

YEE CALL FOR PARTNERS Project "Environment - young people's right too"

YEE invites all interested youth organisations to join our new project! We are developing a project which will take place for the whole 2018 and which will include several activities.

With this project we want to focus on **youth participation in environmental decisionmaking** on different levels: international, national and regional.

How is environmental decision-making reflected in the lives of young Europeans? Why is it important for them to be aware of environmental policies and their impact on young people's lives? How can environmental youth organisations involve young people more and promote active citizenship among them?

Documents and international agreements about environment seem to be very distant from everyday life - which can demotivate and discourage young people to even read about such documents. Many young people think that they cannot influence their politicians and do not know how to do it. With this project we want to provide youth organisations with competences on how to educate young people about active citizenship as well as their environmental rights and responsibilities.

The **<u>aim of this project</u>** is to equip young people with the knowledge and the capacity to participate in environmental decision-making processes.

YEE will apply for two grants: 1 April deadline of Annual Work Plan of the European Youth Foundation and 26 April deadline of KA1 of the Erasmus+ programme.

Suggested activities of the project:

- **Training course** on youth participation and active citizenship: to explore what participation means, which levels of participation there are, good examples of participation, how organisations can influence the involvement of young people. What is the stake of young people in decision-making? Developing competences of organisations and youth workers on involving young people.
- **Training course** on environmental decision-making and the role of youth in it: international frameworks, role of countries, involvement of citizens in following agreements, decision-making on different levels: national and regional. Developing competences of participants to get more active in the life of their society.
- **International campaign** on youth participation in international frameworks development and implementation: for example, the Paris Agreement and UN Sustainable Development Goals.
- **Seminar** for organisations to build new partnerships and form project teams and plan followup projects together.

If you want to become a partner:

- Send us the filled in form until **<u>21 March 2017</u>**.
- Do you have some suggestions for this project: how to develop it further, different activity to include? Let us know! Write to <u>natalia@yeenet.eu</u> until <u>**21 March 2017**</u>.