# Future Union Programme for Education, Training, Youth and Sport 2014-2020

- State of Play -



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1) Decision-Making Process in the EU Ordinary Legislative Procedure

The most common way of adopting EU legislation – Ordinary Legislative Procedure (previously called Co-Decision Procedure, before the Lisbon Treaty)

**Commission** makes the proposal -> **Parliament and Council** - equal weight - > jointly adopt new legislation

**Steps to follow:** 

First Reading (no time limit)

Second Reading (poss)

Conciliation Committee (Third reading) (poss)

1) Decision-Making Process in the EU Ordinary Legislative Procedure (II)

**Ordinary Legislative Procedure** 

### 1) First Reading

- No time limit

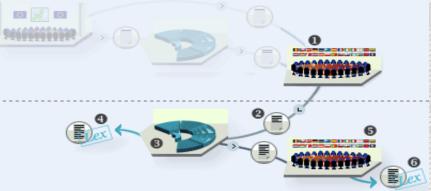
Commission's proposal (1) Erasmus for all Council (3) (while waiting for EP's first reading, the Council agrees on a (Partial) General Approach

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Amended Proposal submitted to the Council. If the Council agrees with the outcome of EP's first reading ->the legislative text adopted **European Parliament (2)** adopts its position (4) (draft report, amendments by MEPs, vote in the committee, vote in plenary by simple majority) 1) Decision-Making Process in the EU Ordinary Legislative Procedure (III)

**Ordinary Legislative Procedure** 

2) Second Reading



If the Council (1) does not accept EP's first reading position, it draws up (2) its position.

(3) EP has 3 months to react :

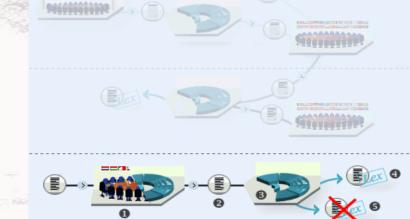
A) -> EP approves the Council position or takes no decision -> (4) text adopted

B) -> EP may table amendments to the Council position
-> in this case either the Council (5) within 3 months approves EP's amendments -> text adopted (6) OR rejects them -> Conciliation Committee (to seek to reconcile the positions)



**Ordinary Legislative Procedure** 

3) Third Reading



After an agreement has been reached, the (1) **Conciliation Committee** adopts a (2) 'joint text' based on the **Council position** and the EP's second reading amendments.

If the Council and (3) Parliament approve the 'joint text' in its entirety, the (4) **act is adopted**.

If the Conciliation Committee cannot agree on a 'joint text', or if Parliament or the Council does not approve it, the (5) act is deemed not to have been adopted.

# 2. Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020

Commission Communication "A Budget for Europe 2020" (29 June 2011)

- A new budget linked to the priorities of the EU 2020 strategy
- *"Every euro spent will be a multi-purpose euro"*

The next set of financial programmes and instruments focus on:

- results (EU 2020),
- simplification (for synergies and to avoid duplication)
- and the increased use of conditionality (to focus on results rather than on inputs)

**Priority: Investing in Human Capital** ( to reach the EU 2020 headline targets on increasing tertiary education and reducing early school leaving)

"Education Europe" – single integrated programme for education, training, youth and sport

FOCUS: developing skills and mobility of human capital

**3. Commission's Proposal** 

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing « ERASMUS FOR ALL », the Union Programme for Education, Training, Youth and Sport

(25 November 2011)

