

Project Sheet

Title of the project : Yourope

Type of the project : OFAJ- projet pour les jeunes franco-allemand-polonaise

Context:

Young people do not have the feeling of being involved in the construction of Europe. Many feel like Europe is not focused on the hopes and concerns of young people without prospects. The project therefore aims to involve young people in creating the future of Europe and finding solutions to the challenges that leave them powerless: Climate change, war in Ukraine, etc. What is the future for young Europeans? Through activities that combine political engagement, European citizenship and ecology, young people are offered concrete opportunities for action.

Leader: Maison de l'Europe des Landes, WIPSEE (France) - Erasmus+ Youth accredited structure (2022/2027)

Partners : Germany, Poland

Total duration of the project: October 2022

Main goals:

- Developing democratic spirit and European citizenship among young people.
- Promoting political and civic engagement that encourages the development of critical thinking.
- Giving young German, Polish and French people the opportunity to discover European diversity and to promote cohesion and cooperation between countries through discovering different cultures.
- Strengthening the sense of belonging to Europe.
- Understanding the mechanisms of political decision-making at several levels (state, civil society) and participating in them by implementing concrete actions (video pleading).
- Promoting diversity of opinion and dialogue through moments of exchange.



Targeted public:

- 30 people (24 young people and 6 accompanying persons)
- Young people from 16 to 20 years old
- Germany, France, Poland with as much diversity as possible gender and social mix
- 8 young people + 2 Acc / country

Main activities:

- 1 preparatory activity
- 1 mobility in Berlin in October 2022 (5 days + 2 traveling days)

With:

- Orienteering in Berlin to discover the political institutions and the highlights of sustainable development (past and memory/future and ecology)
- Visit of the Bundestag (parliament)
- A moment of exchange on the topic of the future of Europe: the place of young people in Europe, hopes and concerns.) This will provide an opportunity to discuss issues such as the rise of nationalism, the war in Ukraine
- Reflection and debate on diversity in each participating country on major themes (education, solidarity, sustainable development, religion and minorities, health, sexuality, SDGs)
- Meeting with a Berlin youth association to discover how to get involved in order to assert one's values
- At the end of the trip, a video will be produced in which the participants will express their demands to political leaders (a form of filmed advocacy)

Impacts:

- Understanding the mechanisms of political decision-making (visit to the parliament, meeting with young people involved)
- Understanding the importance of multiculturalism and interculturality in Europe
- Improving the feeling of belonging to the EU and strengthening the feeling of being a citizen and therefore an actor
- Improving the feeling of belonging to a like-minded social group, the European youth
- Building a trinational dialogue between young people from the three countries
- Development of a civic and democratic spirit for Europe of young people, their engagement in civil society and their participation in the democratic life of Europe
- Understanding of the richness of diversity
- Young people are more open to others, trust in others is increased
- For the organizations: the expansion of their partner networks

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