparency International (TI)
**Code: APAtweet**

**Tweet-up – changing policies one hashtag at a time...**

Can a hashtag change the world? Let’s explore the real impact of social media with young activists and politicians. Run in partnership with Twitter, this interactive session will reveal the secrets of online advocacy. Inspirational online activists will share their lessons for success.

*Conversation*

Organised by the European Youth Forum and Twitter

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**Code: APAstorytelling**

**Digital storytelling: Youth work at the heart of the story!**

We all have a story to tell! Come and discover how you can use the method of digital storytelling to tell your personal story behind youth work. On the menu of this interactive workshop: screening of inspiring digital stories, reflection on the impact they have on us and presentation of the method you can use to do it yourself. All you need is...a story!

*Interactive workshop*

Organised by the European Youth Forum

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**Code: APAblog**

**Peer-to-peer: How can I start my own blog?**

Bloggers are an essential part of civil society and can discuss their topics and opinions directly. As an introduction, we will present the award-winning peer-to-peer youth blog eu2014.at. The participants will then discuss questions such as “what are bloggers” contributions to active citizenship and democracy?”, “how can I start my own blog?”, as well as topics including youth empowerment and active citizenship through media.

*Workshop*

Organised by Europe Direct Wien (EDi Wien)
Code: APAapp

App “Action Bound” – watchdogs welcome

This workshop is based on the app “Action Bound” via which participants will form teams and compete in missions connected with participation and democracy. They will delve into democracy and voting, watchdogging and political accountability. Through interactive exercises, teams will find out how to become active members of society and how to develop a critical attitude towards politicians. Participants are required to have a smartphone using which the app can be downloaded free from Google Play Store.

Workshop
Organised by Young MEPs seek changes (Lithuania)

Code: APAinfluence

Digital democracy: From e-participation to real influence

The European youth of today lack involvement in e-citizenship and e-participation. Inspired by the recent experiences of young people who shared ideas online and then organised events in real life, this workshop will show how participants can use digital tools to raise public awareness and support their cause.

Workshop
Organised by Promoters for European Democracy (Romania)

Code: APAtoolbox

EU digital toolbox for successful e-participation

Do you think that digital tools can get young people’s voices heard at the political level? This workshop will use interactive online means to explore the ways we can enhance youth e-participation. Be ready to share your thoughts on how policy-makers can engage better with you!

Workshop
Organised by European Citizen Action Services (ECAS)
**Code: APAparticipation**

**Participation in the right way**

This workshop will address hate speech – what it is, how to prevent it and what youth workers and youth organisations can do to counteract it. At the same time, some MEPs will present what they have been doing to combat hate speech. You will be welcomed to share your opinion on hate speech, its occurrence in your environment, and the dangers of hate speech in active participation and citizenship.

*Workshop*
Organised by Active Slovenian Youth

**Code: APAbalkans**

**Boosting local democracy: Lessons learned from the Balkans**

How can young people, civil society organisations and public authorities find innovative ways to cooperate for vibrant local democracy? What can EU countries learn from successful practices from their Balkan neighbours? With an interactive “world café” methodology, this workshop will pick your brain on challenges and solutions for boosting youth participation, local democracy and regional cooperation, and introduce you to inspirational best practice from youth activists in the Balkan region.

*Workshop*
Organised by the Association of Local Democracy Agencies (ALDA)

**Code: APAlocally**

**Think globally – act locally**

How can you be socially responsible in your local community? In this workshop, we aim to make participants aware of their own possibilities as members of diverse and multicultural European states. Groups of six people from different countries will be formed, guided by two of our students aged between 16 and 18. They will exchange perspectives on issues such as inclusion, collaboration, cultural encounters and receiving refugees in local communities.

*Workshop*
Organised by Frijsenborg Efterskole (Denmark)
Code: APAstudent

Student participation – next level
This workshop provides participants with tools with which they can lobby efficiently. Are you in need of better resources for your student society or do you want to have a say in your school’s course selection? We’ll share our best tricks for achieving any goal and you can share your tricks with us!

Workshop
Organised by the Union of Upper Secondary School Students in Finland

Code: APAbritain

Britain and Europe: Breaking up or moving on?
Whether the United Kingdom decides to stay in the EU or not is of crucial importance to every European and member state. This debate will involve an active discussion of both sides of the argument, followed by an analysis of the potential benefits and threats that a “Brexit” would present for Europe.

Workshop
Organised by the European Youth Parliament United Kingdom

Code: APAdocumentary

Web documentary: Multiple views on Europe
“Why are some people in favour of European integration while others show an increasing distrust of the EU?” In this workshop participants will not be limited to this binary thinking, but will be exposed to a wide range of perceptions among young people, as well as multiple ways of interpreting “European citizenship”. Participants will watch extracts from our web documentary about European youth and then discuss the topic by sharing their experiences.

Workshop
Organised by Sciences Po Forum EU digital toolbox for successful e-participation
YO!Fest partners in the hub

European Youth Forum | European Educational Exchanges – Youth for Understanding | Informagiovani di Sarezzo | National Youth Council, Estonia | National Youth Council, Portugal | SHARE Cluj | The Exchangeables | YES Forum | Young European Federalists | Youth Express Network | European Women’s Lobby | European Movement International | European Youth Information and Counseling Agency

What to expect in the hub?

Discover how you can engage and ensure that your voice is heard at the “Apathy or Participation” hub! Listen to inspiring examples of active participation, share your ideas on how politicians can better engage with young people and learn some advocacy tips and tricks! Come to the hub to:

- Share your ideas on how to “youth up” politics,
- Take the vote at 16 challenge,
- Explore gender equality and barriers to women’s participation,
- Find out about existing ways to participate in decision-making at EU level,
- Learn some advocacy tips and tricks
- Explore digital participation and its potential to boost democratic life,
- Join the campaign to promote the social value of youth organisations.
III. Exclusion or access: Crackdown on youth unemployment

“People try to put us down. Talkin’ about my generation.”
The Who (My generation)

Code: YUPzero
Youth unemployment: Down to zero?
Young people in Europe are eager to move on, to work and participate, but over 5 million of them are stuck and shut out. How can we reduce youth unemployment to close to zero within 10 years? Will Europe take decisive action for a final crackdown?

Ideas check

Code: YUAmoney
Fresh money: What would you do with 300 billion euros?
Europe’s investment package – what’s in it for the younger generation? The most promising projects for opportunities, education and jobs. How would you invest the money? Explore, select and discuss!