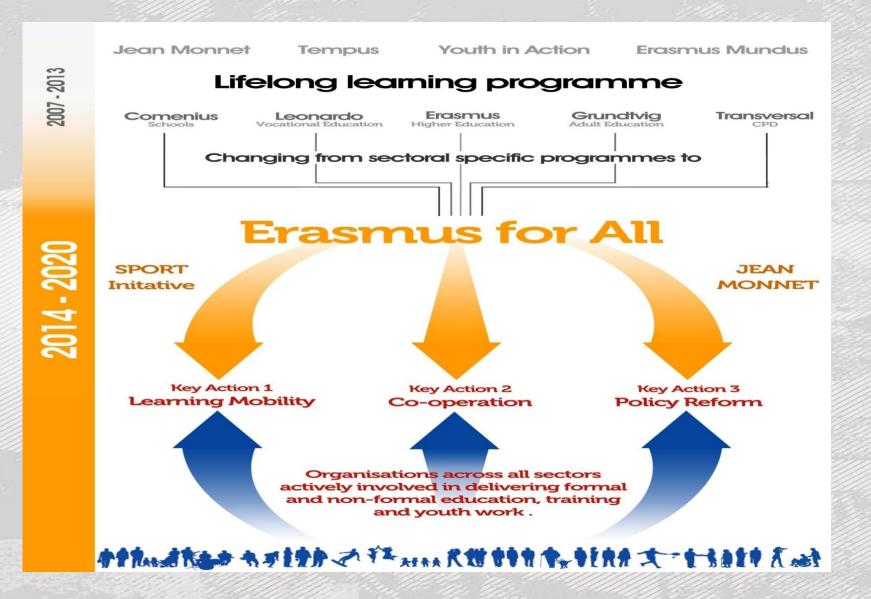
Commission's overall objectives of **streamlining and simplification** -> a single programme covering activities previously covered by a number of separate programmes

#### **Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee 28/29 March 2012**

(retention of the separate and independent sub-programmes with individual minimum allocations; concerned about the absence of some YiA actions)

#### **Opinion of the Committee of the Regions 4 May 2012**

(changing the name of the programme into « Learning Europe » / « Learning Europe and Youth Participation »



# **Elements of the Proposal (Key Actions)**

KEY ACTION 1 Learning Mobility of Individuals KEY ACTION 2 Cooperation for Innovation and Good Practices

#### **Mobility of staff**

(transnational mobility of youth workers, multipliers, exchange of good practices among youth organisations)

#### **Transnational Youth**

**Mobility**, including **volunteering** and **youth exchanges** 

+ Mobility to and from 3<sup>rd</sup> countries

#### Transnational strategic partnerships between youth organisations and other relevant actors

developing joint initiatives and promoting exchanges of experience and know-how

IT Platforms and virtual mobility – peer learning, exchanges of good practices (opening access to neighbourhood countries) It also includes capacity building, knowledge exchanges and modernisation process, regional integration, regional cooperation with neighbourhood countries. KEY ACTION 3 Support for Policy Reform

Support to the OMC (implementation of the EU Youth Strategy) + structured dialogue with young people

**EU transparency tools**: Europass

#### **Policy Dialogue**

(Stakeholders, international organisations, 3<sup>rd</sup> countries)

**European Youth Forum,** 

**Eurodesk network** 

**Elements of the Proposal (II)** 

### **Budget: 19 billion EUR (+70% increase)**

Key Action 1 – 66% Key Action 2 – 26% Key Action 3 – 5% Operating Grants to NAs – 3% Administrative expenditure - 2%

**Erasmus Youth Participation 25% - 40% increase** 

Minimum allocation of funds per sector: 7% for youth

**Implementation**:

Single NA per Member State Single National Authority Single Programme Committee 4. Council's Partial General Approach Education Council of Ministers - Partial General Approach (11 May 2012)

The rationale behind the Commission's programme proposal is maintained: Aims, 3 key actions, stronger focus on European added-value, more efficiency, flexibility and reducing the administrative burden.

