

AP/Carte-J (2021) PV46

Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card

46th meeting of the Board of Co-ordination

8 October 2021

ON-LINE

REPORT

1. Welcome and opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by Jose Sousa (EYCA, Movijovem, Portugal), the current chair of the Board of Co-ordination. The list of participants appears in the Appendix to the report.

2. Adoption of the agenda

AP/Carte-J(2021)OJ46 and annotated

The Board of Co-ordination adopted the agenda of the current meeting as it appears in the reference document AP/Carte-J(2021)OJ46.

3. Report of the 45th meeting of the Board of Co-ordination

AP/Carte-J (2021)PV45

The Board of Co-ordination took note of the report of its 45th meeting as it appears in document AP/Carte-J(2021)PV45.

4. Information on the next Board of Co-ordination for the term of office 2022-2023 AP/Carte-J(2021)3

The term of office of the current Board of Co-ordination would come to an end on 31 December 2021. According to paragraph 5 of Appendix I to Resolution ResAP(2003)1 instituting the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card, eight governmental representatives out of

the twenty-two member States Parties to the Partial Agreement¹, were to be nominated to the Board of Co-ordination for the mandate of 2022-2023. The list of candidate states would be submitted to the Committee of Ministers for adoption before the end of 2021.

The secretariat noted that all current Board members were eligible for re-election except Slovenia which had served two consecutive mandates and the secretariat thanked Slovenian representatives for their commitment to the Partial Agreement.

5. Implementation of the programme of activities 2021

AP/Carte-J(2020)2, *AP/Carte-J*(2021)5² <u>Link to presentations</u>, *AP/Carte-J*(2021)6³, *AP/Carte-J*(2021)7⁴, *AP/Carte-J*(2021)8⁵, *AP/Carte-J*(2021)10⁶, Updated website

The secretariat and EYCA Director updated the Board of Co-ordination on the implementation of the Partial Agreement's programme of activities 2021. The concept notes of the three Partial Agreement's up-coming events were available as reference documents. The secretariat thanked the Hungarian authorities, the Slovenian partners in SLOAM, particularly Jan Peloza – the current EYCA President – and the Maltese authorities for their co-operation and investment into the Partial Agreement events.

In 2020 short questionnaires were sent to the Partial Agreement member states, non-member states and EYCA member organisations as part of the work programme of 2020 to get their feedback on various issues linked to the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility. The results were analysed and compounded in 2021. EYCA Director presented them and shared some insights from them that influenced the work programme of 2021.

The Board considered that the surveys held many clues that needed reflection in a dedicated time and space in a live format. It was agreed to have a meeting of a Task Force dedicated to the discussion of surveys' findings and proposals in the framework of the statutory bodies in March 2022 on Wednesday afternoon in addition to a regular Board's meeting on Monday evening. The researcher responsible for the analysis of the surveys should be invited to the meeting of the Task Force.

This discussion could be taken further at the 50/50 training seminar in Malta in Spring 2022. It was suggested to possibly invite also governmental representatives of states non-members of the Partial Agreement in order to promote the Partial Agreement and answer their questions. This training could be also a space to discuss how to implement the Youth Work Agenda and CM

¹ Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, The Netherlands, North Macedonia (since 14 September 2021), Portugal, San Marino, Serbia, Slovenia, Slovakia and Switzerland.

² Report of the Promotional Seminar 2021 (16 March 2021, on-line)

³ Programme of the Partial Agreement seminar in the framework of the Hungarian Presidency of the Committee of Ministers

⁴ Concept Note of the Partial Agreement's seminar on mental health (Slovenia, on-line)

⁵ Concept Note of the Partial Agreement's seminar "Reimagine our future: youth policies meeting new realities" (18-19 November, Malta, on-line)

⁶ "Results of the survey addressed by the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility through the Youth Card to its member and non-member states" Feedback

Recommendation on Youth work in relation to youth mobility and how to further post-pandemic recovery in respect of youth mobility.

