



Conference on
how youth work can support youth participation
in remote territories of Europe

Agenda

2 June

17.00 - Registration desk opens

18.00 - 19.00 Opening of the event (Tromsøsalen)

Welcome by **Camilla Ringdal Dukefos**, Head of the Norwegian National Agency for Erasmus+

'Setting the scene for the conference' by **Inge Stuer**, Programme Director of JINT vzw

'Some reflections on youth work in remote areas and tailored youth work strategies' by **Jonas Agdur**, Senior Adviser of the KEKS network

Getting to know each other

19.00 - Dinner

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9.00 - 11.00 From Europe to Tromsø (Tromsøsalen)

'Welcome to Tromsø, the European Youth Capital of 2026' by **Sigrid Bjørnhaug Hammer**, Deputy Mayor, **Klara Fromm** and **Martinus Amundsen**, members of Tromsø Youth Council and **Parahini Parabaran**, youth activist

'Official addresses' by **Lene Vågslid**, Minister of Children and Families in Norway; **Ingrid Bellander Todino**, Head of Unit – Youth and Volunteer Solidarity, European Commission (online);

Tobias Flessenkemper, Head of the Youth Department, Council of Europe

'Ask the institutions': discussion with **Ingrid Bellander Todino**, Head of Unit – Youth and Volunteer Solidarity, European Commission (online) and **Tobias Flessenkemper**, Head of the Youth Department, Council of Europe

Introduction to the team, the agenda and digital tools for the event

Getting to know each other, sharing expectations

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 14.00 Parallel study visits to youth (work) organisations in Tromsø.

Packed lunch included in the visits.

Study Visit 01 Tvibit (3 groups)

Study Visit 03 Cultural school for youth (and children)

Study Visit 04 Alfheim Activity Center for disabled young people

Study Visit 05 Fellesverket at Red Cross

Study Visit 06 Tromsø International Film Festival with their youth program

Study Visit 07 Tromsø Library with their youth section



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Study Visit 08 Tromsø Sami House

Study Visit 09 Outreach team (Utekontakten)

14.00 – 15.00 Welcome back! (Tromsøsalen)

Sharing impressions about the study visits

'Panel discussion: How do young people participate in remote communities? What is common and different amongst the Arctic region, French overseas territories, European islands and remote, rural areas? Exchange about dilemmas, challenges, inspiring initiatives' with the participation of **Sif Vik**, Development and Project Manager Tvibit / Tromsø European Youth Capital 2026; **Mathieu Roumegous**, Director of Agence du Service Civique / French Erasmus+ Youth and Sport National Agency; **Pedro Tavares**, Head of Youth, Sport and Tourism Office at the Municipality of Lagoa – Azores; **Michal Slachta**, Development Manager and Youth Work Coordinator at the Municipality of Jarovnice.

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 – 17.45 Two rounds of parallel workshops, presenting inspiring practices

Round 1				
1	Democratic Participation & Civic Space	Greece	Stefania Kampouri	Smortorget
2	Passo dopo Passo	Italy	Jan Lai	Tromsøsalen3
3	DKN – think, move, don't be afraid	Latvia	Andželika Ivaščenko	Prostneset
4	Youth Democracy Lab	Portugal	Mafalda Roriz	314
5	Youth Work Development Kit	EGL Steering Group	Jonas Agdur	Tromsøsalen1
6	From Beneficiaries to Volunteers	Romania	Georgeta Szabo	315
7	Pałacyk Creativity Center	Poland	Marcin Gołębiowski	Tromsøsalen2

Round 2				
1	The Anatomy of Distance	Italy	Ilaria Zocco	Smortorget
2	Youth Protection Concept	Sweden	Marie Falk	Tromsøsalen3
3	Supporting access to Irish Language Youth Clubs in Gaeltacht Areas	Ireland	John Curran	Prostneset



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4	The Key to the Future	Romania	Sorina Carmen Văcariu	314
5	VR education	Lithuania	Agnė Kovalenkaitė	315
6	Youth Work Development Kit	EGL Steering Group	Jonas Agdur	Tromsøsalen1

17.45 – 18.00 Closing of the day (plenary)

19.00 - Big band concert: [True North: Tromsø Ungdomsstorband med solister // Bryggeriet scene | Facebook](#)

20.00 - Dinner at the hotel

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09.00 – 09.20 *God morgen!* (Tromsøsalen)

09.20 – 10.00 *Practice gallery*

10.00 – 10.20 'Youth Work in the New EU Youth Strategy: Work in Progress' by **Babis Papaioannou**, Policy Officer - Youth policy and Programmes, European Commission

10.20 – 13.00 *Open Agenda* (including the coffee break)

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 16.00 'World Café: Messages to Europe' (Tromsøsalen)

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break

16.30 – 18.00 Conclusions of the event (Tromsøsalen)

Wrap up by the rapporteur, Ondras Barta, researcher

Reflections of the participants and the members of the EGL Steering Group: Sina Riz à Porta, Board member of the European Youth Forum; **Lara Liebertz**, Board member of ERYICA; **Carolina Loureiro**, Deputy Director of DYPALL; **Jenny Haglund**, Secretary General of KEKS; **Claudius Siebel**, Chairperson of the EGL Advisory Board

Closing words: future outlook by Judit Balogh, EGL coordinator and **Martine Lødding**, Coordinator of *Tromsø European Youth Capital 2026*

19.00 - Dinner and celebration of the 10 years of Europe Goes Local

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Check-out from the hotel and departure