

youth connections

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About the project

Youth Connections is a project funded by the Erasmus+ programme aiming to create a strong link between young migrants (refugees, asylum seekers) and European youth through creative work and cultural activities to foster social inclusion.

The creation of a bridge between youth living in the EU will enable them to engage in peer-to-peer intercultural dialogue and so become more open-minded, thereby creating a more socially inclusive young society.

The project focuses on raising awareness regarding the current situation of newcomers and social issues in their home countries as well as in their hosting countries around the EU.

In the framework of Youth Connections project, four outputs will be developed:

- A methodological framework based on storytelling involving target groups since the beginning of the project
- A Social Inclusion Handbook including practical activities and tools to involve young people in online and direct settings
- A Youth Connections Charter for social inclusion and quality youth work including Policy Recommendations, aiming to foster social inclusion between young resident refugees, asylum seekers, migrants and EU youth.
- A Protocol for certification of competencies used as a guide to validate and certify the competences of any professional making use of the innovative learning approach developed by the project.

Policy Recommendations report

The partnership, after a consultation with youth workers and young people from migrant background, has developed a **Policy Recommendations report**.

The aim of the Policy Recommendations is to foster and promote effective integration of young migrants and quality youth work in the field of social inclusion. The Policy Recommendations are also based on success factors of good practices projects or approaches identified around Europe.

The **first part** of the report focuses on the consultation phase delivered in each partner country (UK, France, Lithuania, Portugal and Italy), where partners analysed the situation faced by both young people and youth workers.

The **second phase** focuses on the Policy Recommendations based on the findings of the consultation and on the conclusions.

Based on the Policy Recommendations report the partnership has created a Check list compliance Charter to distribute to the local organisations and stakeholders.

Institutions who will recognise and put in practice the Check list Charter will then be awarded with the Golden Flag.

<https://www.youth-connection.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/YC-Policy-Recommendation.pdf>

Partnership



Charter for social inclusion and quality youth work

The Charter and Check list has been created from the perspective of both young people and youth workers, based on their experiences and challenges faced in the integration process.

The Charter contains **20 statements** that describe the behaviour and the actions that organisations, schools, institutions etc. working with multicultural groups of young people should adopt in order to create a safe and welcoming environment.

Why the Golden Flag?

Are you keen on being number one among the organisations working with migrants? Would you like to be recognised as specialist in this field with the support of the Youth Connections project?

Through the Golden Flag you can be recognised at European level for your quality work with multicultural groups and for the efforts contributing to the promotion of social inclusion.

Do you want to know more about the Charter and receive your Golden Flag? Click here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfupB7cw0sEAJ83FmT6aITWookr5sjk1sbuwBIGwNpMLoerFw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Next steps

The partnership has been working on a Protocol for certification of competences, used as a guide to validate and certificate the competences of any professional making use of the innovative learning approach developed by this project and of the contents of the training tools developed.

The partnership is also preparing for the final conference that will be held in Portugal on the 9th and 10th of March 2022.

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