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To youth organisations cooperating with the Council of Europe youth sector

We are pleased to inform you that the process for applications for activities to be held in co-operation with the European Youth Centres in the second semester of 2020 is now open. These activities are mostly study sessions and "special projects". The specific conditions and criteria for the activities are appended to this message, together with an application form.

The programme of activities for 2020 will be run according to the priorities and programme orientations decided by the Joint Council on Youth for the biennium 2020-2021. Taking into account the study sessions already included in the first semester, we invite you to submit proposals for activities falling within the following expected results and thematic priorities:

1. Access to rights

- Two study sessions on access of young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods to social rights (based on the *ENTER!* Recommendation).
- One study session on human rights education, including information and media literacy with children and young people

2. Youth participation and youth work

- Three study sessions on youth work
- Two study sessions on youth participation
- One study session on supporting youth participation in Internet governance processes.

3. Inclusive and peaceful societies

- One study session on young people's role in peace-building
- One study session on active participation and combating discrimination
- One study session on preventing and countering nationalism and populism.

The Programming Committee on Youth may decide to place some of these activities on a reserve list. More details about specific issues addressed under each priority can be found at <https://www.coe.int/en/web/youth/priorities> and in the application form.

For the Council of Europe, study sessions represent an important way of associating young people to Youth for Democracy Programme and of supporting youth organisations and networks, notably by covering the costs of the activity and providing educational support.

Youth organisations and networks intending to apply for a study session for the second semester of 2020 should send their application by **1 October 2019** to eyc.studysessions@coe.int.

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