Discussion

Code: YUAskills
Skills gap: Bridge over troubled water
Young people’s qualifications and job vacancies don’t always match. What do employers want? How can your skills match what they need? Do schools prepare you for the world of work? How can Europe empower schools and universities to teach the right skills and build a bridge to a successful future for young people? Commissioner Marianne Thyssen will introduce with a key-note speech.

Hearing
Organised in cooperation with the European Commission
Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Day, Time: Friday, 15:30-17:30
Venue: Hemicycle, 900 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Day, Time: Saturday, 12:30-14:00
Venue: LOW S1.4, 420 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Day, Time: Friday, 12:30-14:00
Venue: LOW N1.4, 300 places
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE
**Code:** YUA\_dreamjob

**Don’t wait for a dream job – create it**

How about becoming your own boss and flying to... wherever you want? How can you get your business off the ground? How can you go from a business idea to an income... and make a living? Empower yourself – share your dreams and your doubts with successful entrepreneurs and high-level experts.

*Discussion*
Organised in cooperation with the European Commission – Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

**Code:** YUA\_erasmus

**Erasmus+: The intercultural experience of your life!**

All over Europe young people are preparing for the journey of their life – the adventure of Erasmus+. They know that by studying, training and taking part in youth projects abroad, they can gain experience and skills that will help them succeed in today’s world. 4 million people will participate in Erasmus+. What will be the next level of this successful programme? How could even more young people benefit? More fun or more focus on professional skills? Three young people – an entrepreneur, an apprentice and a participant in a youth exchange – share their experiences and expectations.

*Hearing*
Organised in cooperation with the European Commission – Directorate-General for Education and Culture

**Code:** YUA\_connectors

**Young connectors: Stairway to the cloud**

A new generation of internet pioneers are building bridges to the future...  
... connecting scientists across borders  
... connecting jobseekers to companies  
... connecting business with social impact  
... connecting students to on-line universities  
Young entrepreneurs and innovators tell their stories. Meet and discuss.

*Talk and networking session*
**Code:** YUAresearch

**Research matters: New jobs on the horizon**

A chain of success: education – research – innovation. How can scientific research contribute to creating the jobs of the future? Scientists tell their stories and discuss with young people.

**Talk**
Organised in cooperation with the Institut d’Études Politiques de Strasbourg

**Code:** YUAjobless

**Young and jobless: None of my business?**

How can business managers work hand in hand with policy makers to offer more high-quality internships, vocational training and jobs? The “Alliance for YOuth” and Members of the European Parliament discuss opportunities with young people.

**Discussion**

**Code:** YUAmigrants

**Young migrants: New kids on the block**

Standing in the corner, the first day they arrive. How can we support the social, economic and cultural inclusion of young migrants? What can we do in our cities, at schools, in the workplace and in sports? Discrimination: what are you going to do about it?

You take the role of a young advisor to a Member of the European Parliament responsible for new legislation. Your ideas set the agenda! The Ideas lab starts online with your contributions from 10th March on www.eye-ideaslabs.eu.

**Ideas lab**

**Code:** YUAspent

**“Spent”: Out of money, out of work**

Play: In this game, players experience what life is like for someone trying to find a job and survive poverty on a day-to-day basis.

Discuss: Can we turn things around in Europe and give poor and unemployed young people a chance?

**Digital game and discussion**
Organised in cooperation with Arte and Games for Change Europe

**Day, Time:** Friday, 16:30-18:00
**Venue:** LOW S1.5, 120 places
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Day, Time:** Friday, 17:00-19:00
**Venue:** LOW S1.4, 420 places
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Day, Time:** Friday, 16:00-17:30
**Venue:** LOW S2.2, 140 places
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Day, Time:** Friday, 13:30-17:00
**Saturday, 12:00-15:30**
**Venue:** LOW N3.2, 130 places
**Languages:** EN, FR, DE
(translation only in plenary sessions)

**Day, Time:** Friday, 16:30-18:00
**Venue:** LOW S1.5, 120 places
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Gaming sessions:**
- **Friday:** 14:00-14:30 (35 places)
- 14:45-15:15 (35 places)
- 15:30-16:00 (35 places)
**Venue:** LOW S3.7
**Language:** EN
**Partner and youth activities and workshops**

**Code: YUAapprenticeships**

**Apprenticeships – a first step towards a good job and career?**

Is university the only road to a good job with a good salary? Or can apprenticeships, which combine school education with training in a company, be a better route for many? Why is it that Europe needs more apprentices?

*Workshop*
Organised by the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 14:00-15:30  
**Venue:** LOW S2.1, 140 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: YUAsuccess**

**EU “youth guarantee”: A success story – really??**

Apparently all young people under 25 looking for a first job will get a tailor-made offer of employment, apprenticeship, traineeship or continued education…really? What new policies have been put in place by Member States, which projects have been launched and what is the result? A critical review and a reality check!

*Workshop*
Organised by the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 15:30-17:00  
**Venue:** LOW S2.2, 55 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: YUAcareer**

**Career: Next generation of researchers**

More researchers will be needed in the changing world of jobs and skills. Why not considering a research career? How can more girls and women get involved in science, technology and research? How do you combine work and private life? Three Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellows tell their stories, including career paths, setbacks and how to succeed in the research area – and discuss with the audience. After the session you can meet the researchers face to face.

*Talk and networking session*
Organised by the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Education and Culture

**Day, Time:** Friday, 14:00-15:30  
**Venue:** LOW H-1.1, 60 places  
**Language:** EN
Young entrepreneurs: A “six-pack” to start

Series of six workshops
Organised by the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

**Code:** YUAsixpack1

### 1. Start up: I can fly

The Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs Programme is a runway for setting up your first business. Find out how to participate and gain skills, find an experienced business partner to run your project with, build your Europe-wide network of contacts… Meet new and experienced entrepreneurs, start your start-up right here, right now!

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 14:30-16:00  
**Venue:** LOW N1.2, 140 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code:** YUAsixpack2

### 2. You have a great business idea? Come and sell it

Contest for business ideas. Pitch your project idea to a panel of experts. Get valuable feedback. Win a prize. Think about doing the REAL THING for your future business, get expert support – or just come to listen and learn from the others! Ten finalists will be selected to pitch their idea live to the panel of business experts, coaches and investors. If you want to be one of them, register on www.e-unlimited.com/EYE and you will be contacted about submitting the pitch for your business idea in due course.

