

PROMOTING INCLUSION AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF EUROPEAN YOUTH ON DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES

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Celebrating the Youth Participation Mobility in Greece

We are excited to share the highlights of the Youth Participation Mobility held in Greece, a central milestone of the IncludeYOU project. This dynamic exchange brought together young people from Greece, Spain, Hungary, and Türkiye to strengthen democratic participation, develop civic competences, and promote inclusion through dialogue, debate, and collaborative policy work.

Youth Participation Mobility Overview

Organised as an international exchange, the mobility offered participants a unique opportunity to engage in structured activities focused on civic engagement, youth advocacy, and inclusive democratic processes.

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The central theme, “Policy Debate: Empowering Youth Voices in European Democracy,” encouraged young people to take an active role in co-creating solutions with policymakers and peers.

Over the course of several days, participants enhanced their knowledge of European policies, practised debating and negotiation skills, and worked in intercultural groups to design youth-driven proposals. The mobility combined non-formal learning with real policy dialogue, ensuring that young people were not only learners but also contributors to the democratic process.



Event Highlights

Structured Policy Debate

- Participants took part in a debate simulation where they explored key issues related to youth participation in Europe. By mirroring decision-making processes, they developed youth-led recommendations aimed at strengthening dialogue between young people and institutions.

Workshops on Civic Competences and Leadership

- Interactive sessions focused on building critical thinking, communication, and leadership skills. Through group work and collaborative exercises, participants strengthened their sense of initiative and capacity to engage in democratic life.

Peer-to-Peer Learning and Intercultural Exchange

- The mobility created space for young people from different cultural and social backgrounds to learn from one another. By sharing their experiences with democratic participation and inclusion in their home countries, participants developed a stronger sense of European identity and solidarity.

Dialogue with Policy-Makers

- A highlight of the event was the opportunity for youth to present their ideas directly to invited policymakers and stakeholders. These exchanges fostered constructive dialogue, giving young people a chance to see their perspectives taken seriously at a decision-making level.



Looking Ahead

- This Youth Participation Mobility marks a milestone for IncludeYOU. It not only equipped participants with competences in debate, advocacy, and intercultural collaboration, but also deepened their commitment to inclusive democratic engagement. The outcomes of this mobility will directly inform the IncludeYOU Toolkit, strengthen the design of future events, and contribute to sustainable models of youth participation across Europe.

Explore More

- To learn more about this event and follow the next steps of the project, visit our website:
- Project Overview: Visit our website [www.includeyou.eu] to learn more about the project, discover resources, and follow our activities.
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- Youth Participation Mobility in Greece: <https://includeyou.eu/youth-mobility>
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