The same name as in the Commission's Proposal

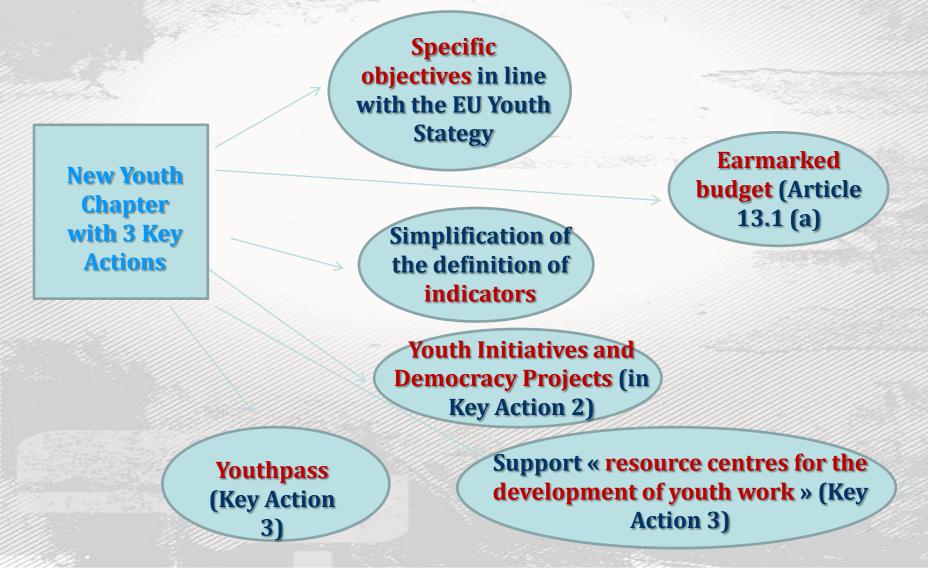
"Erasmus for All" and "Erasmus Youth Participation" for the youth chapter

General reservation from the Commission pending the EP first reading and the outcomes of the negotiations on the MFF.

**DK, MT and UK have entered Parliamentary Scrutiny Reservations** 

### 4. Council's Partial General Approach (II)

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Access to the programme: Inclusion of « nonorganised youth » (Article 17.1)

New Youth Chapter with 3 Key Actions

Implementation: More NAs and National Authorities per Member State Access to the programme: Stressing the promotion of social inclusion and the participation of people with special needs and fewer opportunities

The Programme Committee may meet in different configurations to deal with sectoral issues

## 5. European Parliament – First Reading (Doris Pack's Draft Report)

20 July 2012 -> Draft Report published 19 September 2012 - >Draft Report presented in the CULT Committee (EP)

Lifelong Learning Programme for Education, Training, Youth and Sport YES (Youth ,Education, Sport) Europe

- Keeping the existing brands for the sectors
  - Separate chapter for youth (Youth in Action) (for the sake of transparency, visibility, continuity)

3 key actions

**Earmarked budget for youth** 

# 5. EP Draft Report – Outstanding Issues of the Youth Chapter (I)

Specific Objectives independent from those provided for the educational sectors 3 Key Actions (to maintain the streamlined approach to allow synergies within the programme)

Learning Mobility of Individuals (YOUTH MOVES) -Youth exchanges, EVS, mobility of youth workers within participating countries, mobility to and from 3rd countries Support for Policy Reform -(YOUTH DECIDES) Youthpass, European Youth NGOs, RCs for the development of youth

Cooperation for Innovation and Good practices (YOUTH COOPERATES) – youth initiatives and citizenship projects

# 5. EP Draft Report – Outstanding Issues of the Youth Chapter (II)

**Budget** 

**Ring-fenced budget** Separate minimum financial allocation (8.3%) The financial allocations shall also cover operating grants to youth NGOs

Access to the programme

Activities open for the participation of non-organised groups of young people active in youth work/people with fewer opportunities (underlined in the objectives)

#### Implementation

National Agencies and Authorities: issue falling under the principle of subsidiarity Programme Committee can meet in different configurations according to the subject-matter of each meeting 6. Timetable for the Negotiation on the Programme and the MFF (IV)

PROGRAMME NEGOTIATION (First Reading)

### **Council (CY PRES):**

#### **EDUC Committee:**

- 25 September 2012
- 25 October 2012
- 12 November 2012

### **Parliament:** CULT Committee:

- 19 September 2012 draft report presented, broadly welcomed by MEPs
- 8-9 October 2012
- 6 November vote on the Report in the Committee
- January-February 2013- vote in *Plenary*

### 6. Timetable of the Negotiation on the Programme and the MFF (II)

MFF NEGOTIATION

GAC (General Affairs Council) responsible for the MFF Negotiating Box (DK PRES) - « Nothing is agreed until everything is agreed »

#### CY PRES - promised to reach agreement by the end of 2012

#### 22-23 November 2012 Extraordinary European Summit on the MFF

Before the November European Council, the CY PRES will schedule an extraordinary General Affairs Council, where ministers will discuss numbers with no options, i.e. there will be no ranges, just single figures proposed (overall size, headings, etc).

### Thank you!

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