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Background information

Working group 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Life skills classes + Promote curiosity, self-development and responsibility (EYE2018 report, idea 16 and 17)2. Invest in technology for culture and heritage (EYE report, idea 11)
Working group 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Ensure access to education and health to all children in Europe regardless of their status (Europe kids want idea)4. Create an annual Q&A between EU leaders and young people (EYE report, idea 49)
Working group 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Use social media to inform young people about voting (EYE report, idea 48)6. Create a free anti-virus software for EU citizens (EYE report, idea 80)
Working group 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none">7. Smart cities and public transport (EYE report, idea 91)8. Encourage young people to stand in elections (EYE report, idea 47)
Working group 5	<ol style="list-style-type: none">9. Promote a plastic-free approach + Fund the removal of plastic from oceans (EYE report, ideas 94 and 95)10. Make rural areas more attractive for the youth (EYE report, idea 34)

1. Life skills classes + Promote curiosity, self-development and responsibility

- The Life Skills in Europe project (LSE) partners have proposed a [new definition of life skills](#) that they have been working on in the past year.
- Interactive infographic on “[Learning](#) throughout your life to obtain life skills” presented by European Parliamentary Research Service (EPRS)
- [Erasmus+](#) and the [Strategic framework](#) - Education and Training 2020 of the European Commission (EC)
- [Study of the European Parliament \(EP\) on digital skills in the 21st century](#) and recommendations for EU policy response to contemporary challenges
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - Education system - pp. 2-5, Digital education - pp. 5-7 Employment - pp. 10-17
- [EYE](#) follow-up Hearing in the Parliament’s Committee for Culture and Education (CULT) - The idea of Malou van Draanen Glismann on [What skills should be taught in schools?](#) (15:18:35 - 15:20:38)

2. Invest in technology for culture and heritage

- [European Year of Cultural Heritage](#) - EU projects
- Understand culture with the [help of digital technologies](#), Riches project
- Interactive experience with [CHESS](#). Shaping your own [cultural experience](#)
- [Bridging the gap](#) between museums and audiences. Article by The Guardian
- Forbes lists the countries with [the most UNESCO World Heritage Sites](#)

3. Ensure access to education and health to all children in Europe regardless of their status

- Framework for the realization of [children's right to education and rights within education](#) - UNESCO and UNICEF - Chapter 2, pp. 27-38
- World leaders unite under [new initiative to provide quality education](#) and training for young people
- [Right to education](#) as a fundamental right of every EU Citizen (EU Charter of Fundamental Rights)
- UNESCO's 17/18 Global Education Report states that [264 million children don't go to school](#)
- Study of the European Parliament (EP) on [inclusive education](#) for learners with disabilities
- [EYE](#) follow-up Hearing in the Parliament's Committee for Culture and Education (CULT)- The idea of Malou van Draanen Glismann on [East-West school partnership](#) (15:13:20 - 15:15:30)

4. Create an annual Q&A between EU leaders and young people

- POLITICO: [The EU matters to young people](#)
- Ministers [#YouthUp](#) the policy debate!
- European Youth Forum: [Let's youth up Europe!](#)
- A joint initiative of [UNICEF and Eurochild](#) calls all children and young people to speak up
- MEP Claude Moraes discussing Cambridge Analytica case and [answering people's questions](#)
[LIVE on Facebook](#)
- Young Political Leaders [Programme](#)
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - Youth involvement - pp. 60-61
- [EYE](#) follow-up Hearing in the Parliament's Committee for Culture and Education (CULT) - The idea of Martin Urschel on [EU in our neighbourhood](#) (15:46:33 - 15:49:43)

5. Use social media to inform young people about voting

- European Parliamentary Research Services (EPRS) Briefing: Election [campaigning on social media](#)
- European Parliament 2019 campaign “When everybody votes, everybody wins” [thistimeImvoting.eu](#)
- Independant.co.uk: [1.4 million young people](#) would vote in a second Brexit referendum
- Social media campaigns - [SWING THE VOTE](#), [People’s vote](#)
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - Youth involvement - pp. 55-58

6. Create a free anti-virus software for EU citizens

- European Parliamentary Research Services (ERPS) Study: Achieving a [trustworthy ICT industry in the EU](#)
- European Commission (EC) to increase open source for [software development](#)
- Forbes: [Open-source software](#) became the default business model
- The EU funded success story: The [SECURED](#) project
- [Open-source software](#) developed by the European Commission
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - Security - pp. 45-53;

7. Smart cities and public transport

- European innovation partnership on [smart cities and communities](#) supported by the European Commission
- EU strategy: Digital Single Market and [Smart cities](#)
- EU strategy: Energy and [smart cities](#)
- EU strategy: European cities in [numbers](#)
- EU strategy: The [Greening transport package](#)
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - Environmental Sustainability - pp. 33-36

8. Encourage young people to stand in elections

- EP elections factsheet - [from A to Z](#)
- European elections 2014 - [post-elections survey](#)
- Guardian.co.uk: [Why don't young people vote?](#) – Because school teaches them nothing about politics
- Irishtimes: Getting [young people to stand for elections](#) in Ireland
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - EU Democracy and Participation - pp. 54-69;
- [EYE](#) follow-up Hearing in the Parliament's Committee for Culture and Education (CULT) - The idea of Karolina Hołownia - Malinowska on [Young people in politics: Active citizenship ambassadors](#) (15:44:20 - 15:46:17)
- [Parlemeter 2018](#): From (silent) support to actual vote

9. Promote a plastic-free approach

- First-ever [Europe-wide strategy on plastics](#)
- European Parliamentary Research Services (ERPS) Briefing: [Plastics](#) in a circular economy
- European Parliamentary Research Services (ERPS) Briefing: Reducing [marine litter](#)
- Circular economy package - [proposals on waste](#)
- [Single-use cutlery to be banned](#)
- Plastics Strategy: [EU must heed example of best practices](#)
- [Hemicycle of ideas](#) - Environmental Sustainability - Waste, pollution and Water, oceans - pp. 40-42;

10. Make rural areas more attractive for the youth

- [Facts and figures](#) on the rural areas in the EU
- Guardian.co.uk: The [struggles](#) of the rural areas to recruit young people.
- European Commission (EC) supports call for [a smarter future](#) of rural areas
- Euractiv: Rural areas as key to [economic growth](#)