**Day, Time:** Friday, 16:00-18:30  
**Venue:** LOW N1.2, 140 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code:** YUAsixpack3

### 3. A Youth Business Plan for Europe

What can we do together to turn the best business ideas into the best businesses in Europe? What do you need to do to become a successful entrepreneur? How can Europe help you? Or maybe you can help Europe as well? Join this interactive World-Café-style workshop. We will put similar small groups together, in which we will discuss the challenges involved in making a business plan for Europe.

**Day, Time:** Friday, 11:30-13:00  
**Venue:** LOW N1.1, 60 places  
**Language:** EN
**Code: YUAsixpack4**

4. I changed my life – Now I’m an entrepreneur

Talk to people who redirected their career path towards entrepreneurship. Why and how did they do it? What does it really mean to be an entrepreneur day to day? Would they do it again? Everything you always wanted to ask when choosing your career.

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 10:00-11.30  
**Venue:** LOW N1.2, 140 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: YUAsixpack5**

5. I have a business idea – do I have the skills?

Are you more of a business leader, a social entrepreneur, a freelancer or maybe an intrapreneur? Can you learn to be creative or think strategically? Can you learn to be flexible but deliver according to plan? Try entrepreneurial education – it gives both theory and practice, soft and hard-core skills and a lot more – to help you become a successful entrepreneur.

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 12:00-13:30  
**Venue:** LOW N1.2, 140 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: YUAsixpack6**

6. I have a good idea – give me the money

The three F’s. Three sources of money for your business – Family, Friends and Fools. Or maybe there are some other options… A crash course on crowdfunding, fooling each other with a venture capitalist or being watched over by a business angel? And, by the way, there is money available from the EU too.

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 16:30-18:00  
**Venue:** LOW N1.2, 140 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: YUAevs**

**European Voluntary Service: Change your life by changing the lives of others!**

In 2016 we celebrate the 20th year of the European Voluntary Service (EVS) – come and join the party! Since 1996 more than 100 000 volunteers have made a difference to the lives of others by working for worthwhile causes in other countries. The number of EVS volunteers supported through the Erasmus+ programme is increasing every year, and one of them can be you! Join us to hear about exciting EVS projects and have a piece of the EVS birthday cake. Speed-date with EVS organisations that may be interested in taking YOU on board their project!

*Presentation and networking session*

Organised by the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Education and Culture

**Day, Time:** Friday, 12:00-13.30  
**Venue:** LOW S2.2, 140 places  
**Language:** EN
**Code: YUAquality**

**The quality job hunt: Mission impossible?**

How has the world of work changed? What is it like to be a young person looking for a quality job today? A role play game to look at the different scenarios that young job-seekers find themselves in today, and the new issues that Europe must tackle in the face of a changing labour market – an intern vs an employer refusing to pay them; an Uber driver vs a taxi driver… Join this role play game to debate and discuss the meaning of a quality job in today’s Europe.

*Workshop*

Organised by the European Youth Forum

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 14:00-15:30  
**Venue:** Octagon, YO!Village, 40 places  
**Language:** EN  
*This workshop will also be repeated in the YO!Village with registration on the spot. Check the daily programme of the thematic hubs*

**Code: YUAleaders**

**Next generation of leaders: Here we go, girls!**

How can girls and young women advance on the ladder of opportunity? Why do women still not participate equally in politics, science and the economy? How can more women take key positions? Come and explore these issues and come up with proposals!

*Debate*

Organised by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS)

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 16:00-17:30  
**Venue:** Magic Mirror, YO!Village, 150 places  
**Language:** EN

**Code: YUAyouth**

**Put your money where your youth is!**

Is Europe investing enough in young people? Should young people and youth organisations be consulted on setting priorities for EU spending? 2016 is an important year for the EU budget and the EU programmes, such as Erasmus+. Join this panel and help us build a constructive dialogue with the EU institutions on how to target better investment in youth.

*Debate*

Organised by the European Youth Forum

**Day, Time:** Saturday, 11:00-12:30  
**Venue:** LOW R1.1, 130 places  
**Language:** EN
**Code: YUAinclusion**

**Europe for the “happy few”...or social inclusion for all?**

Nearly 1 in 3 young people in Europe today are on the brink of poverty and social exclusion. Is the crisis to blame? Has Europe become anti-youth? Join this panel discussion to re-examine the real impact of the crisis and austerity measures on social rights and the welfare safety net. Add your voice to the debate on what Europe must urgently do to “catch” its young people before they fall...

*Discussion*
Organised by the European Youth Forum

**Code: YUAvet**

**Vocational education and training: Time for an upgrade!**

Can vocational education and training (VET) become a more attractive alternative to academic education? How can work-based learning open doors to the labour market? Can we overcome negative perceptions and give it equal status?

*Panel discussion*
Organised by the Organising Bureau of European School Students Unions (OBESSU)

**Code: YUAsave**

**Save the Union – the social way**

Can we really be called a union, when citizens of Europe have very different levels of access to education and health? Is the economy the limit of our European cooperation project or is a social Europe possible? Take up the challenge to save Europe, this time with the welfare of its citizens in mind. Join our talks on social Europe, and listen to three perspectives on the issue: business, policy and civil society.

*Talk*
Organised by the Young European Federalists (JEF)
Code: **YUAangels**

**Volunteer angels:**
**Non-formal education gives you wings!**

How can sports skills be an asset in community development? How can I best communicate my volunteering experience to a possible employer? Have I learned transferable skills as a student activist? Come and discover the benefits of participation in youth and sports organisations.

*Workshop*
Organised by AIESEC, ENGSO Youth (Network of European Youth Work in Sports), the Erasmus Student Network (ESN), the European Students Union (ESU), the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM), and the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS)

Code: **YUArecognition**

**Let’s talk recognition**

Can games teach us anything? What do we learn outside the formal sphere? Is a year spent in a school abroad of equal value to a year spent at home? Come and debate these issues with MEPs and youth organisations and join the campaign for official recognition. Our learning should be recognised!

*Round table*
Organised by European Educational Exchanges – Youth For Understanding (EEE-YFU), the European Federation for Intercultural Learning (EFIL), the Youth for Exchange and Understanding (YEU) and the Erasmus Students Network (ESN)

Code: **YUAmobility**

**Mobility for all!**

How can we make Erasmus opportunities accessible to everybody? Going abroad to study or work can be challenging for young people – even more for people with disabilities. How can we ensure that people with special needs receive the necessary support at their university or workplace? Can we learn from best practices?

