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Budapest, 27 October 2023

TAKE INITIATIVE

Study session organised within the [Youth for Democracy programme](#)
in cooperation with the [Erasmus Student Network](#)

European Youth Centre Budapest, room BC
6-11 November 2023

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PROGRAMME

Sunday, 5 November 2023

Arrival of participants

19:00 Dinner

21:00 Welcome evening

Monday, 6 November 2023

09:30 Opening with introduction to study session
with BALINT MOLNAR, Executive Director, European Youth Centre Budapest and
ANJA MILIJKOVIC, Course Director, Erasmus Students Network (ESN)

11:00 Break

11:30 Realities of young people

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Defining key terms and stakeholders – learning about key terms and stakeholders.
connected to youth participation.

16:00 Break

16:30 Briefing on the production of the ESN Charter on Youth Participation- *introduction to
the creation of the Charter as an output of the study session*

18:00 Reflection groups

19:00 Dinner

21:00 Social programme

Tuesday, 7 November 2023

09:30 Ladder of participation- learning about the model and its importance

11:00 Break

11:30 Importance and forms of youth (non)participation- diving deeper into the topic of
youth participation, its different forms, and connection to the ESN

13:00 Lunch break

14:30 Importance and forms of youth participation- diving deeper into the topic of youth
participation, its different forms, and connection to the ESN (continued)

16:00 Break

16:30 Impact of meaningful youth participation- exploring the examples of youth
participation and assessing their impact.

18:00 Working on the ESN Charter in groups.

19:00 Dinner

21:00 Social programme

Wednesday, 8 November 2023

09:30 Opportunities and barriers to participation - discovering the opportunities and
challenges young people face when it comes to meaningful participation.

11:00 Break

11:30 Opportunities and barriers to participation - discovering the opportunities and
challenges young people face when it comes to meaningful participation (continued)

- 13:00 Lunch break
- 14:30 The Council of Europe standards in the field of youth participation: Learning more about the co-management system and the Revised European Charter on the Participation of Young People in Local and Regional Life with GIANCLUCA ROSSINO, member of the Advisory Council on Youth, Council of Europe
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 The Council of Europe standards in the field of youth participation: Learning more about the guidelines on youth participation with GIANCLUCA ROSSINO, member of the Advisory Council on Youth, Council of Europe
- 18:00 Working on the ESN Charter in groups.
- 19:00 Dinner
- 21:00 Social programme

Thursday, 9 November 2023

- 09:30 Stakeholders management- identifying important stakeholders and learning how to engage with them.
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Learning to advocate- reflecting and learning how to engage with the concept of advocacy
- 13:00 Lunch

Free Afternoon in Budapest

- 19:00 Dinner out in the city

Friday, 10 November 2023

- 09:30 Introduction and creation of outputs of the study session- *working on the outputs of the study session including finalisation of the ESN Charter on Youth Participation*
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Creation of the outputs
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:30 Creation of the outputs (continued)
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 Creation of the outputs and feedback- *working on the outputs of the study session and receiving feedback from the trainers*
- 18:00 Reflection
- 19:00 Dinner
- 21:00 Social programme

Saturday 11 November 2023

- 09:30 Presentation of the outputs- finalising the outputs and presenting them
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Dissemination in the ESN- *discussing how to share the knowledge and findings from the study session through the Erasmus Students Network*

13:00 Lunch
14:30 Personal Action Plan- *creating a personal follow-up action plan*
16:00 Break
16:30 Evaluation and closing.
19:00 Dinner
21:00 Social Programme

Sunday 12 November 2023

Departure of participants

Aim and objectives of the study session "Take Initiative".

The aim of the session is to empower participants to meaningfully participate and contribute to matters that concern young people including policy and political processes at local, national and international level.

Objectives:

1. To understand realities of young people and reflects on participants' role in responding to youth needs.
2. To increase awareness and understanding of youth (non) participation including tools and approaches for supporting meaningful participation youth participation in practise.
3. To identify barriers and opportunities for youth participation and key actors (ESN, public sectors, NGOs, private sector, etc.) supporting meaningful youth participation processes.
4. To increase the knowledge of the participants about the key documents in the field of pluralistic democracy and youth participation including the Council of Europe standards and tools such as (Revised European Charter on the Participation of Young People in Local and Regional Life; and "Have your say" manual).
5. To support participants in developing an youth participation toolkit and plan impactful activities to act as multipliers for meaningful youth participation in the ESN and beyond.