Active Citizenship Talks Overview

Active Citizenship Talk I: Citizen's participation in Europe
Thursday, 24th of June, 17:00 – 17:40
Moderated by Vicky Formicola (Governing Body Member, EYP)



Ulrike Liebert

Ulrike Liebert is a European political analyst, author and activist who has taught at Universities in Italy, Spain, the USA, Mexico, India and Germany. Her last books are „Europa erneuern: Eine realistische Vision für das 21. Jahrhundert" (2019) (Renewing Europe: A Realistic Vision for the 21st Century and „Europeanisation and Renationalisation: Learning from Crises for European Political Development" (2019). She is a member of the German Green Party for which she ran at the 2019 European elections. At present, she works on the "Conference on the future of Europe" in a dual role: as a co-coordinator of „Citizens Take over Europe' and as a collaborator with the Forum "Citizen participation and the future of democracy in Europe" at the European University Institute in Florence.

Active Citizenship Talk II: Tackling Hate Speech as an active citizen

Thursday, 24th of June, 17:40 – 18:20



Eline Yara Jeanné

Eline is a project manager at the London-based Media Diversity Institute (MDI), an organisation that works internationally to encourage and facilitate responsible media coverage of diversity. She works on several of MDI's projects, focussing on issues related to freedom of expression, human rights and online hate speech. She works as a media monitor for the Get The Trolls Out! project, and has completed various other short-term media monitoring research assignments. She completed her M.A. in Diversity and the Media from the University of Westminster and has a background in journalism.

Active Citizenship Talk III: Collective democracy and action
Friday, 25th of June, 13:00 – 13:30 (CEST)
Moderated by Helena Nepp (Project Manager, International Office of EYP)



Niccolò Milanese

Niccolò is Director of European Alternatives, a transnational civil society organisation campaigning for democracy, equality and culture beyond the nation state. With Lorenzo Marsili he is author of 'Citizens of Nowhere: How to save Europe from itself' (Zed books 2018) and is the editor of a forthcoming volume on illiberal democracy from Mcgill press.

Active Citizenship Talk IV: Collective democracy and action
Friday, 25th of June, 17:00 – 18:00 (CEST)
Moderated by Janis Fifka (Governing Body Member, EYP)



Stephen Boucher

Stephen is the founder of Dreamocracy, a think-and-do-tank and public interest consultancy on collective intelligence and democracy that dedicates itself to "collective intelligence for the common good". There, he designs and manages citizen and multi-stakeholder collaborative processes and events, as well as creativity processes for municipal authorities, political parties, Members of Parliament, advocacy groups and NGOs. He also teaches on matters related to collective intelligence, future studies, policy innovation, civic tech and political influence at Sciences Po Paris, the Solvay Brussels School, the UM6P School of Collective Intelligence, the Institute of European Studies (ULB) and the Centre International de Formation Européenne (CIFE). He is the author of several books, including the Petit manuel de créativité politique - Comment libérer l'audace collective ("Little handbook of political creativity").



Joe Elborn

Secretary-General, European Youth Forum.

Joe leads the European Youth Forum – of the largest youth platforms on earth. It represents over 6000 grassroots organisations via 108 members. He is passionate about psychology, philosophy and finding the middle ground. He previously taught at MBA-level and ran the environment and healthcare practice in a consultancy firm.

Active Citizenship Talk V: Inspiring Stories of Activism

Saturday, 26th of June, 17:00 – 18:00 (CEST)
Moderated by Tarik Lazouni (Head Facilitator, Active Citizenship Lab of EYP)



Nikola Burić

Nikola is an environmental engineer with more than ten-year-long history of work in various NGOs and the IT sector, focusing his efforts on sustainable development and the transformation of urban ecosystems and the empowerment of its stakeholders. Besides being the CEO of the organization i-dijaspora, Nikola coordinates the work of the i-platform. With more than 290 stakeholders in its network, i-platform supports and promotes the development of Bosnia and Herzegovina by connecting the Bosnian diaspora in Switzerland, gathering and exchanging information, connecting actors from both countries, creating synergies, supporting and promoting initiatives that contribute to the development of social, economic and cultural processes in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



Omonuk Joshua

Omonuk Joshua is a passionate climate justice activist from Uganda who participates in climate strikes. He is the Administrator for the Rise Up Movement. Joshua is also an active member with Fridays For Future. He believes in integrity and equality.



Constantin-Alexandru Manda

Alexandru is a Romanian activist for educational justice. Founding member and former president (2015-2018) of the first school students' association in Romania, Alexandru has 8 years of experience as an activist for free access to quality education. At present, Alexandru Manda is programs coordinator at Romanian Academic Society, the oldest think-tank in the country. During the pandemic, he coordinated a national advocacy campaign for the respect of the school students' fundamental right to scholarships by all the 3182 local authorities in Romania. In 2021, Alexandru received the award Young European of the Year for his entire activity until now.



Noura Berrouba

Noura was a Member of the EYP's Governing Body between 2017 – 2020 and she served as Co-Chair of the World Economic Forum's Annual Meeting in Davos in 2019. Noura now works at the Swedish Dialogue Institute for the Middle East and North Africa at the Swedish Ministry For Foreign Affairs.

In 2018-19, she served on the board of the National Council of Swedish Youth Organisations (LSU), gathering a majority of youth organisations in Sweden. Noura regularly provides expertise and advice to a variety of organisations, such as the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, the Swedish government, the UN Population Fund, and many civil society organisations. In 2018, she was appointed to the Swedish Government's Advisory Council for Environmentally Sustainable Consumption. Noura is a frequent lecturer, panellist and commentator and has been ranked among the top ten future policy-makers in Sweden.