



Strategy Focus Groups

Group Descriptions

Each Strategy Focus Group will be specifically discussing **one pillar of the strategy** and will be assigned one or two Governing Body members whose portfolios are particularly aligned with that pillar. As mentioned in the Concept Paper, discussion topics in the Focus Groups will be both ongoing projects and new ideas relating to the respective strategy pillar.

Disclaimer: Under each group description you can find the date and time for the **Kick-off meeting**. Ideally, you should be able to join that first meeting. However, as each Focus Group will have around three meetings in total, please do not hesitate to sign up for a Focus Group you are interested in even if you will not be able to make the Kick-off meeting. The main requirement is a motivation to engage with the topics that will be discussed in that group.

The Strategy Focus Groups

Group 1

Strategy Pillar: A network that works as a catalyst for active citizenship

Assigned GB member: Lira Mikayelyan

This strategy pillar highlights the EYP's role in equipping its volunteers, members, and participants with tools, knowledge, and connections to engage in society, helping them understand decision-making processes, and creating meaningful solutions to current issues. How can the EYP act as a catalyst for active citizenship and help young people impact their communities and Europe as a whole?

Date for the Kick-off meeting: **Monday, 10 July, 19:00 CEST**

Group 2

Strategy Pillar: A network that fosters a peaceful European society

Assigned GB members: Janis Fifka and Annelou Snippe

This group will discuss how the EYP can play a crucial role in fostering peace, understanding, and open-mindedness among young Europeans. By connecting young individuals from diverse backgrounds, the EYP contributes to building a peaceful Europe. How can the



organisation enhance its internal development, redefine its external image, and prioritise local impact in order to establish a stronger foundation for peaceful cooperation in the future?

Date for the Kick-off meeting: **Thursday, 13 July, 20:00 CEST**

Group 3

Strategy Pillar: A network that operates within a sustainable structure for strategic development

Assigned GB members: Lira Mikayelyan and Annelou Snippe

To thrive as a network, we must prioritise qualitative growth over mere quantity. How can the EYP ensure the resilience of the National Committees, international structures, International Office, and the entire network? How can we secure long-term funding and successful partnerships, and how can we establish a sustainable operational framework for the strategic development of the network?

Date for the Kick-off meeting: **Sunday, 9 July, 19:00 CEST**

Group 4

Strategy Pillar: A network that supports its volunteers and their personal growth

Assigned GB member: Güneş Uğuz

Volunteering and personal growth are essential aspects of the strategic development of our network. How can the EYP strengthen its human resources, improve their administrative management, while also fostering individual member growth? What opportunities, practical expertise, and tailored development initiatives can the EYP offer to its volunteers?

Date for the Kick-off meeting: **Saturday, 8 July, 20:00 CEST**

Group 5

Strategy Pillar: A network that pushes for inclusion and accessibility

Assigned GB member: Jarne van der Poel

Our network aims to be an inclusive platform and has taken significant steps towards this goal. That said, how can the EYP continue to enhance its infrastructure and actively include



young people with disabilities? In what ways should we sustain and amplify our efforts to reach and include more individuals, using diversity as a learning tool, and how can we maintain the current momentum in outreach, inclusion, and diversity?

Date for the Kick-off meeting: **Saturday, 8 July, 17:00 CEST**

Group 6

Strategy Pillar: A network that offers a rich variety of methods, tools, and formats

Assigned GB members: Milica Mijatović and Janis Fifka

Promoting diverse formats and methodologies will elevate the EYP's recognition in active citizenship education and offer vital experiences to all young Europeans. By embracing innovation and adaptability, we can continuously create and provide necessary opportunities. How can the EYP empower its volunteers with ownership and impactful tools, while keeping in mind its goal of cultivating a network of changemakers capable of addressing important socio-political issues?

Date for the Kick-off meeting: **Wednesday, 12 July, 19:00 CEST**