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GREEN PERSPECTIVES ON EUROPEAN SECURITY

Study session organised within the [Youth for Democracy programme](#)
in cooperation with [CDN](#), [FYEG](#), and [GEF](#)

European Youth Centre Budapest, room BC

23-28 October 2023

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PROGRAMME**

Sunday, 22 October 2023

Arrival of participants

19:00 Dinner

20:30 Welcome evening

Monday, 23 October 2023

09:30 Opening with Introduction to Study Session,
Intro of aims & objectives of the Study Session / Expectations & programme.

11:00 Break

11:30 Group Building activity
Opportunity to get to know the group and set agreements for working and living together.

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Trustbuilding activity
Opportunity to build trust and have a common understanding about the role of trust throughout the study session.

16:00 Break

16:30 Terminology of Peace and Security
Building a common understanding about the terminology related to peace and security.

18:00 Reflection groups
Each evening participants will have the opportunity to reflect on their learning, on their contribution to learning, and on how the study session is going.

19:00 Dinner

21:00 First Steps to Networking: Organisational Fair (optional)

Tuesday, 24 October 2023

09:00 Morning Circles: *At the start of each that this session will provide an introduction of the day and how/if the day is adapted according to the feedbacks from the reflection groups of the day before.*

09:20 Exchange with **Marcos Andrade**, *Deputy Executive Director, European Youth Centre Budapest*

09:30 Explaining imperialism and its effects on current security challenges, with **Bohdana Neborak**, *Independent Journalist, Ukraine*

11:00 Break

11:30 Security in response to imperialism: overcoming challenges.

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Defence vis-a-vis peace: different approaches to peace

16:00 Break

16:30 Human Rights Education as a tool for peace

18:00 Reflection groups

- 19:00 Dinner
21:00 Board games (optional)

Wednesday, 25 October 2023

- 09:00 Morning Circles
09:30 Human rights vis-a-vis imperialism: *Exploring how the challenges we face today can be linked with imperialism.*
11:00 Break
11:30 Decolonising human rights: *Exploring how to overcome the current challenges against peace through decolonialist perspective.*

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Queer feminist security policy: *Discovering queerfeminist security policies as a tool for peacebuilding.*
16:00 Break
16:30 (Anti)Racism and security: *Identifying and counteracting intersections between the two notions.*
18:00 Reflection groups

19:00 Dinner
21:00 Movie night (optional)

Thursday, 26 October 2023

- 09:30 Security through wellbeing
Understanding *social aspects and wellbeing as factors of peace*
11:00 Break
11:30 Ecology and peace: political ecology
Understanding how wars effect ecology and how peace process should also include ecological approach.

13:00 Lunch

Free afternoon

19:00 Dinner out

Friday, 27 October 2023

- 09:30 Energy security
With **Olena Rutkovska**, NGO "Khmelnitsky Energy Cluster" Ukraine, expert on energy security and **Morgan Henley**, Bankwatch Network, Belgium
11:00 Break
11:30 Democracy and civil society
With **Bálint Mikola**, Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Democracy Institute, Central European University, Hungary

13:00 Lunch

- 14:30 Detecting and reacting to propaganda.
With **Iryna Zemlyana**, Institute for Mass Information, Ukraine
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 Digital security
With **Anastasiya Zhyrmont**, *NGO 'Access Now', Germany*
Mert Seymen Renkmen, *Key-Expert, European Union Sivil Dusun II and III programme, Turkey.*
- 18:00 Reflection group
- 19:00 Dinner
- 21:00 Case Study: The effects of issue-specific and system-specific security policies on army formation (optional)

Saturday, 28 October 2023

- 09:30 Collective Reactions: the work of Council of Europe in Ukraine and other international organisation, with **Olena Chernykh**, Council of Europe "Youth for Democracy" project in Ukraine (online)
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Developing a toolkit on new approaches to security.
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:30 Developing and presenting the toolkit.
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 Evaluation and closing.
- 19:00 Dinner
- 21:00 Farewell party

Aim and objectives of the Study Session

The aim of the study session is to rethink and build a common understanding of European security in the context of new global challenges and through intersectional approaches, guided by the values of democracy, the rule of law, self-determination, human rights, and fundamental freedoms, as well as to create tangible outputs for future initiatives by FYEG and CDN and their respective member organisations.

Objectives:

1. Fostering intercultural dialogue between youth from different European countries by providing a space to discuss the concept of security intersectionally;
2. Exploring the concept of security as at the intersection of diverse societal factors, and the effects of the interrelationship of security with various societal factors on policy decisions;

3. Deepening the participants' understanding of the current state of affairs of security in Europe, existing approaches to the concept of security and their strengths and weaknesses, and perspectives and lived experiences of those outside their lived contexts;
4. Exploring the role of young people to ensure sustainable and resilient security and peace in European countries, and the tools and solutions at their disposal to do so, such as Human Rights Education and collective action;
5. Through these explorations, working towards concrete outputs that set out common learnings and understandings gained to act as a referential resource for future actions and initiatives of FYEG, CDN, their respective member organisations, and other organisations represented centred on these themes;
6. Motivating participants to push organisations, be it FYEG, CDN, their respective member organisations, or other organisations they are involved in, to consider security issues on their agenda and further develop the topic in their platforms.