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Bringing Young People and Politics Together: Participatory Europe

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EU Youth Programme Priority:

Participation in Democratic Life

Topic:

Youth Participation / Activism and Decision Making

Youth goals:

[Connecting EU with Youth, Space and Participation for All](#)



This ten-day [training course](#) in Estonia showed youth leaders, educators and social workers how to encourage young people to get involved in politics and become more active as citizens. By improving their ability to influence decisions and promote their own exciting ideas, we can really help to increase youth participation. Whether you work in a youth council or an NGO, the training methods developed by the project can easily become part of your regular group sessions.

What is Participation for you?

“For me, participation is about citizens making informed decisions on all aspects of their lives: economic, political, cultural and social. It's not just being informed but deciding on what action to take. A sense of belonging is the foundation for participation. If you feel that you don't belong and don't understand your rights and duties, it's very hard to participate in a meaningful way.”

Marco Santos TRAINER



Wow!

Through elaborating the manifestos and intellectual outputs of the project, participants learned how important it is to start political engagement at an early age. They also found out how youngsters can influence politics by coming up with policy proposals and action plans. A true example of participation and exchange across 12 countries!

Learn more about other amazing youth participation projects here: <https://participationpool.eu/project/bringing-young-people-and-politics-together-participatory-europe/>