*Round table*
Organised by the Erasmus Students Network (ESN)
**Code: YUAhear**

**Can you hear me?**

What does it mean to be deaf? What challenges do deaf people face in the pursuit of quality education and employment? How can the hearing world engage better with young deaf people and avoid their marginalisation? Join us to discuss these issues and consider ways to overcome challenges.

Panel debate
Organised by the European Union of Deaf Youth (EUDY)

**Code: YUAmiteral**

**Mental health: The last taboo?**

Why is there such a stigma attached to mental health? How can we raise awareness and support the growing number of young people suffering from mental health problems? What can we do to ensure young people receive the treatment they need? Come and debate these issues with medical students and politicians.

Debate
Organised by the International Federation of Medical Students Associations (IFMSA)

**Code: YUApaitients**

**Young patients: Ready, brilliant and able to work!**

Young people with chronic conditions face obstacles and stigma in the job market. With appropriate support, they can be assets for employers like every other enthusiastic person. This workshop aims to challenge expectations, change attitudes and open a dialogue between experts and participants to explore concrete solutions and develop practical actions for young people and their allies.

Workshop
Organised by European Young Patients

**Code: YUAsolutions**

**Youth unemployment: Solutions for hopeless cases?**

Youth unemployment is a problem that can affect all of us. For this reason, we want to look at the causes of this problem and work on concrete cases of youth unemployment. This workshop provides a platform through which participants can exchange ideas to find creative solutions.

Workshop
Organised by ELSA Slubice office (Poland)
**Code: YUAhairdressing**

**Hairdressing: New look for an old profession**

How do you make a traditional profession such as hairdressing fit for new and better chances in the labour market? In this workshop we will give answers to this question. It includes activities in which participants can do practise design and make-up or act as models. In these interactive tasks students will present basic but efficient techniques to change hairstyles, make-up and nails.

*Workshop*

Organised by Kranj School Centre (Slovenia)

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**Code: YUAdignityland**

**Enter “Dignityland”: Making social rights a reality for all!**

Exclusion, discrimination and violence affect young people’s access to their rights. What can be done about this? In this workshop you will discover and discuss social rights as you make a policy priority plan for an imaginary country by playing a game (that could, indeed, be real). You will be able to provide input about how young people and youth work can make a contribution to social rights for all.

*Debate*

Organised by the Council of Europe Youth Department

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**Code: YUAlandfill**

**Landfill Harmonic: A symphony of the human spirit**

Ciné ONU: Landfill Harmonic follows the “Recycled Orchestra”, a group of kids living in a slum build on a landfill in Paraguay. The moving documentary reveals how the unlikely orchestra goes from playing on music instruments made out of garbage to touring the world with their favourite heavy metal band. Landfill Harmonic is an inspiring example of how hope, creativity and community work can turn trash into music and poverty into perspectives for a better life.

*Documentary screening followed by Q&A*

Organised by the United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC)
YO!Fest partners in the hub
European Youth Forum | AIESEC | Erasmus Student Network | European Students Union | European Trade Union Confederation Youth | European Union of Deaf Youth | Organising Bureau of European School Students Unions | World organization of young Esperantists | European Disability Forum | InternsGoPro

What to expect in the hub?
Education, employment, volunteering and mobility – come to the “Exclusion or Access” hub to tackle some of the issues that are closest to young people. Have your say on what makes a quality job, share your views on the right to (free) education, explore the murky world of unpaid internships and join your peers in taking a stand about vital issues for young people.

- Share your views on the right to (free) education for all,
- Get tips from the experts in setting up a school student union with an impact,
- Have your say on what makes a quality job in today’s world of work,
- Find out everything you need to know to take a year abroad to study or work,
- Learn a few words of Esperanto or international sign language and open your mind to new ways of communicating,
- Discover what it means to live with a disability and fight for inclusive mobility.
IV. Stagnation or innovation: Tomorrow’s world of work

“Have you ever wished your life would change? Woke up and you lived your dreams.”

Iggy Azalea (Change your life)

**Code:** TWAinnovation

**Digital revolution:**
A fountain of jobs and innovation?

How can Europe create attractive jobs in a connected economy and society? How do you…
…boost public and private investments to foster digital champions in Europe?
…empower young people to take advantage of job opportunities in a changing labour market?
…set high standards for consumer and data protection in a European digital market?
…profit from digital progress for a green economy?

Proposals and projects for Europe’s digital future.

**Idea check**

**Code:** TWAshake

**Jobs and growth:** Mix it right, shake it up!

A stimulating “job booster” cocktail for Europe: what are the best ingredients? Fiscal discipline or new investments? Enforced austerity or higher social standards? Free competition or state protection? Try to find the smoothest blend!

**Question time**

**Code:** TWAdeal

**USA – Europe:** Big deal or no deal

What does the biggest free trade deal in the world (TTIP) mean for employment and quality of life in Europe? Will this transatlantic “marriage of elephants” work to the benefit of both?

**Debate**
**Code: TWAsharing**

**Sharing economy: They come in like a wrecking ball**

Creative disruptors in action: they shake up and destroy established business models. They create platforms and apps to connect freelancers to consumers everywhere: taxis, cars, vacations, food, music, etc. What should European lawmakers do to regulate this new economy: encourage innovation or protect workers and consumers?

*Talk*

**Code: TWA silicon**

**Social challenge! Can Europe do better than Silicon Valley?**

Silicon Valley – the place for start-ups, creative disruptors, internet champions…and all the talk of opportunities. A society of winners and losers, right? What can we learn from Silicon Valley – and what can we do better in Europe? Why is there no European Google or Facebook? What is our European vision of society and lifestyle in the digital age?

*Discussion*

**Code: TWA robots**

**Science or fiction: Will robots rise to power?**

Will robots and super-intelligent computers threaten or save the future of humanity? Will ever-smarter computers take away many of our jobs – and even our thinking? Or will they always remain under human control? A ride into the future between fascination for science and respect for human values.

*Talk*

**Code: TWA pirates**

**Patents, pirates and fair play**

How do we want to play the game of innovation in the Internet era?
- “Candy crush” for consumers, featuring free and open access to knowledge, music and research for all?
- “Monopoly” for innovators, including exclusive use of European patents, penalties for copycats, copyright fees and rewards for creators, writers and musicians?
- What should the rules of fair play be in a digital society?

*Hearing*
**Code: TWAheaven**

**Tax evasion: Stairway to heaven**

Multinational companies shift profits around using hidden stairways to a tax-free heaven. Legal practice or mockery of solidarity? How can the European Union fight tax evasion and tax fraud and reduce speculation?

