



## Spring University of the CDEJ

Malta, St Venera, 27-29 April 2022

### About the Spring University

#### Aim of the Spring University

To provide members of the CDEJ and Advisory Council (notably new members) with a learning experience, which is likely to improve their motivation and capacity to actively participate in the work of the Council of Europe youth sector, notably in its co-management structures and to promote the Council of Europe standards in Youth Policy.

#### Objectives

In accordance with the Council of Europe's package of youth policy development measures, the main objectives of the Summer University are:

- to familiarise participants with the values, objectives, programmes and structures of the Council of Europe and its Youth Department, including the COE youth sector's current priority issues its co-operation with the European Union
- to improve participants' understanding of the Council of Europe approaches to youth policy;
- to facilitate peer advice, networking and exchange good practices;
- to acquaint participants with the reality of youth, and youth work, in the host country.

#### Specific focus of the 2022 Spring University

This year's Spring University will specifically focus on the five strategic priorities for 2022-25 which are:

- Revitalising pluralistic democracy
- Young people's access to rights
- Living together in peaceful and inclusive societies
- Youth work
- Intergovernmental co-operation on youth policy

And which enable:

- young people from all spectrums of European societies become empowered to participate in pluralistic democracy and promote human rights to build inclusive societies based on being equal in dignity and rights.
- member States to take concrete measures to develop and implement youth policies based on Council of Europe standards thereby facilitating young people's access to rights.

**In particular**, the campaign *Democracy Here Democracy Now* will be explored.

**Working Language:** English

**Agenda**

**Day 1**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Wednesday 27 April</b>
<b>7:30</b>	<i>Breakfast</i>
<b>8:45</b>	Departure from Hotel by Coach to Agenzija Zghazagh
<b>9:30</b>	<p>Opening session of the Spring University 2022</p> <p>Official welcome:            Miriam Teuma - CEO Agenzija Zghazagh, Chair Joint Council for Youth            Antje Rothemund - Head Youth Department COE            Hon Keith Azzopardi Tanti - Parliamentary Secretary for Youth Research and Innovation</p> <p>Introduction of the programme and its objectives; introduction of participants, their expectations and learning needs, facilitated by the Facilitator Xavier Baró</p>
<b>11:00</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>11:30</b>	<p>Council of Europe's presentation - Clementina Barbaro, Head of Youth Policy Division            Quiz on the youth sector - led by Xavier Baró            Council of Europe's youth strategy 2030 &amp; CMJ programmatic orientations 2022-2025 - led by Clementina Barbaro            The CoE youth strategy &amp; my day-to-day work - reflections from participants- led by Xavier Baró</p>
<b>12:45</b>	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>14:00</b>	<p>Work in corners around the instruments of the youth sector, each corner lasts 10 to 15 minutes</p> <p>Corner 1: CDEJ/CMJ - led by Miriam Teuma            Corner 2: CCJ and CPJ - led by Spyros Papadatos, CCJ member, and Natalja Turenne, Administrator in the Youth Policy Division            Corner 3: European Youth Centres and their role in Education and Training - led by Antje Rothemund            Corner 4: European Youth Foundation - led by Sylvia Ivanova            Corner 5: CoE-EU Partnership in the field of youth led by Clementina Barbaro</p>
<b>15:15</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>15:45</b>	<p>Intergovernmental Cooperation on Youth Policy - Assistance measure, quality label            Led by Antje Rothemund and Jorge Orlando Queiros, Vice-Chair of the CDEJ            For each topic, sharing experiences among participants on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bilateral measures</li> <li>2. Multilateral measures</li> <li>3. Council of Europe Quality label for youth centres</li> </ol>

<b>16:30</b>	Informal corners: having informal moments of exchange where participants can bring unanswered questions from day one
<b>17:00</b>	Reflections on the programme and practical information on the next day – led by Xavier Baró
<b>17:30</b>	Transport back to Hotel
<b>19:30</b>	Leave from Hotel by coach to the village of Mgarr
<b>20:00</b>	Dinner at village restaurant Ta Nenu Restaurant 4, Triq il-Kbira Mgarr.

