Promoting citizens’ engagement in a time of uncertainty

A report to understand the key topics of the Global Youth Forum

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1 Executive summary

The project

The overall objective of the project is to contribute to a more just and sustainable world by raising awareness and empowering EU citizens as global development advocates. Therefore, this initiative intends to engage EU citizens from highly indebted EU countries (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Slovenia, Spain and Greece) to understand the interdependencies of local and global justice issues and to enable them to become active advocates on global justice issues; thereby anchoring development policies despite austerity measures at home. The Project is funded through the European Commission and other donors at national level over a 3-year period from April 2013 – April 2016.

To develop a critical awareness amongst EU citizens and enable them to see the unfolding European debt crises in a global and interdependent context, a “network of advocates for change” will launch a campaign. The topic of the campaign will be decided through local and global work, having national Young Global Advocates (YGAs), from each country that will reach a consensus on the topic at a Global Youth Forum.

The Global Youth Forum

Within the ‘Challenging the Crisis project’, a 4-day event was planned from 4-9 July 2014 to bring together 56 young people from Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain with the aim to decide a topic for a youth-led campaign to challenge the crisis taking into consideration our global interdependencies and commitment to global justice. The campaign is planned to be implemented in the six participating countries and beyond.

The process of deciding on a campaign topic

Before reaching a consensus on the final topic, each national group of YGAs had been working on a topic at national level to be shared with other groups in advance of the Global Youth Forum.

At the Global Youth Forum, non-formal education methodology to facilitate exchange and the exploration of knowledge to support the decision-making process was used. Each national group proposed a campaign topic which was then discussed and explored through different perspectives. After discussions and exchanges, participants voted and merged two concepts in one topic. The topic for the campaign that was adopted was “Cohesion through Social Economy”.

Key outcomes

During these days participants shared experiences, learned and engaged with each other, understanding the concerns and hopes of young people in the participating countries. They worked hard together to decide a campaign topic which they all felt committed to work for, explored the topic’s meanings and agreed on how to proceed to implement it. Above all, the event was a rich and inspirational experience in terms of learning and planned actions.
2 Introduction

The Global Youth Forum (GYF) took place in Brussels 5-9 July 2014 bringing together 56 young people, or Young Global Advocates (YGAs) from six highly indebted countries in Europe. They gathered to exchange and discuss their ideas on how to CHALLENGE THE CRISIS by organizing a campaign on a topic they would all commonly agree on and consider it to be one of the major issues concerning global justice.

The YGAs worked in their countries during the previous months to define their idea of the campaign with the help of seven organizations (from now on “partners”) that were coordinating this event as part of a wider project. The seven partners are:

- Ireland: Irish Development Education Association (IDEA)
- Italy: CIPSI - Coordinamento di Iniziative Popolari di Solidarietà Internazionale and Fondazione Culturale Responsabilità Etica (FCRE)
- Greece: Fair Trade Hellas
- Slovenia: SLOGA – Slovenian Global Action
- Spain: Fundación Economistas sin Fronteras (ESF)
- Portugal: Instituto Marquês de Valle Flôr (IMVF)

This report contains information about the participants and the learning and decision-making process towards the launching and implementation of a youth-led campaign to challenge the crisis.

3 About the participants

A total of 56 Young Global Advocates (YGA) participated representing in a balanced way the six participating countries, 59% being females and 41% males. They were between 17 and 30 years old being most of them between 24-26 years old.

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The partners organised workshops and seminars on global justice issues, some together with national youth councils and other local youth or social organizations (e.g. Ireland and Spain) as well as other NGOs (e.g. Zavod Voluntariat and Humanitas in Slovenia). Calls for participation as YGAs were sent around via organizational networks and e-mails to those people who have shown interest in this type of project in the face-to-face events.

Young people came from different regions of the countries but mostly from the capitals. Even though most were students, some of them were working and some were unemployed. Over 50% of the YGAs had heard about development education and were used to non-formal education methods. For the rest, these topics were quite new. However, many had been acquainted with subjects like Economics, Business or Law during their studies. Most of them are very interested in human rights, sustainable development, green jobs, environmental migrations, dangers/power of transnational companies, corporate social responsibility, trade, Transatlantic trade and investment partnership (TTIP), debt, lobby and transparency. A few were already experienced in international development, international volunteering and were already engaged in political movements, political parties and trade unions.

In most of the countries participants had met with their national group 3-5 times before the GYF event and through an online platform to get acquainted with the project, with each other and to prepare their participation (see: www.challengingthecrisis.ning.com).

**Expectations**

Another aspect of participation as YGAs is learning through self-reflection via Global Learning Diaries⁴ and these were started as a part of the preparations for the event where YGAs reflected on their participation in the Project so far and the expectations for the Global Youth Forum in Brussels. The main shared expectations were:

- exchanging ideas with young people from other countries, especially to know more about their cultures and the problems they face in their countries
- deciding together a campaign topic
- planning the next steps towards taking concrete actions for change.

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⁴ Appendix 4 - Global Learning Diaries: Expectations and Expectation Wall inputs.
I expect the Global Youth Forum to be a place of discussion and commitment. It’s really important that we are able to share our points of view as Europeans and as individuals. I truly believe that initiatives like this have a key role in the development of Europe and I hope we are up to the challenge and in the end we can help to create a better place for us all.