6. Programme of activities 2022 – exchange of views, including on the 50/50 training (Malta, Spring 2022): expectations and needs *AP/Carte-J (2021)***9**

EYCA Director presented the initial proposals for the work programme of 2022 and the Board's members held a preliminary exchange of views, including on the 50/50 training for civil servants from the Partial Agreement member states and EYCA members, postponed from 2021 to 2022, still at the invitation of the Maltese authorities. The Irish Presidency of the Committee of Ministers would fall into they year 2022. A Partial Agreement event in co-operation with Youth Work Ireland might be organised in line with future priorities of the Irish Presidency. It was also hoped that the event to be organised with the Italian authorities would also fall within the forthcoming Italian Presidency, particularly given the fact that they were doing much in order to create a national youth card in Italy.

It was further suggested to think about better ways of bringing youth people (for example young card holders) from the "East" and the "West" together as was the idea of the Partial Agreement when it was created in the next years' work programmes, as well as about widening the outreach of the Partial agreement beyond youth ministries or youth departments.

7. Expansion perspectives of the Partial Agreement – oral up-date

The secretariat and the EYCA Director thanked the authorities of North Macedonia for their interest and congratulated them on their country's recent accession to the Partial Agreement. The Board was also updated on the on-going negotiations with states which had shown interest in the Partial Agreement on Youth Mobility and the actions taken to further raise interest in it, in particular Greece.

8. Recent and forthcoming developments in EYCA – oral report

(including good practices in Covid-19 times)

The EYCA Director updated the Board of Co-ordination on recent and forthcoming developments in EYCA, in particular:

- EYCA regional meetings and General Assembly 2021 in October. Next GA will be in Saint Petersburg in the Russian Federation.
- The development of the European Youth Card scheme with a special new member. The National Government of Italy.
- Survey to gather young people's input on the future of Europe. More than three thousand young people participated.
- Also, EYCA participated in the EYE in Strasbourg.

9. Presentation of recent developments of the European Learning Mobility Platform

The European Platform on Learning Mobility in the youth field (EPLM) was part of the programme of activities of the Partnership between the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of youth. It was a space for exchange and cooperation of youth organisations, researchers, policy makers and practitioners, such as trainers and youth workers. It strived to create conditions

for the development of high-quality and sustainable learning mobility for all in the youth field in Europe. In order to achieve this vision, the EPLM was working to pursue quality, impact, knowledge, inclusivity, participation, sustainability, visibility and recognition of learning mobility (including blended or online) in non-formal and informal education and learning in Europe.

10. Tour de table on national developments in the field of youth mobility and youth card schemes Link to the table

The Board of Co-ordination had no time to proceed with a tour de table on recent developments in the field of youth mobility policy and in the national youth card schemes because of the extended discussion of the surveys' results mentioned under item 5.

11. Any other business

None.

12. Date and place of the next meeting

In the framework of the youth sector's statutory bodies in Strasbourg or on-line in March 2022 depending on the sanitary situation.

Appendix

List of participants

Governmental representation

AUSTRIA	Mr Markus WOLF
	Federal Chancellery
	Section VI - Family and Youth
	Department 7 - European and International Family and Youth Policy
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	CEO
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	Ministry of Education and Employment
MONTENEGRO	Mr Krsto VUKADINOVIC
	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports
PORTUGAL	Mr Jorge Orlando QUEIROS
	Director
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EYCA representation

Manel Sanchez. EYCA director.

Jose Souza. Movijovem. EYCA member in Portugal

Jan Peloza. Sloam. EYCA member in Slovenia.

Yugoslav Radovic. Center for Youth Education. EYCA member in Montenegro.

Gjorgi Tasev. National Agency of North Macedonia. EYCA member in North Macedonia

Corina Pirvulescu. EYCA Support Manager at the EYCA office.

Mara Canela. Spanish Institute for Youth. EYCA member in Spain.

Representative of the Advisory Council on Youth (CCJ) – excused for absence

Council of Europe Secretariat

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