



YOUTH IN ACTION

2007-2013





Introduction

- Adoption by the Commission of the programme “YOUTH IN ACTION” in July 2004
- Council of ministers expected to adopt the new programme in 2006
- Entry in force the 1st January 2007



Background for the proposed programme

- Achievements of the White Paper process
- Consultation of the stakeholders

- Mid-term evaluation of the “YOUTH” programme
2000- 2006



NEW FEATURES

- New programme covers the 2007-2013 period
- Single programme gathering the activities that are being implemented under the « YOUTH » and « NGO » programmes
- New actions and measures
- Enlarged geographical scope
- Enlarged age access



ACCESS TO THE PROGRAMME

Participating countries

- EFTA/EEA countries
- Candidate countries (CRO-BG-RO-TU)

Depending on specific agreements:

- West Balkans
- Switzerland



Partner countries

- Countries integrated in the neighbourhood policy

Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Russia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Palestinian Authorities, Jordan, Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco.

- Countries outside the neighbourhood policy



Objectives of the programme

- Active European citizenship
- Solidarity among young people
- Mutual understanding
- Quality of support systems for youth activities
- Cooperation in youth policies.

Actions of the programme



- Action 1 - Youth for Europe
- Action 2 - European Voluntary Service
- Action 3 - Youth of the World
- Action 4 - Youth workers and support systems
- Action 5 – Support for policy cooperation



Action 1 - Youth for Europe

1.1. Youth exchanges

1.2. Support for young people's initiatives

1.3. Participative democracy projects



Action 2 - European Voluntary Service

2.1. European Voluntary Service (individual)

2.2. European voluntary service (groups)

2.3. Cooperation between civic or volunteer services



Action 3 - Youth of the World

- 3.1. Cooperation with the neighbouring countries of the enlarged Europe**
- 3.2. Cooperation with countries not covered by the neighbouring policy**



Action 3 - Youth of the World

3.1. Cooperation with the neighbouring countries of the enlarged Europe

Type of activities allowed in measure 3.1:

- EVS
- Youth exchanges + Youth initiatives
- Support for NGO and networking
- Support to innovative and quality projects
- Information activities
- Promotion of cooperation activities



Action 3 - Youth of the World

3.2. Cooperation with countries not covered by the neighbouring policy

Type of activities allowed in measure 3.2:

- EVS (depending on priorities)
- Multilateral exchanges (on a thematic basis)
- Exchange and training of youth workers
- Networking activities
- Support of cooperation activities in the youth field



Action 4 - Youth workers and support systems

- .1. Support for bodies active at European level in the field of youth
- .2. Support for the European Youth Forum
- .3. Training and networking of youth workers
- .4. Projects encouraging innovation and quality
- .5. Information activities for young people and youth workers
- .6. Partnerships
- .7 Support for the structures of the programme
- .8 Adding to the value of the programme



Action 5 - Support for policy cooperation

- .1 Meetings of young people and those responsible for youth policy
- .2. Support for activities to bring about better understanding and knowledge of the field of youth
- .3. Co-operation with international organisations



Horizontal objectives of the programme

The recognition of cultural and multicultural diversity in Europe

Combating all discrimination based on

- ✓ gender,
- ✓ race or ethnic origin,
- ✓ religion or belief,
- ✓ disability,
- ✓ age
- ✓ sexual orientation



ACCESS TO THE PROGRAMME

AGE BRAKETS 13 to 30

Flexible approach

Youth exchanges	13-25
Youth initiative	18-30
Participative democracy projects	13-30
EVS	18-30



ACCESS TO THE PROGRAMME

Access without discrimination

The Management of the programme should take into account young people who for educational, social, physical, psychological, economic, cultural or geographical reasons may have particular difficulties taking part in the programme.



Complementarity with other Community actions

- Education – training – culture – sport – languages - social inclusion – equal opportunities – combating discrimination – research – enterprise – EU external action
- Financial synergies with other EU programmes
- Highlighting the programme in a thematic approach



Complementarity national policies and instruments

- European label
- Financial synergies with national allocation



Proposed financial allocation

915 Millions €

