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## Study session

# “AGENTS OF CHANGE: EMPOWERING EUROPEAN MINORITY YOUTH TO PROMOTE PEACEFUL AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”

Study session organised within the [Youth for Democracy programme](#) in cooperation with the [Unrepresented Nations and Peoples Organization](#) (UNPO) and [European Free Alliance Youth](#) (EFAY)

European Youth Centre Strasbourg, room 0.1  
17 – 22 October 2022

## Draft Programme

### Sunday, 16 October 2022

Arrival of participants  
19:00 Dinner  
20:00 Welcome evening

### Monday, 17 October 2022

09:30 Opening with Introduction to Study Session, Introduction to the Council of Europe and Youth Department with *Rui Gomes*, Head of Education and Training Division, Youth Department and *Agata Stajer*, Educational Advisor, Youth Department  
11:00 Break  
11:30 Team Building Activity: Let's build our community  
13:00 Lunch  
14:30 Building the foundation: Human Rights and the Council of Europe Legal Framework  
16:00 Break  
16:30 Identifying issues: Human Rights and Legal Framework

18:00 Reflection Groups  
19:00 Dinner  
21:00 Pub Quiz

## **Tuesday, 18 October 2022**

09:30 Self-Determination and Conflict Prevention I: *Promoting inclusive and peaceful societies.*  
11:00 Break  
11:30 Self-Determination and Conflict Prevention II: *International strategies in self-determination-related conflict spaces*  
*Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding work of the Youth Department of the Council of Europe with Agata Stajer, Educational Advisor*  
13:00 Lunch break  
14:30 Self-Determination and Public Participation I: *Understanding and framing causes in the context of the right to self-determination - Tendor Dorjee, non-violent resistance expert*  
16:00 Break  
16:30 Self-Determination and Public Participation II: *Principles, strategies and approaches of non-violent movements - Tendor Dorjee, non-violent resistance expert*  
18:00 Reflection Groups  
19:00 Dinner

## **Wednesday, 19 October 2022**

09:30 Conference on reprisals, safety and security in Europe for self-determination activists (EP) Hosted by MEPs Gregorova/Picierno – *Taking place in the European Parliament*  
11:00 Break  
11:30 Theory of case: *A model to identify the most important facts when we present a legal issue*  
13:00 Lunch break  
14:30 Theory of case: *Putting the model into practice*  
16:00 Break  
16:30 Self-determination & Public Participation III: *Promoting the right to self-determination through political parties and processes*  
18:00 Reflection Groups  
19:00 Dinner  
21:00 Movie night

## **Thursday, 20 October 2022**

09:30 Self-determination & Climate change: *How self-determination movements and movement to combat climate change intersect*  
11:00 Break  
11:30 Model UNPO – Preparation  
13:00 Lunch  
Free Afternoon in the city  
19:00 Dinner in the EYCS

Free time

### **Friday, 21 October 2022**

09:30 Model UNPO - *Taking place in the European Parliament*  
11:00 Break  
11:30 Model UNPO - *Taking place in the European Parliament*  
13:00 Lunch  
14:30 Model UNPO - *Taking place in the European Parliament*  
16:00 Break  
16:30 Model UNPO - *Taking place in the European Parliament*  
18:00 Reflection Group  
19:00 Dinner  
Free time

### **Saturday, 22 October 2022**

09:30 Model UNPO Reflection and conceptualisation  
10:15 Tool Fair with UNPO Presidency  
11:00 Break  
11:30 How to create youth projects?  
13:00 Lunch  
14:30 Creating youth projects: planning follow-up activities  
16:00 Break  
16:30 Closing and evaluation  
18:00 Free time  
20:00 Official Dinner

### **Sunday, 23 October 2022**

Departure of participants

## **Aim and objectives of the Study Session “Agents of Change : Empowering european minority youth to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development”**

### **Aim:**

The overall aim is to promote more inclusive, peaceful and sustainable societies in Europe and abroad through promoting increased political and civic participation of European minorities.

### **Objectives:**

- Increase knowledge around the principles underlying the UN Sustainable Development Goal 16 on justice, inclusive and peaceful societies and its interrelationship with other SDGs, in particular related to climate and the environment, and health;
- Build an understanding of the mechanisms that exist within Europe to promote the implementation of the goal and to combat racism and discrimination;

- Empower European minority youth to engage in political and civic processes, promote UN SDG 16 and engage in public health and climate programming;
- Further consolidate the pan-European minority youth movement, including both national minorities and more recent communities, sparked in the September 2021 study session.