

The Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe

“By Youth For Youth”

2024

Overview:

The International Youth Day Round Table meeting aims to bring together young people from across Europe to discuss and engage with the Conference of INGOs Youth Strategy. This event will provide a platform for youth to voice their perspectives, share ideas, and collaborate on initiatives that promote active citizenship, democratic participation, and youth empowerment. The meeting will be an online event.

Objectives:

1. **Engage Youth:** Foster youth participation in civil society and democratic processes.
2. **Connect Youth:** Promote solidarity, intercultural understanding, and cross-border collaborations among young people.
3. **Empower Youth:** Equip youth with the skills and knowledge needed for active citizenship and leadership.
4. **Promote the Conference of INGOs Youth Strategy:** Raise awareness about the Conference of INGOs Youth Strategy and its objectives among young people and stakeholders.
5. **Facilitate Dialogue:** Create a space for meaningful dialogue between youth and policymakers to address youth-related challenges and opportunities.

Programme for Online Series of Round Tables

12 August 2024 from 9:20 to 11:30 - Session 1

Kickoff and Setting the Stage for Youth Impact

Zoom Link for Session 1: Monday 12 August <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87014552059>

09:20 - 09:30 - Welcoming Session

- Opening remarks by the Chairperson of the Council of Europe INGOs Committee.
- Overview of the CINGO Youth Strategy and the importance of youth participation.

09:30 - 10:15 - Group Discussion: The Role of Youth in Shaping Policies

10:15 - 10:30 - Break

10:30 - 11:15 - Group Discussion: Digital Tools for Advocacy

* Training on using digital tools and social media for advocacy and civic engagement.

11.15 – 11.30: Reflection and Closing Remarks

26 August 2024 from 9:15 to 12:20 - Session 2

Breaking the Barriers and Connecting with Participation

Zoom Link for session 2: Monday 26 August <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83667857633>

09:15 - 10:30 - Group Discussion: Overcoming Barriers to Youth Participation through INGOs

10:30 - 10:45 - Break

10:45 - 12:00 - Roundtable Discussions: Youth Perspectives on Civic Engagement

* Small group discussions on challenges and opportunities for youth in civic engagement and reflections on how to do it better with CINGOs Youth Strategy.

12.05 – 12.20: Reflection and Closing Remarks

09 September 2024 from 9:15 to 12:20 - Session 3

Engaging with Civic Participation and Cultural Solidarity

Zoom Link for session 3: Monday 9 September <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86921777394>

09.15- 10.30: Group Discussion: Building Intercultural Understanding and Solidarity through NGOs with Young People

10.30 – 10.45: Break

10.45– 12.00: Interactive Session: Developing Youth-Led Initiatives

* Guided session to help participants develop action plans for CINGO Youth Strategy.

12.05 – 12.20: Reflection and Closing Remarks

Conclusion

This program is designed to ensure a comprehensive and enriching experience for all participants, fostering a deeper understanding of democratic processes, civic engagement, and youth empowerment.