*Question time*

**Code: TWAworkplace**

**Smart workplace: The relativity of space and time**

Employment in the 21st century – how is the job market changing in the digital era? A new flexibility regarding how, where and when you work in a digital universe. A different workplace and working culture: better for the boss or for the employee? Easier or more stressful life for parents with small children?

You take the role of a young advisor to a Member of the European Parliament responsible for new legislation. Your ideas set the agenda! The Ideas lab starts online with your contributions from 10th March on www.eye-ideashlab.eu.

*Ideas Lab*

**Code: TWAdata**

**“Data dealer”: Grabbing people’s private data**

This sharp, clever game is all about personal data and privacy – the most entertaining way to learn the depressing news about your vanishing privacy. Play the part of a data dealer and see what it’s like to grab and monetise people’s private data. Are you able to protect your own data or do you expect regulation from the European Parliament?

*Digital game and discussion*

Organised in cooperation with Arte and Games for Change Europe

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**Day, Time:** Friday, 17:30-19:00  
**Venue:** LOW S1.5, 140 places  
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

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**Day, Time:** Friday, 15:30-19:00  
Saturday, 14:00-17:30  
**Venue:** LOW N3.2, 130 places  
**Languages:** EN, FR, DE  
(interpretation only in plenary sessions)

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**Day, Time:** Saturday, 15:30-17:00  
**Venue:** LOW S1.5, 190 places  
**Languages:** interpreted into EN, FR, DE

**Gaming sessions:**  
Saturday  
 a) 13:00-13:30 (35 places)  
b) 13:45-14:15 (35 places)  
c) 14:30-15:00 (35 places)

**Venue:** LOW S3.7  
**Language:** EN
**Partner and youth activities and workshops**

**Code:** TWAmoon

**The new frontiers of space exploration – a village on the moon?**

From Christopher Colombus to Apollo 11: what does exploration mean to individuals and mankind? James Carpenter, scientist at the European Space Agency, will take us through the drivers of human exploration and its impact on society through history. Has the meaning of exploration changed in the space era? What are our next frontiers as a species?

*Talk*
Organised by the European Space Agency (ESA)

**Code:** TWAdesign

**Design Thinking – everyone is creative!**

Have you heard of the innovative methodology “Design Thinking”? It is a structured approach to generating new ideas and developing innovative solutions to existing problems. It originates from the business world but can be applied to many other fields such as education. Want to boost your creativity and problem-solving skills? Join us for a challenging exercise, which will give you the opportunity to learn the basics of Design Thinking, try it out for yourself and network with other creative minds on the way.

*Interactive workshop*
Organised by Czech National Youth Council (CRDM) with SAP

**Code:** TWAcampfire

**Entrepreneurial campfire: Let the creativity sparks fly!**

What is life as an entrepreneur like? How does it feel to start up your own company? What are the toughest decisions founders of start-ups have to take? What motivates and drives them? What are their biggest fears and challenges? Nobody knows this better than those who have experienced founding a start-up themselves. Sharing their stories with YOU in very small groups, start-up founders and European Youth Award winners from all over Europe will answer your burning questions and give you insight in their lives as entrepreneurs!

*Interactive session*
Organised by European Youth Award and Child and Youth Finance International
Code: TWAcooperators

Young cooperators: Business beyond profit
This workshop will investigate the added value of cooperatives. How can cooperatives contribute in shaping a more sustainable economy?

Workshop
Organised by Cooperatives Europe network of Young Cooperators

Code: TWAmarshmallow

“The Marshmallow Challenge”: How to generate fresh ideas?
The Marshmallow Challenge is a fun activity that invites young people to be challenged by stimulating innovative and creative collaboration. Participants will work in groups, draft a plan, create prototypes and then build the tallest design using simple materials. All you need is innovative ideas, strong teamwork and a sense of adventure to complete the challenge!

Workshop
Organised by Youth Dynamics (Cyprus), 2nd prize winner European Charlemagne Youth Prize 2014
YO!Fest partners in the hub

European Youth Forum | Child and Youth Finance International | European Youth Award | Galway – candidate city for the European Youth Capital | National Youth Forum Bulgaria | System & Generation Turkey | Xchange Scotland | Young Democrats Gdansk | Your Choice Association Poland | Cooperatives Europe

What to expect in the hub?

Creativity, society and entrepreneurship – come to the “Stagnation or Innovation” hub to challenge your perceptions and try something new! Consider how we can create green and social jobs to tackle youth unemployment, improve your financial literacy and join the campaign for its inclusion in mainstream education. Open your mind to the world of cooperatives as an alternative, sustainable model for business.

- Get inspired by success (and failure!) stories of social entrepreneurs
- “Pimp” your EYE bag with your own personal design,
- Take control of your finances in the financial literacy workshop,
- Network, meet potential project partners and make new friends,
- Experience “creative conversations” and see where it leads you,
- Try your hand at a variety of arts and crafts.
V. Collapse or success: New ways for a sustainable Europe

“One life, but we’re not the same. We get to carry each other, carry each other.”

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**Code:** SUPearth

**Earth from above: My extraordinary 200 days in space**

European astronaut Samantha Cristoforetti shares magical moments and scientific challenges from her mission aboard the International Space Station. Looking at the blue planet from space – how did it change my perspective about life on Earth?

*Talk and discussion*

Organised in cooperation with the European Space Agency (ESA)

**Code:** SUAgalaxy

**A guide to the galaxy...**

...and to the survival of humanity on our planet.

Thomas Hertog, cosmologist and a close collaborator of Stephen Hawking, will explain the cosmic context of our planet. Gravity waves: messages from the stars? How can a deeper understanding and explanation of the universe help to safeguard mankind’s future here on Earth?

Pierre Philippe Mathieu, Earth scientist at the European Space Agency, will address sustainable life on Earth from the space perspective. How can the observation of Earth from space help us understand our planet better and give us the tools we need to take timely action for our own survival and wellbeing?

*Talk and discussion*

Organised in cooperation with the European Space Agency (ESA)
**Code: SUAclimate**

**Climate: High priority for low carbon**
Will Europeans take disruptive and decisive action to stop a future climate collapse? Will a turn to a low-carbon economy derail or boost sustainable growth? Will it cost or create jobs? How will new technologies change the future energy landscape? How will Europeans continue to provide the natural resources and ecosystem services for the needs of future generations of life on the planet?

