

**EVY PACT – Empowering vulnerable youth for active citizenship:  
a Transnational Approach to Participation and Societal Challenges**

**Opening meeting**

# Breaking Barriers: Youth Participation in Europe

24th March 2026

Open Incet, Piazza Teresa Noce 17, Turin



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# EVY PACT: Perspectives, Expected Impacts and Visions

Session reserved for project partners and key stakeholders

09:25 – 09:45 – Registration of participants

09:45 – 10:00 – Welcome, introduction and **project overview**

10:00 – 10:35 – **The research:** first insights from the participating countries (CRPE)

10:35 – 11:15 – **Youth engagement:** where to reach young people? (Pistes Solidaires, ENAIP, LVIA)

11:15 – 11:30 – break

11:30 – 12:00 – **Engaging institutions** and local authorities: which approaches? (CRPE – Amapola)

12:00 – 12:30 – How **communication and dissemination** contribute to the project's impact (TGL IT and Belgium)

12:30 – 13:00 – Validation of the **Project Handbook's key features**

13:00 – 15:00 – Lunch break

# How can vulnerable youth take part in shaping our democracies?

Event open to project partners, key stakeholders, civil society organisations, local authorities and youth associations

- 15:00 – 15.30 – Registration of participants
- 15:30 – 15.45 – Introduction to **the project framework** and the discussion panels
- 15:45 – 16.30 – **Panel 1:** What are the main barriers to civic engagement for vulnerable youth? Perspectives from local governments, civil society and institutions
- 16:30 – 16:45 – break
- 16:45 – 17.30 – **Panel 2:** Broadening the discussion to the EU context: which best practices and approaches can we focus on and implement?
- 17.30 – 17.45 – **wrap-up and closing remarks**
- 17.45 – 18.45 – Networking aperitif

# A diverse and complementary partnership

The consortium brings together 7 partners, each contributing complementary expertise:

- Education and direct engagement with young people
- Training and capacity building
- Advocacy and policy influence
- Cooperation and awareness-raising
- This diversity ensures a holistic and impactful approach to the project



# The overall objective

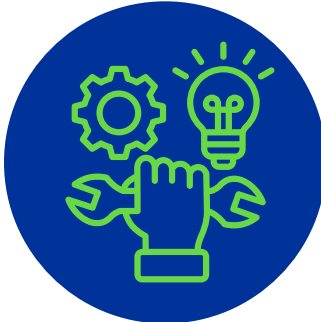
Strengthen civic and democratic participation of the European youth and in particular vulnerable ones, fostering dialogue, social engagement and active citizenship through:



**Research**



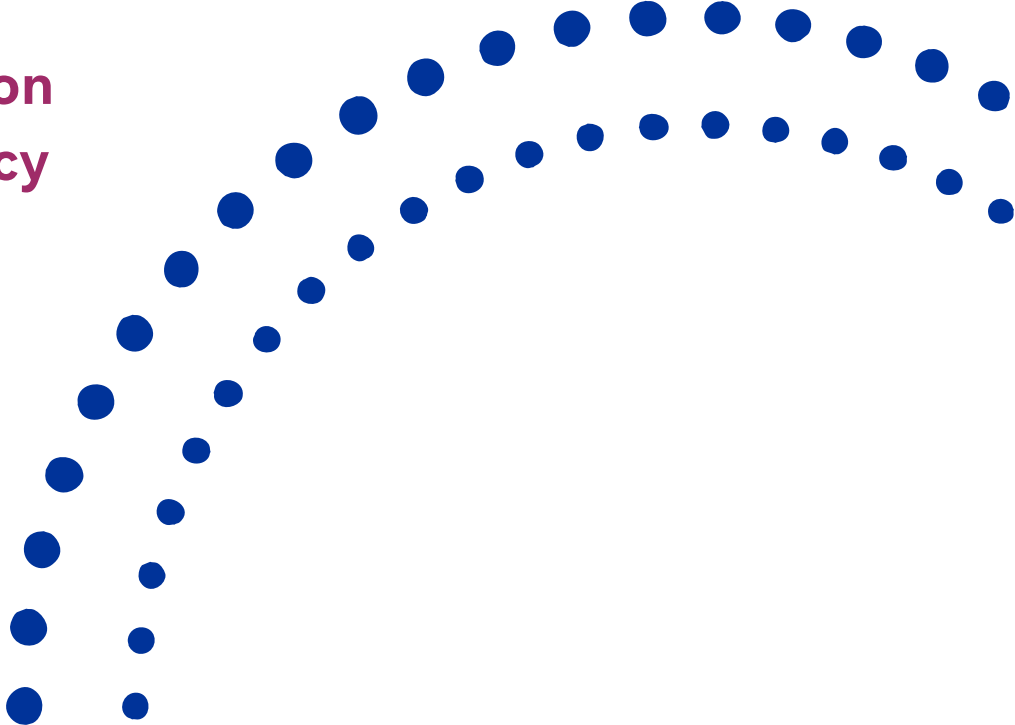
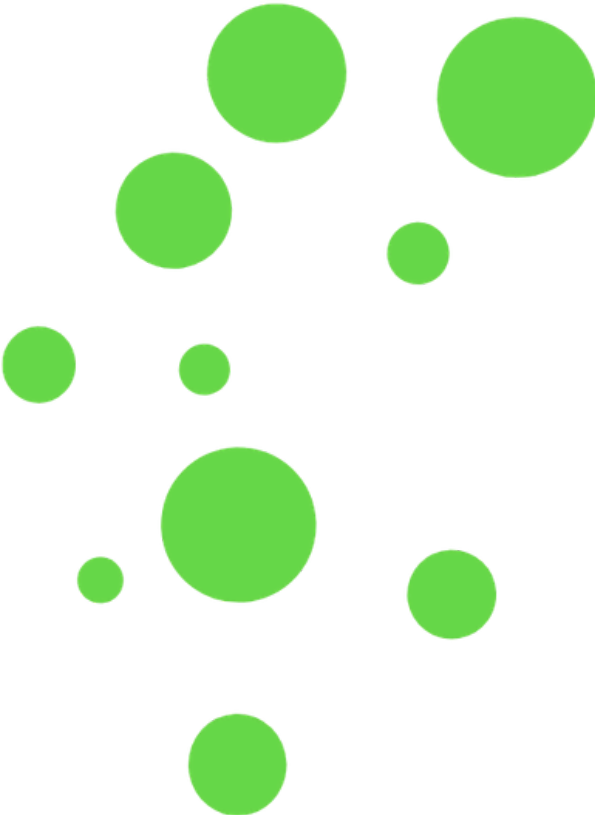
**Participation  
and activation**



