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Youth Participation in Digital Governance: where to engage?



A consultative meeting about youth participation in Digital Governance and its role in the 2030 Strategy of the Council of Europe youth sector.

European Youth Centre, Strasbourg

29-30 November 2023

Draft **PROGRAMME**
LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Tuesday 28 November

Arrivals of participants

Self-organised dinner

Wednesday 29 November

09:30 Welcome and opening

Introduction to programme and objectives of the meeting
Getting to know participants of the meeting

10:00 State of affairs on Youth Participation in Internet Governance

NADIA TJAHJA, Co-Coordinator of the Digital Governance Cluster; PhD Fellow at the United Nations University

11:00 Discussion and reflection

11:30 Break

12:00 The Council of Europe's work on digital governance

- RODICA CIOCHINA, Media and Internet Governance Division
- ARZU-BURCU TUNER, Education Department
- MENNO ETTEMA, No Hate Speech and Co-operation Unit

Discussion

13:15 Lunch

14:30 Sharing participants' experiences in working groups

16:30 Break

17:00 The Youth Department and Digital Governance, introduction by RUI GOMES, Head of Education and Training Division, Council of Europe

18:30 Welcome drink

Self-organised dinner

Thursday 30 November

09:30 Opening of the meeting and review of the previous day

10:00 Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the Council of Europe, with:

- EUGEN POPESCU, Council of Europe Committee on Artificial Intelligence
- IDA KREUTZMAN, Youth Department of the Council of Europe

10:30 Exchange on AI, human rights and youth work, with:

- HIBA LATRECHE, Forum of European Muslim Youth and Student Organisations
- ILLAN ACHER, Amnesty International Switzerland
- ROBERTA BOJANG, Youth EU AU

11:30 Break

12:00 Youth Participation in Digital Governance: What's in it for us?

Mapping opportunities, experiences and challenges related to AI and youth participation in digital governance

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Prioritising future action and policy (in working groups)

- Identifying needs and participatory spaces in respect to digital governance
- How should the Youth Department and youth organisations respond to those needs?
- Which areas of work should be a priority?

15:30 Break

16:00 Reporting from working groups and summary by rapporteur

Self-organised dinner

Friday 1 December

Departure of participants

Objectives of Consultative Meeting

The consultative meeting will bring together youth workers or experts in the field of youth participation in digital and Internet Governance:

- To review the current and recent developments in Digital Governance, especially those connected with youth participation and young people's access to rights;
- To create a common understanding and overview of how the topic of youth participation in digital governance relates to the work of the Youth Department, especially in relation to the current priorities of the Youth Sector and in relation to connected topics (Artificial Intelligence Literacy, digital citizenship education, youth participation...);
- To make proposals to consistently integrate a focus on digital governance in Youth for Democracy programme in the period 2024-2027, particularly in respect to non-formal education and youth work, human rights education and youth participation;
- To provide direction for future contributions to, or participation in, external processes on digital governance, and identify spaces and conditions for meaningful youth participation.

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