

Youth2EUrope Youth meeting

YOUTH EXCHANGE

It is important that young people are aware that they are the change-makers of the future and that their participation in voting and decision-making truly matters.

Youth2EUrope awareness campaigns aim to raise knowledge about the European Union, its institutions and elections 2024.

The Youth2EUrope Youth meeting took place from 1st – 7th May 2023 in Setubal, Portugal. During the Youth meeting, 25 young people from Croatia, Italy, Lithuania and Portugal further developed skills of active citizenship by increasing their knowledge about EU institutions, its values and priorities and the decision-making process. All the specific objectives of the youth meeting were reached:

- ❖ Increase youth knowledge of the European Parliament, decision-making, and its functions,
- ❖ Foster youth understanding of the European political agenda, its priorities, and policy-making processes,
- ❖ Inspire and increase youth awareness that the key to defining the future of the EU is the choice of young people and their active participation.

The participants will put their newly acquired knowledge into practice by [Youth exchange | Youth2EUrope Youth meeting](#)



implementing the awareness campaigns about the European Union and European elections 2024 developed during the Youth meeting. Expected awareness campaigns include podcasts, webinars, videos, and social media campaigns. Through awareness campaigns created and led by the young people, strategic advocacy work will have a positive impact by making their voices heard and encouraging other young people to be motivated to become active citizens. By implementing awareness campaigns, young people will reach those citizens who need to be more involved in civic participation in their everyday life. A consortium of 4 organisations is implementing the Youth2EUrope project: [Mano Europa](#) (Lithuania), [DKolektiv](#) (Croatia), [Glocal Factory](#) (Italy) and DYPALL Network under the CERV program.

OUTCOMES

- All the participants increased their knowledge and understanding of European institutions and its functions, and how the decision-making process works,
- Foster youth understanding of the European political agenda, its priorities, and policy-making processes,
- Inspire and increase youth awareness that the key to defining the future of the EU is the choices of young people and their active participation,
- The participants created a concrete action plan to foster the implementation of their awareness campaigns,
- The study visit to Centro de Cidadania Ativa was an inspiring example of how to reach the wider public with awareness campaigns.



To develop competencies in co-creation, of awareness campaigns



To increase knowledge about EU institutions, policies and agenda



To improve the competencies of young people so they can be the multipliers of the gained knowledge in their local realities

I learned how to cooperate with other people, especially those from different cultures.

Kotryna, volunteer in Mano Europa, Lithuania

I learned how democracy inside the European Parliament works and why it is so important for us youngsters to vote since it affects our future.

Inja, volunteer from DKolektiv, Croatia

Setubal, Portugal

1st - 7th May 2022



25
PARTICIPANTS

4
COUNTRIES

7
DAYS

4
PARTNERS

17
SESSIONS

HOW

The Youth meeting was based on the non-formal education methodology, which includes an equal responsibility between the trainers and the participants of their learning. Young participants got the opportunity to co-facilitate specific sessions.

TYPES OF AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

- Social media campaigns - interviews with young people
- Flash mobs
- Workshops led by young people
- Workshops led by EU representatives

PLANNING CONCRETE STEPS

- Awareness campaigns on importance of EU institutions and elections

METHODS

- Team building
- Role play
- Debate

Participants evaluation

100%
High & Very High
Quality Activity

81%
Positive opinion on
goals achievement

THE ACTIVITY

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