**Ideas check**

**Code: SUAhunger**

**Hunger games**
Hunger, disease and extreme poverty in the world are not inevitable – the rules of the game are unfair. How can we empower people living in poverty to create their own sustainable solutions? Can we bring hunger down to zero within a generation? Initiatives for better access to decent food, clean water and basic healthcare for all.

**Hearing**

**Code: SUAsplash**

**Splash – protect our oceans!**
Oceans are the largest ecosystems on Earth. Our survival depends on clean and healthy oceans. How can we manage to protect them – and the animals living in them – for all of us and future generations?

**Debate**

**Code: SUAshopping**

**Fair trade: Shopping with a little added love?**
The consumer has the power: are you ready to pay a fair price in order to bail out workers and small farmers living in extreme poverty? Are you ready to stop unfair labour practices and human-rights abuses at the opposite end of the supply chain? Examples from local initiatives and non-profit organisations.

**Talk and discussion**
**Code: SUAanimals**

**Animals and us: Time for a new relationship?**

We agree: animals have rights. We disagree: what rights? Happy cows: should the EU stop factory farming and put animals back on extensive land-based farms? Happy taxpayers: no EU subsidies without high and ambitious standards for animal welfare? Happy monkeys: no animals for medical tests?

*Talk*

**Code: SUAeuro**

**Whatever it takes…for the euro to survive**

The off-road endurance rally to a successful and sustainable monetary union.

*Question time*

**Code: SUAcircle**

**The 360° strategy: Moving things around in a circle**

In a traditional economy there is a straight line from production to consumption to waste. Now Europe is moving towards a resource-efficient and regenerative circular economy without waste.

You take the role of a young advisor to a Member of the European Parliament responsible for new legislation. Your ideas set the agenda! The Ideas lab starts online with your contributions from 10th March on www.eye-ideaslab.eu.

*Ideas lab*

**Code: SUA挑战**

**“Climate challenge”**

In this game you take the role of the “president of Europe”, attempting to reduce CO2 emissions and to save the climate. Play and discuss the chances of stopping global warming.

*Digital game and discussion*

Organised in cooperation with Arte and Games for Change Europe

Day, Time: Saturday, 13:30-15:00  
Venue: LOW S2.2, 140 places  
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Day, Time: Saturday, 16:00-17:30  
Venue: WIC 200, 220 places  
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Day, Time: Friday, 11:30-15:00  
Saturday, 10:00-13:30  
Venue: LOW R3.1, 130 places  
Languages: EN, FR, DE  
(translation only in plenary sessions)

Day, Time: Saturday, 10:00-11:30  
Venue: LOW S1.5, 120 places  
Languages: interpreted into EN, FR, DE

Gaming sessions:  
Friday  
   a) 16:30-17:00 (35 places)  
   b) 17:15-17:45 (35 places)  
   c) 18:00-18:30 (35 places)  
Venue: LOW S3.7  
Language: EN
**Partner and youth activities and workshops**

**Code:** SUAdevelopment

**Sustainable Development – goals for youth, goals for Europe?**

Did you know that our governments have committed to a new 15-year global plan for achieving sustainable development locally and globally? Now they need to put it into action! Why is this plan more than ever relevant for Europe and for young people? What does it mean for the way we approach economics and social policies? What urgent changes do we need to see now? Join this workshop to learn about the Sustainable Development Goals and discover how young people and youth organisations can get involved to make change happen.

*Workshop*
Organised by the European Youth Forum

**Code:** SUAttip

**Free trade across the Atlantic Ocean: Fair or foul?**

In this workshop we will take a closer look at the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) and how it affects people, our planet and the fight for climate justice. Following the interactive presentation there will be time to ask questions and debate what youth organisations can do to address the issue of TTIP.

*Talk*
Organised by the European Youth Forum Climate Change Network and the European Students Union (ESU)

**Code:** SUAsecret

**“Cowspiracy”: The Sustainability Secret**

Ciné ONU: This eye-opening documentary reveals the devastating environmental impact large-scale factory farming has on our planet and investigates why the world's leading environmental organisation are too afraid to talk about it. Is animal farming the leading cause of deforestation, water consumption and pollution? Can we save the planet by changing our eating habits and moving to a meat-free diet?

*Documentary screening*
Organised by the United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC)
**Code: SUAkids**

**No kids please, we are Europeans**

Striving for environmental sustainability has become one of the key focuses of present leaders. The EU has put itself at the forefront of eco-friendliness. However, the demographic trends in certain EU countries threaten the sustainability of society as such. In this interactive workshop, participants will investigate how the concept of sustainability can be extended to population structures.

*Workshop*
Organised by MoveOnEurope

**Code: SUAmegatrends**

**Europe 2030: Megatrends shaping our future**

No one knows what the future holds, but we can at least try to predict it. Whether Europe will turn into a land of our dreams or the scene of a nightmare depends on many factors. Using driving forces in society, four potential scenarios will be developed that show how Europe may look in 2030. We will analyse past, present and future trends and try to determine how they might shape our societies, policies and borders. How can we stimulate positive developments and how can we correct negative trends?

*Workshop*
Organised by Croatian Youth Network

**Code: SUAambassador**

**Climate ambassador – a cool activity**

This workshop is addressed to people who want to be a climate ambassador. Participants engage in activities that address climate problems and find ways to reduce the negative impact climate change has on our earth. We hope to prepare the next generation of climate leaders for a sustainable Europe.

*Workshop*
Organised by Agros Environmental Group (Cyprus)
**Code: SUAwater**

**Ecosystems: No water – no life**

How can we protect our water-related ecosystems such as mountains, rivers and forests? How can we achieve access to safe and clean water for people in Europe and across the world?

*Workshop*

Organised by the World Youth Parliament for Water

**Code: SUAcities**

**Urban sustainability: The green transformation of our cities**

In this workshop, you will simulate the process of city planning in a role play game. Participants will share ideas about green areas, nature conservation, health challenges and social needs and these ideas will then be integrated into the development strategies for the city’s environment.

*Workshop*

Organised by University of Bucharest (Romania)

**Code: SUAdoorstep**

**Climate change on our doorstep**

How can we discuss climate protection after the International Climate Conference in Paris in December 2015? What role does energy, food and our way of living play? This workshop will look into different approaches to climate protection, including the scarcity of resources, food production processes, food chains, and the increase in worldwide hunger, as well as Europe’s role in energy distribution and our own consumer behaviour.

*Workshop*

Organised by the junior ambassadors of the German-French Youth Organisation (OFAJ)
YO!Fest partners in the hub

European Youth Forum | Alliance | Allianssi Finland | Federation of Young European Greens | International Falcon Movement-Socialist Educational International | International Union of Socialist Youth | International Young Nature Friends | Young European Socialists | Association Migration Solidarité et Échanges pour le Développement

What to expect in the hub?