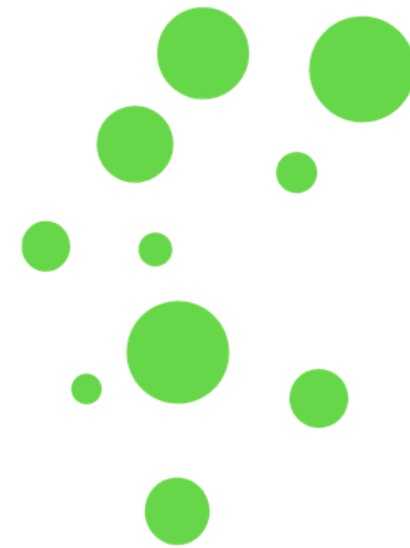
**Capacity  
building**



**Dissemination  
and advocacy**



# The targets of the project activities



## Young people

with a focus on vulnerabilities

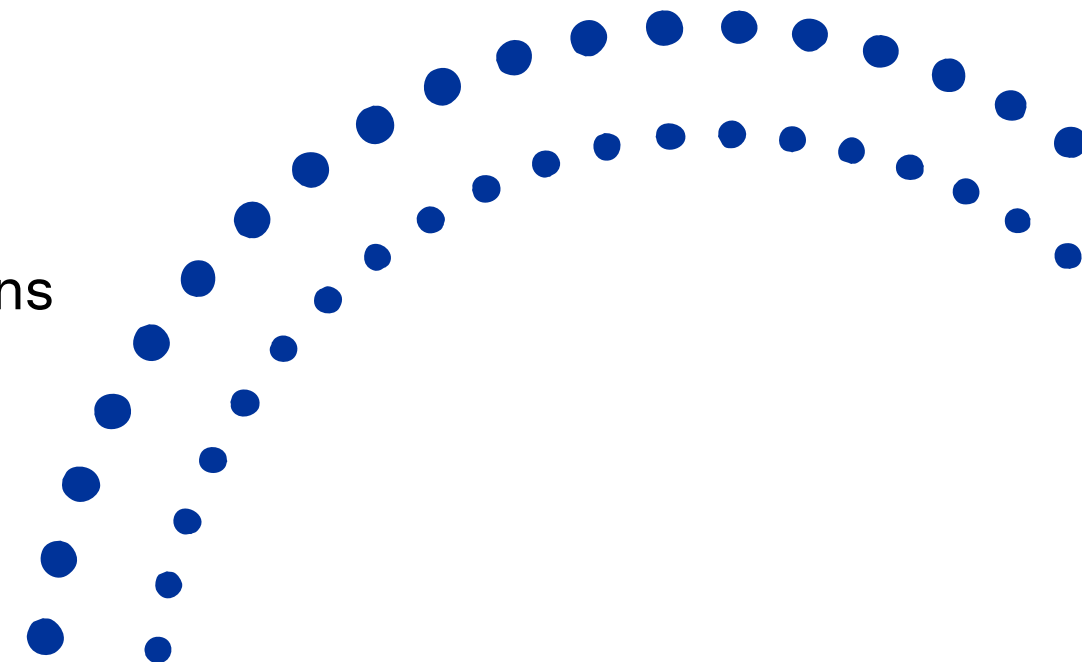
- Socio-economic disadvantage
- Migrant background
- Disabilities
- Discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity (LGBTQIA+)

## Local ecosystems

Local communities and civil society  
Local public authorities

## Citizens and wider communities at national and EU level

People affected by the advocacy actions bringing project results and emerging needs into the European policy debate



