Empowering Youth in a European Society

What is EYES?

- A network of young European citizens pursuing active **self-empowerment**
- An **open and permanent** network by and for young citizens in Europe organizing by itself the training and support needed to achieve its goals (trainings, seminars, meetings, street actions, campaigns …)
- A tool that gives us the opportunity to **share** experiences, ideas and propositions of actions in order to **act** at global, European, national and local level
- A network connected to many other organizations all **across the world**

OUR 5 E's:

- Empowerment
- Education
- Environment
- Employment
- European Identity

EYFA - European Youth Forum of Alternatives

- We need a platform for discussion to **empower youth** and build a new Europe which addresses the multiple crises putting our future at risk that are currently not being solved.
- We come together to find real, **alternative solutions** in order to build a democratic Europe which is participatory, integrating and non-exclusive, also towards its neighbors.
- We demand **sustainability** to be the core principle of all European action. We also call for the expansion of forms of participatory democracy in Europe. We desire a stronger involvement of youth and civil society in decision-making processes, which is a fundamental precondition to take on the current social and ecological challenges which we face.
- This forum will be **open to anyone**. It will be a platform for an exchange of ideas, not an advertising space. It will give a voice to European youth, not to party programs.
- Together we want to become aware of the challenges we face in different countries. We want to find precise and concrete solutions, discuss them and make them known to the European public through a **European Youth Declaration of Alternatives**.

YOUTH IN TRANSITION

EYES is currently building the YOUth in transition campaign, that aims to empower young people in Europe and abroad over matters of social and ecological transition. The campaign starts from three hypotheses :

- The social and ecological transition of European societies is already underway, but needs a change of scale
- This change of scale will only happen through a stronger involvement and participation of citizens, and particularly youth
- What is at stake is no longer to imagine possible futures, but to extend and promote the alternatives that are already there – that is, local, participatory citizen alternatives

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