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The climate crisis, young people and democracy

CONSULTATIVE MEETING

16-18 February 2021

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PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 16 February 2021

INTRODUCTION

- 10:00 Opening of the meeting by ANTJE ROTHEMUND, Head of the Youth Department
Presentation of participants and expectations from the meeting
- 10:30 The climate crisis and young people, introductory inputs by
- PEGAH MOULANA, Advisory Council on Youth
 - MONIKA SKADBORG, European Youth Forum
 - JUANAN PEREZ, Youth and Environment Europe and Fridays for Future
- 11:10 Discussion in break-up sessions: *What can we expect about the climate crisis in times of pandemic?*
- 11:40 Feedback from the groups
- 12:00 Break

CLIMATE CRISIS AND YOUTH POLICY

- 14:00 Climate change in the youth policy of the Council of Europe, introduction by RUI GOMES, Head of Division, Youth Department
- 14:20 Climate change and youth policy: intersections and divergencies, presentation by JAMIE GORMAN, National University of Ireland Maynooth
- 14:50 Working groups: Climate crises and youth work: challenges and experiences
- 15:30 Feedback from the groups
- 16:00 Conclusions and closing of the day

Wednesday, 17 February 2021

THE CLIMATE CRISIS, HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY

- 10:00 Opening of the day
- 10:05 *Climate crisis or crisis of humanity?* Address by MARY ROBINSON, Adjunct Professor for Climate Justice, Trinity College (Dublin)
- 10:30 *Can Democracy save the climate?* – Introduction to the World Forum for Democracy and the role of young people therein, with LANA COP, Directorate of Human Dignity, Equality and Governance, Council of Europe
- 10:50 *The role of participatory democracy in addressing climate change*, presentation by Professor COSMIN CORENDEA, consultant
- 11:15 Discussion in break-up sessions: *Can climate action save democracy?*
- 12:00 Break

- 14:00 *Climate crisis as a human rights violation?* Input by JENNIFER DE TEMMERMAN, member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
- 14:30 *The climate crisis and the human rights standards of the Council of Europe*, input by NATALIA KOBYLARZ, European Court of Human Rights
- 15:00 *Human rights and climate migrants*, with MARIAM TRAORE CHAZALNOEL, International Organisation for Migration
- 15:20 Working groups: Exchange of practices/initiatives/campaigns by participants
- 16:00 Closing of the day

Thursday, 18 February 2021

YOUTH PARTICIPATION

- 10:00 Opening of the day
- 10:05 *Youth participation principles in the Council of Europe*, introduction by NATALIA CHARDYMOVA, Educational advisor, Youth Department of the Council of Europe
- 10:20 *The role of the Climate Crisis in UN Youth 2030 Strategy*, with TANVI MANI, Climate Change Secretariat, UNFCCC
- 10:40 Discussion in break-up sessions: *Enabling young people's involvement in the policy making processes and future role of the youth sector*
Discussing needs and proposals for youth policies to take into account the issues raised: climate crisis, human rights, democracy and youth participation
- 12:00 Break
- 14:30 Presentation of the proposals, actions, and commitments from the working groups
- 15:15 Conclusions by the rapporteur
- 15:30 Evaluation and closing
- 15:40 Closing remarks by MATJAŽ GRUDEN, Director of Democratic Participation, Council of Europe and LAURENCE HERMAND, European Steering Committee on Youth