Sustainability is not just a synonym for protecting the environment. Sustainable development affects all aspects of our daily life and the “Collapse or Success hub has plenty to keep you occupied! To tackle the big global issues and consider how we can have an impact, take the time to go to the hub and challenge your pre-conceptions.

- Take part in a “Sustainable Development Goals” treasure hunt to win sustainable prizes,
- Explore the role of the media in shaping politics and learn to critically analyse what you watch, hear and read,
- Learn about trade agreements and their potential impact on many areas of our lives,
- Explore the staggering scale of food waste in Europe and how you can have an impact,
- Learn about the devastating impact of meat production on climate change,
- Find out how you can reduce your carbon footprint and lobby governments to do their bit,
- Delve into the murky world of corporate lobbying.
YO!Fest partners in the hub
International Federation of Medical Students Associations | West Sussex Youth Cabinet | ACTIVE – Sobriety, Friendship and Peace | ENGSO Youth

What to expect in the hub?
The health and well-being of young people is a topic often overlooked. Come to the well-being zone, chill out, and focus on taking care of yourself and others! Explore a range of issues from basic life support to mental health and the importance of exercise. Challenge yourself to improve your diet and raise awareness of gender-based violence.

- Challenge the taboo: develop skills for maintaining good mental health,
- Make your pledge to stop violence against women,
- Question young people’s relationship to alcohol and stand up for responsible alcohol consumption,
- Take a breather in the chill-out area and chat informally about well-being,
- Try out sports activities and consider the role of sport in healthy lifestyles.
**Culture and arts for change**

**Code:** Cstage

**Life is a stage...**

*Two theatre plays*

**War, what if it were here?**

Based on the novel “War, what if it were here?” by Janne Teller, this play is fiction twisting reality: imagine a world in which the European states are at war, while there is peace in the Arab world. Everyday life in Europe is dominated by hunger, coldness, a serious housing shortage and the fear of bomb strikes. The democratic system has failed and fascist dictators have seized control of the government. This crisis situation is carefully examined from the point of view of different protagonists.

Performed by Kreisgymnasium St. Ursula (Gruppe: “Ausdruck macht Eindruck”) (Germany)

**Hello, it’s me**

This play raises questions on how young people can define their role in today’s ever-changing masses. Where do you stand in the world? How can you meet others, not to be left alone? Can you – and do you want to – actively respond to societal challenges, or should you turn a blind eye to them? How can you remove the labels that society has assigned to you?

Performed by Les Théatreux de Pécs (Hungary)

**Code:** Cexpress

**Express yourself: Music with a message**

*Two musicals*

**“European Wonderland”: We don’t care, we care**

This musical is inspired by the famous story of Alice in Wonderland. Instead of focusing on Alice, this play will show the story of the European “Wonderland” and address ideas about apathy, aggression, fear and participation.

Performed by English Student Theatre II Gimnazija Maribor (Slovenia)
Pop and pantomime for peace
This musical will combine music and pantomime and endeavour to show the audience the power of peace. It is inspired by Athenian Old Comedy, written and produced by the Greek playwright Aristophanes.

Performed by Youth Dynamics (Cyprus)

Code: Cshoes

In somebody else’s shoes...
Creative workshops and interactive performances

“Theatre of the oppressed”: A vibrant voice for victims
“Theatre of the oppressed” shows people that it is possible to actively influence social and political developments. In this play, we perform situations of bullying and involve spectators to give their contribution to the performance. By doing this, “Theatre of the oppressed” makes participants understand what it means to be both a bully and a victim of bullying.

Performed by Non Bull-Arti di Me Team (Italy)

Code: Cdanse

Alors on danse
Three artistic performances

Steps into the world of jobs
This Hungarian dance and music performance shows the story of young people starting their careers in Hungary and elsewhere in the EU. The characters represent different professions; they have just received their certificates and are seeking for a career with equal chances. The performance focuses on the obstacles these young people have to face and the different opportunities they receive in the world of work.

Performed by Friends from Hungary

Ships over troubled water
A modern dance about refugees who are trying to reach Europe in order to escape death and protect their children.

Performed by Apostolon Petrou Kai Paylou highschool (Cyprus)
“Paris is burning”. The day after
This performance mixes dance, piano music and theatre into one innovative and original performance of “hyper-art”.

Organised by the Federation of Regional Actors in Europe (Belgium)

**Code:** Cmusic

**Music is my life**

_Three music performances_

**A special job: Raising children**

This Maltese and English song, accompanied by a video, will illustrate the social impact on families in which the unemployed mother is responsible for the upbringing of the children. These mothers have to sacrifice their careers in order to devote their unpaid work to the family. The song conveys a message about family values: although young mothers don’t have a job with an income, they contribute to society by raising children and giving them all the support and motherly love that is most important to those children.

Performed by the MCAST Institute for the Creative Arts (Malta)

**Peace – yes, we are one and the same**

Latvian Songpower will sing popular songs about peace, such as Michael Jackson’s song “Black or White” and the audience will be invited to sing along specific verses of the songs.

Performed by Songpower (Latvia)

**Europe: Rhythm of change**

In this performance the audience will be introduced to the culture of brass music. Wind instruments such as trumpets, horns and trombones will be used to perform a variety of musical pieces. The music has a European character and resembles pieces from baroque times, the romantic period and contemporary music.

Performed by Men in Blech (Austria)
**Circus performances: A feast for the EYE(s)**

Enjoy an artistic performance created and performed by students from renowned European circus schools. The performance will be followed by a “meet & greet” with the young artists. Keep an eye open: you may also spot them in the YO!Village doing unscripted performances and animations.

**Artistic performances**
Organised by the European Federation of Professional Circus Schools (FEDEC)

**YOEUROPE Game Challenge**

**Code: Cplay**

**Meet and play**

Play the best digital games from YOEUROPE Game Challenge, and meet the young game developers.

**Digital Gaming**
Organised by Games for Change Europe

**Awards Ceremony**

As a conclusion to the YOEUROPE Game Challenge, the YOEUROPE Award Ceremony will honour the nominated games and their creators. The session will introduce participants into the exciting opportunities offered by games as activist tools. During the ceremony, the winning team of the 2016 Audience Award will be announced by the jury.

