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To youth organisations cooperating with the Council of Europe youth sector

We are pleased to inform you that the process for applications for activities to be held in co-operation with the European Youth Centres in the second semester of 2019 is now open. These activities concern, for the main part, study sessions and "special projects". The specific conditions and criteria for the activities are appended to this message, together with an application form.

The programme of activities for 2019 has been decided by the Programming Committee on Youth according to the expected results decided by the Joint Council on Youth for the biennium 2018-2019. Taking into account the study sessions already included in the first semester, we invite you to submit proposals for activities falling within the following expected results and thematic priorities:

1. **Access to rights:** Young people and youth organisations have been supported in accessing their rights and advocating human rights and citizenship education.
 - Two study sessions on access of young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods to social rights
 - Two study sessions on human rights education with young people
2. **Youth participation and youth work:** Youth organisations and member States have been supported in developing youth policy and youth work for democratic participation of young people
 - One study session on youth participation
 - Two study sessions on digital citizenship and Internet Governance
3. **Inclusive and peaceful societies:** Youth workers and youth organisations have been supported in their work on peace-building and intercultural dialogue to prevent and combat discrimination, exclusion and violent extremism.
 - One study session on Roma youth participation and antigypsyism
 - One study session on social inclusion with a focus on young refugees and migrants
 - One study session on anti-discrimination and intersectionality
 - One study session on intercultural learning and dialogue

In addition to these 11 sessions, the 2019 programme foresees the possibility for up to 3 in a reserve list pending availability of budgetary resources.

For the Council of Europe, study sessions represent an important way of associating young people to our youth policy mission and a concrete means of support to youth organisations and networks, notably by covering the costs of the activity and providing educational support.

Youth organisations and networks intending to apply for a study session for the second semester of 2019 should send their application by **1 October 2018** to eyc.studysessions@coe.int.

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