

## ADVISORY COUNCIL ON YOUTH (CCJ)

*Set up by the Committee of Ministers under Article 17 of the Statute of the Council of Europe and in accordance with Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods.*

**Type of committee:** Ad hoc Committee

Terms of reference valid from: **1 January 2018 until 31 December 2019**

PILLAR/SECTOR/PROGRAMME
<b>Pillar:</b> Democracy <b>Sector:</b> Promoting Participation and Diversity <b>Programme:</b> Youth for Democracy
MAIN TASKS
Under the authority of the Committee of Ministers, the Advisory Council on Youth (CCJ) will advise the Committee of Ministers on all questions relating to youth. Taking due account of relevant cross-cutting perspectives, the overall aim is to act as the non-governmental partner in the co-management structures of the youth sector (the governmental partner being the European Steering Committee for Youth - CDEJ); the CCJ and the CDEJ co-operate within the Joint Council on Youth (CMJ) in order to establish the priorities and expected results of the Council of Europe youth sector and the elaboration of youth policy standards.
SPECIFIC TASKS
(i) Contribute to the effective mainstreaming of youth policies in the Council of Europe programme of activities by formulating opinions and proposals on general or specific questions concerning youth in the Council of Europe; where appropriate, address these opinions and proposals to the Committee of Ministers or other bodies of the Council of Europe. The Advisory Council on Youth may also be invited by the Committee of Ministers to formulate opinions on general or specific questions concerning youth policy. (ii) Formulate opinions and proposals concerning the priorities, expected results and budget allocations for the youth sector. (iii) Promote the Council of Europe's youth policies within the Organisation and beyond. (iv) Designate, for two years, the CCJ members who shall be invited to represent it in the Programming Committee on Youth (CPJ), the co-management body in charge of establishing the programme of activities of the youth sector.
COMPOSITION
<b>Members:</b> 30 members: (i) 7 representatives of national youth councils properly constituted in the States party to the European Cultural Convention and other States which participate in the activities of the Youth Department's programme, designated by the Committee of Ministers on the proposal of the European Youth Forum; (ii) 13 representatives of international non-governmental youth organisations (INGYOs) designated by the Committee of Ministers on the proposal of the European Youth Forum; (iii) 10 representatives of non-governmental youth organisations or networks, not members of the European Youth Forum, designated by the Committee of Ministers on the proposal of the Secretary General.  The Council of Europe budget will bear the travel and subsistence expenses of each member.  <b>Participants:</b> The Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe may send one representative, without the right to vote and at the charge of its administrative budget.  <b>Observers:</b> The following may send representatives, without the right to vote and without defrayal of expenses: - European Youth Card Association (EYCA); - European Youth Forum.  The "Pool of European Youth Researchers" (PEYR), co-operating with the Council of Europe Youth Department and the European Commission in the framework of their partnership in the field of youth, will be invited to send a representative,

without the right to vote. The expenses of this representative are borne by the Council of Europe in derogation from Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods.

#### **WORKING METHODS**

##### **Meetings:**

2 meetings in 2018, 3 days.

2 meetings in 2019, 3 days.

Held in parallel with the meetings of the European Steering Committee for Youth (CDEJ).

##### **Bureau:**

Five members including the chair and vice-chair.

Two meetings of two days each per year, held in parallel with the meetings of the Bureau of the European Steering Committee for Youth (CDEJ).

The Advisory Council on Youth will establish its rules of procedure in derogation from the provisions of Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods.

##### **Additional working methods:**

Special meetings/events involving CCJ members.