**Awards Ceremony**
Organised by Games for Change Europe

**Euroscola special: Voting time!**

Six hundred students from all over Europe will step into the shoes of the Members of the European Parliament for a day and debate draft resolutions relating to the five EYE themes in their committee meetings and vote on them during their closing plenary session. Come and see what they propose, and vote on their resolutions as well!

**Closing plenary session Euroscola Special**
Organised by the Information office of the European Parliament in Strasbourg

**Day, Time:**

- a) Friday 17:30-18:30
- b) Saturday 18:00-19:30

**Venue:** Magic Mirror, YO!Village, 80 places

**Day, Time:**

Saturday, 17:30-18:00

**Venue:** Swan bar, 150 places

**Languages:** EN, FR, DE
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EYE partners

**European Youth Forum**
The European Youth Forum is the platform of youth organisations in Europe. Independent, democratic, youth-led, it represents over 100 National Youth Councils and international youth organisations from across the continent. The European Youth Forum works to empower young people to participate actively in society to improve their own lives, by representing and advocating their needs and interests and those of their organisations vis-à-vis the European Union, the Council of Europe and the United Nations.

The European Youth Forum is the main EYE partner.

The European Parliament has teamed up with the Youth Forum to make sure the EYE is organised not only for, but also by young people. The Youth Forum is supporting the Parliament EYE2016 team in preparing the event, mobilising youth organisations and reaching out to young people across Europe. The Youth Forum is contributing to the overall EYE2016 programme by bringing YO!Fest, its annual political youth-led festival, to Strasbourg.

Mixing political debates, thematic workshops, educational activities with live music and artistic performances, YO!Fest will run its 7th edition for the second time in the context of the EYE.

**City of Strasbourg**
Strasbourg, seat not only of the European Parliament, but also of the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights, has a privileged place at the heart of Europe.

On the occasion of the European Youth Event, the City of Strasbourg is offering a welcome to the EYE participants in the old city and supporting the entire event.

**Institute of Political Sciences (IEP) of Strasbourg**
Created in 1945, the Institute of Political Sciences (IEP) of Strasbourg – “Science Po Strasbourg” – is a renowned public university which is part of the network of nine institutes of Political Sciences in France. The IEP selects graduates and students and guides them towards civil service and private sector careers.

The IEP Strasbourg has mobilised its students as volunteers to support the smooth running of the EYE. It is also organising a debate as part of the EYE panels.
European Youth Press

The European Youth Press (EYP) is an umbrella organisation of young journalists in Europe to which more than 60,000 journalists under the age of 30 are affiliated. The aim of the EYP and its member organisations is to inspire young people to become involved in the media and to play an active part in civil society by fostering objective and independent journalism.

During the European Youth Media Days, 120 young journalists from across the EU Member States will be in charge of the daily multi-media coverage of EYE 2016. The EYP’s final report will be handed over to the Members of the European Parliament in September 2016.

European Federation of Professional Circus Schools (FEDEC)

The European Federation of Professional Circus Schools (FEDEC) is a European and international network for professional circus arts education and training. Founded in 1998, the FEDEC has 55 members (schools, organisations, info centres, and employers), with the majority of the schools – 41 schools and 14 circus arts organisations – located in 24 European countries and beyond. FEDEC’s main mission is to support the development and evolution of training, creation, innovation, mobility and employment in the circus arts.

FEDEC circus schools will be performing during the EYE and discussing their work with participants.

ARTE – The European Culture Channel

The public-service television channel ARTE provides cultural programming for better relations among Europeans. It was founded in 1991 by France and Germany to promote understanding among European nations. 165 million households in Europe can receive ARTE programmes, 85% of which are produced in Europe. ARTE is financed by the TV licence, fee levied in Germany and France, and is based in Strasbourg.

ARTE is the main EYE media partner. The ARTE TV programme YOUROPE will be broadcast from the EYE. ARTE is organising workshops during the EYE, as well as providing moderators for EYE panels.
Games for Change Europe

Founded in 2013, Games for Change Europe promotes the creation and distribution of social impact games that serve as contemporary and sustainable tools in humanitarian and educational efforts and helps support and increase the growing interest in social impact games throughout Europe. The initiative is run by individuals from academia and industry, who frequently showcase best practice to the European public and discuss the potential of the medium with companies, organisations and governments. Thanks to its free and diverse structure, Games for Change Europe offers access to leading expertise and technology to help leverage entertaining games with non-entertainment goals and transform them into a compelling and convincing communication tool.

Games for Change Europe is co-organising five digital games sessions and panels linked to the EYE themes as well as a competition among young game developers for this year’s most compelling games for and about changing the face of Europe.

European Commission

The European Commission is the EU’s executive body and represents the interests of Europe as a whole (as opposed to the interests of individual countries).

The Commission – in the shape of the Directorate-General for Industry and Enterprise, the Directorate-General for Employment, the Directorate-General for Education and Culture and the Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid – will contribute a number of panel activities and workshops to the programme of the event.

European Space Agency (ESA)

The European Space Agency (ESA) is Europe’s gateway to space. Its mission is to shape the development of Europe’s space capability and ensure that investment in space continues to deliver benefits to the citizens of Europe and the world. Its job is to draw up the European space programme and carry it through. ESA is one of the few space agencies in the world to combine responsibility in nearly all areas of space activity: from the study of earth and its immediate space environment, to our Solar System and the Universe, to human spaceflight, robotic exploration and launchers, as well as satellite-based technologies and services. ESA is an international organisation with 22 Member States. By coordinating the financial and intellectual resources of its members, it can undertake programmes and activities far beyond the scope of any single European country.

ESA is co-organising panels, providing speakers and organising workshops during the EYE.
Council of Europe

The Council of Europe is an international organisation promoting cooperation among all the countries of Europe in the areas of legal standards, human rights, democratic development, the rule of law and cultural cooperation. The Council of Europe will contribute to the programme of the EYE with activities organised by its Youth Centre.

Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen / European Charlemagne Youth Prize

Alongside the “Charlemagne Prize Discussion” and “Charlemagne Prize Forum on Europe”, the Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen together with the European Parliament organises the “The European Charlemagne Youth Prize”. The prize aims to encourage the development of European consciousness among young people, as well as their participation in European integration projects. It is awarded to projects undertaken by young people that foster understanding, promote the development of a shared sense of European identity, and offer practical examples of Europeans living together as one community. “The European Charlemagne Youth Prize” is awarded jointly and annually by the European Parliament and the Foundation of the International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen. The Charlemagne Youth Prize will be organising a workshop related to the Twitter project @RealTimeWW1.