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ACCESS! - Training Course for Local Action on Young People's Social Rights

Residential Seminar

6-11 October 2026

European Youth Centre in Strasbourg, France

Daily Programme

5 October, Monday

Arrivals of participants

19:00 Dinner

20:30 Welcome Evening

6 October, Tuesday

09.30	Official opening of the seminar with <i>Sophie KWASNY, Head of Education, Training and Cooperation Division, Youth Department, Council of Europe</i> Introduction of the participants and teams Introduction to the objectives, programme, and methodology of the training course Expectations and contributions towards the programme
11.00	Break
11.30	Team-building activity
13.00	Lunch break
14.30	Local realities of participating teams – exploration and sharing
16.00	Break
16.30	Local realities – exploration and sharing (continued)
18.00	Access! Learning groups: group work to share the learning of the day
19.00	Dinner
20.30	Access! Intercultural party

7 October, Wednesday

09.30	Social Rights as human rights: social rights' characteristics
11.00	Break
11.30	Social Rights dilemmas and Council of Europe mechanisms to protect them with <i>Ziya TANYAR, Secretariat of the European Committee of Social Rights, Council of Europe</i>
13.00	Lunch break
14.30	Social Rights and Enter! Recommendation: Policies that support young people to claim for their social rights
16.00	Break
16.30	Enter! Recommendation in practice: how young people, youth workers and policy makers can use them at local level
18.00	Access! learning groups: group work to share the learning of the day
19.00	Dinner break
20.30	Board games night - optional

8 October, Thursday

09.30	(Youth) policies at the local level: how they are designed, managed and evaluated
11.00	Break
11.30	Rights-based policies vs. needs-based policies: what's the crucial difference when working with young people?
13.00	Lunch break in Palais de l'Europe, seat of the Council of Europe
15.30	Meeting the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, <i>Room 11, Palais de l'Europe with Maren LABRECHT and Ivana DALESSANDRO</i>
16.30	Free afternoon
19.00	Dinner in town
20.30	Free evening

9 October, Friday

09.30	Meaningful youth participation – an introduction
11.00	Break
11.30	Meaningful youth participation in our local realities
13.00	Lunch break
14.30	How to enhance meaningful youth participation
16.00	Break
16.30	Inter-sectoral cooperation and advocacy as a key action to support meaningful youth participation
18.00	Access! learning groups: group work to share the learning of the day
19.00	Festive Dinner

10 October, Saturday

09.30	Exploring our motivation behind our Access! Local actions
11.00	Break
11.30	Mapping the needs of young people in our local realities to design meaningful Access! local actions
13.00	Lunch break
14.30	Designing Access! Local Actions in details
16.00	Break
16.30	Designing Access! Local Actions in details
18.00	Access! learning groups: group work to share the learning of the day
19.00	Dinner break
20.30	Access! Community of practice creation meeting - optional

11 October, Sunday

09.30	Workshops to support the Access! Local actions implementation
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11.00	Break
11.30	Finalisation of the Access! Local actions planning
13.00	Lunch break
14.30	Sharing Access! Local actions
16.00	Break
16.30	Identification of Access! Next steps
18.00	Final evaluation Closing of the seminar with - Antonio SERON DIEGUEZ, European Steering Committee for Youth, Spain, Council of Europe
19.00	Dinner break
20.30	Access! Final party

12 October, Monday

Departure of participants

ABOUT ACCESS

[ACCESS! - Training course for local action on young people's social rights](#) serves as a capacity-building and policy-support initiative aimed at strengthening local implementation of the [Recommendation CM/Rec\(2015\)3](#) on the access of young people from disadvantaged neighborhoods to social rights at local level through multi-stakeholder cooperation in the format of long-term blended learning process combining a residential seminar.

Building on the experience and legacy of [the Enter! long-term training courses](#), ACCESS! introduces a renewed approach focused on local policy development, intersectoral cooperation with active participation of young people and youth workers in shaping local action for social rights. The course is designed to support local ecosystems capable of addressing barriers to young people's access to social rights through coordinated and rights-based responses.

The course combines training, peer learning, mentoring and local action processes. It supports participants in analysing local realities, strengthening cooperation across sectors, involving young people meaningfully in decision-making and developing policy responses addressing social inequalities and exclusion.

Course aim and objectives

The ACCESS! aims to strengthen the competencies of the participating teams towards the implementation of youth policies that are aligned with the [Recommendation CM/Rec\(2015\)3](#) on the access of young people from disadvantaged neighborhoods to social rights at local level.

The objectives are:

1. To support local authorities, youth organisations, youth work providers and other stakeholders in developing coordinated and participatory local responses to challenges affecting young people's access to social rights;

2. To support the cooperation between youth policy, social services, housing, education, health and other relevant sectors at local level and promote sustainable local partnerships capable of addressing inequalities, discrimination and social exclusion affecting young people.
3. To strengthen the knowledge and understanding of social rights and the capacity of participants to apply rights-based and youth-centred approaches in local policy development and service provision
4. To support meaningful participation of young people in local decision-making processes related to social rights and inclusion.
5. To encourage the creation of a European community of practice among local actors committed to advancing young people's social rights through local democratic action.

More information about the training course is available at [ACCESS!](#)
[Training Course 2026 - Enter! Access to Social Rights for Young People](#)