

# Local Youth Councils at International Scale

Launching Conference

6th - 7th July 2022

10:30-14:00

Zoom



## **About the LYCIS project**

Starting from the idea that young people are the driving force of society, able to influence decision-making processes and shape the future of their reality from the local to the global level, this project aims to foster the potential of young people to be active citizens and actors of fundamental social change in their local communities.

The project focuses on the quality of youth work at the international level in terms of analysing and increasing the capacities and possibilities of youth workers from civil society organisations and municipalities to engage young people in decision-making processes at the local level through local youth councils and equipping young people with the skills and competencies for quality participation.

The project has been launched in May 2022 and connects experiences of the countries from the Mediterranean region, namely Italy, North Macedonia, Morocco, Palestine, Portugal and Tunisia. It is financed

### **About the CONFERENCE**

With this conference, we would like to launch the international exchange of experiences and perspectives on the quality of local youth councils at a broad, international and intercontinental level.

It brings together various stakeholders in the youth field, such as non-governmental organisations, municipality representatives, researchers, youth workers and youth leaders, to discuss the importance of youth participation at the local level across the participating countries and continents. The participants of the conference will have the opportunity to discuss and share ideas, experiences and best practices for involving young people in decision-making processes, thus giving them a voice and active role in their local communities.

The conference is also a launching moment of the LOCAL YOUTH COUNCILS AT INTERNATIONAL SCALE - a 2-years project financed by the European Union, with plenty of exciting experiences, training and outcomes yet to come.

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

We cordially invite all participants interested in exchanging experiences about the topic of local youth council at international, intercontinental level, especially:

- young people and members of local youth councils or similar structures
- vouth workers from the field of youth participation
- policy-makers, municipality officers responsible for youth participation
- researchers in the field of local youth councils
- representatives of NGOs and Institutions interested in new tools and arguments for discussion about local youth councils in their countries

The conference takes place online, 10:30-14:00 CEST, 6th - 7th July.

Register here: http://tiny.cc/lycisconfregistration





# **Agenda**

# 6th July

10.30-10.45 10:45-11:00	Opening moment Presentation of the project "Local Youth Councils at International Scale"
11:00-11:30	Breakout rooms: what is the value of local youth council?
11:30-12:00	Local Youth Councils at International Scale – discussion panel with international stakeholders;
12:00-12:15	Break
12:15-13:15	Local youth councils – country perspective. Take a look at local youth councils or their alternatives in Italy, North Macedonia, Portugal, Palestine and Tunisia;
13:15-13:45	Breakout rooms: Key challenges for effective local youth councils;
13:45-14:00	Closing, next-day programme;

## 7th July

10.30-10.45	Opening moment
10:45-11:30	Youth perspective on local youth councils – panel discussion with young people about their experiences in the topic;
11.30-12.00	Breakout room: Climb the ladder. How to reach the quality of youth participation in local youth councils?
12:00-12:15	Break
12:15-13:00	Local Youth Councils in international projects. What can we learn?
13:00-13:30	Breakout room: Networking and sharing.
13:30-13:40	Presentation of the plan for advisory group;
13:40-13:50	Evaluation and farewell





## **Contact us**



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