# Project's events

24 months



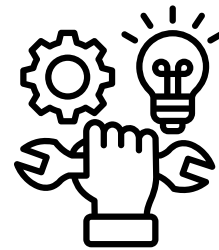
Opening meeting and project handbook

March 2026



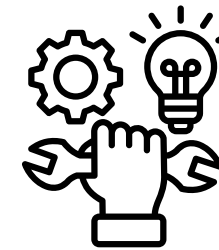
Transnational testing workshop of the educational toolkit

August 2026



Transnational institutional dialogue event Youth/Local institutions

January 2027



Implementing civil society sessions for youth participation

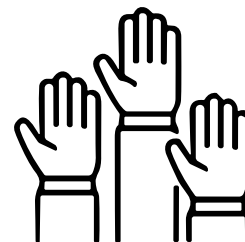
May 2027

February 2026



Presentation of the comparative research report

June 2026



Transnational Youth Lab and call to action forum

September 2026



Transnational coordination event for stakeholders dialogue

February 2027



Final transnational event

January 2028

January 2028

# Establishing Sustainable Dialogue with Local Institutions

**Bridge the gaps between youth and local institutions in at least 12 communities**



Each partner will identify and **engage local stakeholders** (municipalities councils youth organizations,...)



**Transnational Institutional Dialogue event:** it bring together people and decision makers from the 12 communities in Romania



Local Follow-up and implementation of the co-created policy recommendations, outlining a detailed **action plan**

Partners will support implementation and monitoring. This long-term collaboration ensures that dialogue mechanisms remain active beyond the project's lifespan.



1

Each partner will identify and **engage local stakeholders** (municipalities councils youth organizations,...) from 12 different communities

**Engage different kind of communities: urban, small towns and inner areas**



2

**Transnational Institutional Dialogue event:** it bring together people and decision makers from the 12 communities in Romania

**A two-day in-person event where decision-makers and community stakeholders exchange experiences and practices directly with youth**



3

Local Follow-up and implementation of the co-created policy recommendations, outlining a detailed **action plan**

**Outline together the measures to be adopted, the responsible stakeholders the timeline and the indicators for monitoring and evaluating the impact of the changes**



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# Thank you



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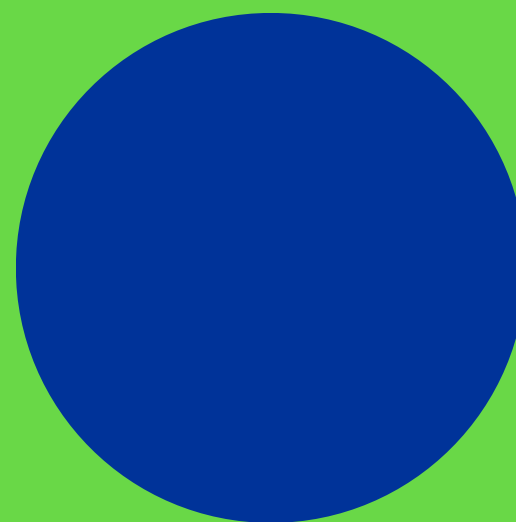
# Panel 1

What are the main barriers to civic engagement for vulnerable youth? Perspectives from local governments, civil society and institutions



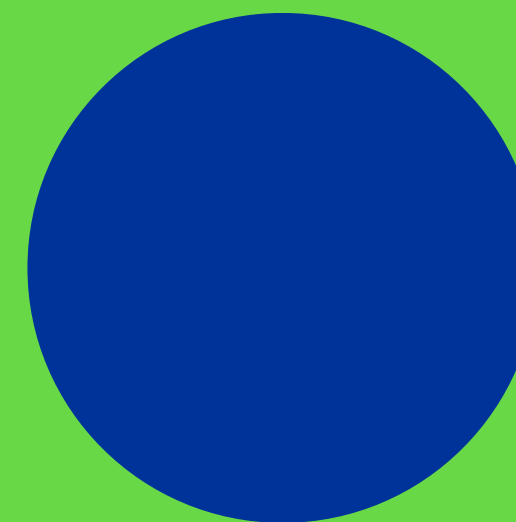
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## Panel 2

Broadening the discussion to the EU context:  
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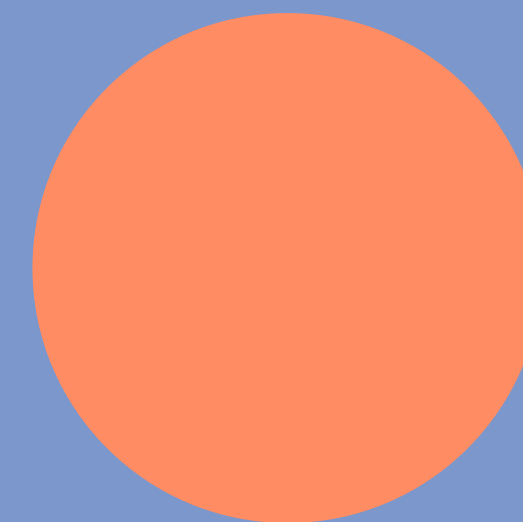
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