## Day 2

Time	Thursday 28 April
8:00	<i>Breakfast</i>
9:30	<i>Departure from Hotel by coach to Project Venues</i>
10:00	<p>Participants will be divided into 4 groups and visit one project</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Project Swish - a cross sectoral project between schools and the Malta Olympic Committee at Pembroke</li> <li>2. Cross sectoral youth and the arts project between Agenzija Zghazagh and Spazju Kreattiv iat Valletta</li> <li>3. The Youth services of the Foundation for Social Welfare at the Meeting Place at Marsa. Youth Project</li> <li>4. Youth Hub MCAST an informal space for young people in a Higher Education Institution at Paola</li> </ol>
12:00	Transport takes participants back to Agenzija Zghazagh
12:45	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00	Feedback from the visits – facilitated by Xavier Baró
14:30	<p>Deepening our knowledge on the COE Youth Strategy Thematic Priorities Interview with Mr Evarist Bartolo - former Minister of Foreign Affairs</p>
15:00	<p>Work in corners around the different priorities of the CoE 2030 Strategy and the CoE instruments which contribute to achieving the goals of the strategy</p> <p>Workshop 1: Revitalising Pluralistic Democracy, facilitated by Antje Rothmund and Spyros Papadatos Workshop 2: Young people’s access to rights, facilitated by Clementina Barbaro and MariaLuisa Silvestrini Workshop 3: Living together in peaceful and inclusive societies, facilitated by Jorge Orlando Queiros Workshop 4: Youth Work, facilitated by Miriam Teuma</p>
16:30	<i>Coffee break</i>

17:00	Feedback from the previous session – plenary session
17:30	Transport back to Hotel
19:30	Leave from Hotel by Coach to Valletta
20:00	Dinner at Rampila Restaurant St John's Cavalier Valletta

### Day 3

Time	Friday 29 April
8.00	<i>Breakfast</i>
9:00	<i>Transport to Agenzija Zghazagh</i>
9:30	<p>The Youth Campaign: Democracy Here Democracy Now</p> <p>Short presentation of the campaign - led by Miriam Teuma, Spyros Papadatos and Xavier Baró - followed by exchange of views among participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Which actions are they taking to implement the campaign on their own country?</li> <li>• Which further actions could be undertaken?</li> </ul>
10:45	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:15	<p>Next steps Implementation: how can I contribute to the implementation of the Youth for Democracy Programme and deliver in my context?</p> <p>Evaluation</p> <p>Closing of the event – Miriam Teuma and Antje Rothemund</p>
12:45	<i>Lunch</i>

List of participants

<b>ALBANIA</b>	<b>Arlinda TOPCIU</b> Head of Cabinet Minister of State for Youth and Children
<b>CROATIA</b>	<b>Marina SMERNIĆ</b> Head of Independent Service for International Cooperation in the field of Demography and Youth Central State Office for Demography and Youth
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<b>ITALY</b>	<b>Marialuisa SILVESTRINI</b> Officer, Prime Ministers' Office – Department for Youth and National Civic Service
<b>LATVIA</b>	<b>Dāvids GARŠVA</b> Senior Officer Department of Policy Initiatives and Development Ministry of Education and Science
<b>LUXEMBOURG</b>	<b>Charles SCHILTZ</b> Youth policy officer Ministère de l'Éducation nationale, de l'Enfance et de la Jeunesse Direction générale du secteur de la jeunesse – Service de la jeunesse

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<b>PORTUGAL</b>	<p><b>Jorge Orlando QUEIROS</b> Director Portuguese Youth Institute, I.P. Department of Information, Communication and International Relations</p> <p><b>Joao EIXA</b> Portuguese Youth Institute Department of Information, Communication and International Relations</p>
<b>SAN MARINO</b>	<p><b>Riccardo VENTURINI</b> State Secretariat for Territory and Environment, Agriculture, Tourism, Civil Protection, Relations with the AASLP Company, Youth Policies</p>
<b>TURKEY</b>	<p><b>Bulut ALTUN</b> Youth and Sports Expert Ministry of Youth and Sports of Turkey</p> <p><b>Eray ALARCIN</b> Directorate General of International Organisations and Foreign Relations Ministry of Youth and Sports of Turkey</p> <p><b>Mehmet Alin Orhun SULUNGUR</b> Ministry of Youth and Sports of Turkey</p>

<b>Advisory Council on Youth (CCJ)</b>	<b>Spyridon PAPADATOS</b> AEGEE - European Students' Forum
	<b>Maryam MAJIDOVA</b> Gender Hub Azerbaijan/"Support for Youth Empowerment" Public Union (GHA/SYE)
	<b>Konstanze SCHÖNFELD</b> TEJO – The World Esperanto Youth Organisation
	<b>Sarah-Anna AWAD</b> ÖJV - Austrian Youth Council
<b>European Youth and Counselling Agency (ERYICA)</b>	<b>Anna NESLADEK</b>
<b>Facilitator</b>	<b>Xavier BARÓ</b>
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<b>Secretariat of the Youth Department Council of Europe</b>	<p><b>Antje ROTHEMUND</b> Head of the Youth Department</p> <p><b>Clementina BARBARO</b> Head of the Youth Policy Division, Secretary to the CDEJ</p> <p><b>Natalja TURENNE</b> Administrator, Youth Policy Division, Co-secretary to the CDEJ</p> <p><b>Sylvia IVANOVA</b> Administrator, European Youth Foundation</p> <p><b>Giovanna MONTAGNA</b> Assistant to the CDEJ</p>