

**ECYC**European Confederation  
of Youth Clubs

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### Online Study Session

Organised by European Confederation of Youth Clubs (ECYC)  
in co-operation with the European Youth Centre (Strasbourg)

## Day by day programme

### *Preparatory activities*

Preparatory panel on Education and training of youth workers, 9 February 2021 with:  
Tanya Basarab - Coordinator a.i. Research and Youth Policy Officer at the EU-CoE youth partnership  
Dr. Tobias Frenssen, lecturer in Arts Teacher Education and researcher in Science Education at UC Leuven-Limburg  
Diana Yeghiazaryan, Vice-President ECYC

### *Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2021*

17:00 Welcome and Youth Work Trivia  
Getting to know each other

### *Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021*

09:30 Opening of the activity, introduction of the participants  
Introduction to the Study Session's background, aims and objectives  
Programme and Methodology  
11:00 Break  
11:30 Expectations and needs of the participants  
Introduction to ECYC and the Youth Department of the Council of Europe  
13:00 Lunch

- 14:00 Virtual Team Building, Group Commitment/Agreement  
16:00 Closing of the day

### ***Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021***

- 09:30 From local to European: Youth Work and Education of Youth Workers – exchange of experiences of the participants  
Making connections with the Council of Europe’s Committee of Ministers  
Recommendation on Youth Work and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Youth Work Convention
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 *Council of Europe’s Recommendation on Youth Work and the 3<sup>rd</sup> European Youth Work Convention: Youth Work Education within the European policies, practice and research*, input and exchange with Antje Rothmund, Head of the Youth Department
- 13:00 Lunch break
- 14:30 Mapping Youth Worker Education in Europe  
Formal and non-formal education for youth workers  
Degrees and higher education trends in youth work (National, Regional, European)
- 15:30 Break
- 16:00 Panel Discussion: Policy, Research and Practice – the current issues on the agenda  
Howard Williamson  
Jóna Rán Pétursdóttir  
Cosmin Catana
- 17:00 Closing of the Day

### ***Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021***

- 09:30 Reflection Groups
- 10:00 Innovation in education and training of youth workers  
Online youth work: current challenges based on participant’s experiences and practice
- 12:00 Lunch break
- 13:00 Open Space sessions
- 17:00 *Optional Chill-Out Lounge*

### ***Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021***

- 09:30 Individual preparation for sharing best practices and tools
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Education and training of youth workers as a step for Recognition of youth work  
Education and training for voluntary / paid youth workers
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Resources and tools youth work educators – exchange good practices
- 16:00 Panel Discussion: Good practices for education and training of youth workers  
Hanna Krämer-Erklavec  
Hilary Tierney  
Edgar Schlümmer
- 17:00 Closing of the Day

**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

- 09:30 Reflection Groups
- 10:00 Developing (Personal) Action Plans:  
Influence towards Youth Policy / Research / Practice
- 12:00 Networking and Peer Support
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Follow-up and conclusions  
Possibilities for support from ECYC and the Council of Europe  
Evaluation
- 16:00 Closing of the online study session

### **Aim and objectives of the Online Study Session on Education and Training of Youth Workers in Europe Today**

Aim: To empower youth workers and youth work educators to engage in the creation of frameworks for education and training for youth workers, based on the Council of Europe's Recommendation on Youth Work and the European Youth Work Agenda.

#### **Objectives:**

1. To present and explore different practices and current developments in youth work education, both formal and non-formal, as well as the policy frameworks in Europe, including the Council of Europe's Recommendation on Youth Work.
2. To understand the possibilities for development of youth work education based on the conclusions of the European Youth Work Convention 2020
3. To explore the European Youth Work Portfolio, as well as other youth work education materials, such as the T-kit series and the work of the "Expert group on researching education and career paths of youth workers"
4. To create an enabling space for peer-learning and exchange of best practices on youth work education.
5. To develop action plans on education and training of youth workers which will guide the advocacy and programmes of ECYC member organisations at local, regional or national level.