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**Recommendation CM/Rec(2015)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States
on the access of young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods to social rights
“*Enter!* Recommendation”**

Process for the implementation and reviewing of the recommendation

**Item 8.2 on the agenda
for information**

Secretariat memorandum
prepared by the Youth Department

Directorate of Democratic Citizenship and Participation

Introduction

Adopted on 21 January 2015, [Recommendation CM/Rec\(2015\)3](#) recommends that “the governments of the member States develop and implement sustainable, evidence-based public policies that take into consideration the specific situations and needs of young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods. These policies should aim at preventing and eradicating the poverty, discrimination, violence and exclusion faced by such young people [...]”

The text also recommends that “authorities responsible for youth in the member States ensure that this recommendation, including its appendix, is translated and disseminated as widely as possible, in particular among young people using youth-friendly means of communication.”

Follow-up of the implementation of the Recommendation

The proposals below are prepared at the request of the Joint Council on Youth and take into account the text of the recommendation and the proposals of the participants of the second *Enter!* Youth Meeting.

The primary responsibility for the implementation of the recommendation lies with member States; however, both youth organisations and the Council of Europe have important roles to play in this respect.

Implementation

1. Member States

- 1.1 Translate, publish and disseminate the text of the recommendation including, when possible, relevant, simplified user-friendly versions
- 1.2 Prepare strategies, plans or measures to disseminate and apply measures of the recommendation in specific disadvantaged neighbourhoods, notably in cooperation with local authorities and youth services, including youth centres
- 1.3 Involve youth councils, local authorities and youth centres in the definition and implementation of the strategies
- 1.4 Promote the sharing of practices and exchange of experiences among partners and stakeholders at both national and European levels
- 1.5 Contribute to the periodical review and exchange on the implementation of the recommendation.

2. Youth organisations

- 2.1 Advocate for rights-based approaches in youth policy
- 2.2 Support the dissemination of the recommendation
- 2.3 Initiate and take part in the implementation of projects based on the recommendation
- 2.4 Promote the sharing of practices and exchange of experiences among partners and stakeholders at both national and European levels
- 2.5 Contribute to the periodical review and exchange on the implementation of the recommendation.

3. *Council of Europe (Youth Department)*

- 3.1 Develops and publishes youth and user-friendly versions of the recommendation
- 3.2 Develops and disseminates educational tools about the recommendation and awareness of social rights
- 3.3 Initiates pilot training activities associating municipal youth work services of a number of selected cities interested in implementing specific measures of the recommendation
- 3.4 Publicises practices and initiatives undertaken by public authorities and youth organisations (database with examples of good practice)
- 3.5 Includes the recommendation and its principles in other relevant areas of its work (youth policy development, quality label of youth centres, etc.)
- 3.6 Coordinates with and involves the Congress in the process

Reviewing

Every 3-4 years a review of the implementation of the recommendation will be prepared under the authority of the Joint Council on Youth, including:

- Measures undertaken by the member States and, where possible, results achieved
- Projects and initiatives by youth organisations
- Plans or projects carried out by or with local authorities
- An analysis of the practices and projects shared in the database of good practices.

Each review process should include, or culminate in, a meeting including youth work practitioners, local authorities and young people (following the model of [the Enter! Youth Meetings](#)).