The 5th European EGL Event

Sweden, Stockholm, May 23 - May 25, 2023











The 5th European EGL Event will bring together 170 participants in Stockholm on 23-25 May, 2023.

This event follows the tradition of the first three conferences, when national working group members, and European, national and local key stakeholders met to discuss crucial issues of local youth work and to brainstorm about how the Europe Goes Local network could contribute to developing quality and create bridges between different actors for the benefit of youth work and young people.

The first EGL event in Ljubljana in 2017, set the framework of the project, brought national working groups into life, inspired the first national action plans within the project and suggested to create a European Charter in support of municipal-level youth work. The second conference in 2018 in Cascais was dedicated to the consultation about and the co-creation of the European Charter on Local Youth Work, while the third conference in Brussels, 2019 was the event when the Charter was launched as a result of the common effort of the EGL network. The 4th EGL event in Cluj-Napoca took place in 2022, a reconnecting event after the COVID-19 pandemic, with an open invitation to all youth workers from the local level, first time welcoming also delegates from the neighbouring regions of the EU.

Similarly to the first conference, the 5th EGL event in Stockholm will focus on strengthening national cooperation, emphasizing the role of national and local stakeholders in developing local youth work, using European tools, policies and frameworks. This conference will be an occasion to showcase practices of meaningful national cooperation structures, concepts and projects, discuss the needs and suggestions of different stakeholders to make the European dimension an integral part of local youth

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work, let that be via the use of tools such as the European Charter of Local Youth Work, policy frameworks like the European Youth Work Agenda or European programmes as Erasmus+ or the European Solidarity Corps.

Draft agenda of the event

The main aims of the event

- Bringing together national delegations (national working groups) and representatives of European-level organisations to discuss about:
 - how to build relevant cooperation at the national level in support of local youth work
 - what support is needed from the European level to make national cooperation effective;
 - the minimum viable product in national cooperation to enhance the European dimension in local youth work to enhance quality;
 - the role of municipalities and local NGOs in providing quality youth work, highlighted by inspiring good practices.

Participants

170 participants are expected:

- Delegations of 5-6 people from each EGL member country, including Erasmus+ programme and neighbouring partner countries from the SEE and EECA regions:
 - Representatives of municipalities
 - Experts from local NGOs
 - Researchers
 - Trainers
 - Government officials
 - Members of national youth work umbrella organizations
 - EGL Charter Ambassadors
- Representatives of European organizations, institutions

The conference is fully financed by the Erasmus+ programme.

Here you can watch Mr. Jonas Agdur's opening speech: "Youth workers, policy development and the way ahead". Mr. Agdur is a Senior Advisor at KEKS Sweden and a member of the EGL Steering Group.

For more information, stay tuned via the EGL media channels or by contacting your NA or SALTO Resource Centre (neighbouring regions).

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