João Carlos Costa Loureiro (Portugal)

Although we are all citizens of the EU, we are however facing different, but somehow same, problems within our countries. What I am really waiting for is to see what problems exist in the countries participating in the program, how the other teams are facing the crisis in their countries and how they are connected with the global justice issues.

Sylvia Rantou (Greece)

The best thing about being a Young Global Advocate so far I would say is meeting the great people I will be working with on the project. The diversity of opinion has really broadened how I see a lot of issues.

Shane Burke (Ireland)

About the organizing team

The organizing team was composed of 14 people including members of staff from each partner organisation, two facilitators, two Global Education experts (originally from Africa and South America), a graphic harvester, a young film-maker and an evaluator. Facilitators through the dynamic group exercises helped to break the ice and facilitate dialogue among the participants; the Global Education Experts gave an overall view of the issues reminding the importance of global interdependencies; and the graphic harvester was in charge of summing up sessions so that they could be easily understood at one glance.

4 Methodological Approach

The forum adopted a methodological approach based on non-formal education methods in which participants were at the centre of the process and which had a clear action-oriented focus. The forum activities aimed to create spaces to: listen, reflect, share, experience and develop skills, new knowledge and decide actions.

5 Appendix 5 - Biographies of Global Education experts and facilitators
• Listening: Presentations of the national topics and three morning inputs aimed to provide ideas and facts as source of information and a base for the elaboration of the groups' campaign topic.

• Sharing: Sessions in which participants worked in groups created a space to share ideas and experiences.

• Reflecting: Reflective questions and group exercises such as the analysis of campaign topics from different lenses, symbolically wearing different hats (positive, emotional, challenges) aimed to support the group in a deeper reflection process.

• Peer to peer learning: Participants shared their points of view and learn from each others' experiences from their personal and national team backgrounds.

• Gaining practical action skills: Participants received practical tips which they could use when implementing their campaign such as preparing meetings with parliamentarians. They also contributed to social media including Storyfy adding pictures or comments.

• Experiencing: The very same experience of meeting young people from six different countries and having to decide a shared topic was educational and transformational in itself. The richness of informal discussions and exchanges cannot be underestimated. Second, meetings with Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) and international organisations constituted important learning experiences.

• Developing knowledge and actions: Several sessions were dedicated to deciding the campaign topic. Once the decision was made, the chosen topic was explored from participants’ understandings and four task forces were formed which listed tasks to be completed in order start the campaign.

5 OUTCOMES

5.1 Learning about young people's concerns

Prior to the event YGA groups worked within their national groups to define the issues they were most concerned about locally and globally. Some of the topics they thought about had important dimensions related to international development and most of them mentioned they would like to see changes so as to live in a better world. The topics mentioned before arriving at each country’s final topic were: trade, gender, education (values, access to it and quality), the future of the welfare state, ethical finance, a just and equal economy, social economy, unemployment, Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), national debt, power distribution, justice, abuse of power of corporations, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as a tool, asymmetries, corruption, transparency, social cohesion, environmental governance, green jobs to name the main ones. However, each group proposed one topic per country6:

6 Appendix 6 - Initial proposals.
• **Value-oriented education for all EU inhabitants** *(Greece).* At the base of our present crises, there is a need to change attitudes and go back to humanistic values. Education is a powerful tool for change in the long-term and it is the key which opens other rights.

• **Gender** *(Ireland).* Gender inequality is a relevant topic both in Europe and in the so-called “Global South”. There is an overall male-dominated (patriarchal) culture which influences practices of oppression. In times of economic crisis or violent conflict, women become an even more vulnerable group.

• **Social Economy** *(Italy).* To challenge the crisis it is necessary to build an economy based on values of inclusion, cooperation and solidarity, instead of only of individualism and competition. Social farming, ethical finance and other forms of social economy should be promoted.

• **Territorial, Social and Economic Cohesion** *(Portugal).* With the crisis, prevailing asymmetries and injustice become worse in contradiction with a political system which aims to protect human rights and the principle of equality.

• **Green Jobs** *(Slovenia).* Together with the economic and financial crisis and unemployment we face a worrisome sustainability challenge. Promoting green jobs could be a way to address the right to employment and the rights of the environment.

• **Binding Social Corporate Responsibility** *(Spain):* Corporations hold a lot of power and through their activities they have a huge impact in people’s lives (e.g. inequality, human rights abuses, environmental damages). They should act in a responsible manner and since they do not do so voluntarily the EU should implement binding social accountability and create enforcement mechanisms so that Human Rights are respected not only in Europe but also in all countries where these companies, their subsidiaries and providers operate.

### 5.2 Deciding the campaign topic

Several exercises were planned to discuss the proposed topics in a participatory way. One of them that we can highlight was an adaptation of the “Six Thinking Hats” exercise. It aimed to help analyze and assess systematically each topic from different perspectives or angles or in other words “wearing four different hats”. These were:

- White hat: what do we know about this topic? what do we need to know?
- Yellow hat: what is good about this topic? what is its positive potential?
- Red hat: how do we feel about this topic?
- Black hat: what are the risks with this topic? what are the challenges we will face?

Participants rotated among the six topics in six different tables, each of them facilitated by one of the team members who kept notes on flipcharts and posts-its. This allowed every participant to give his/her opinion on every topic. Facilitators summarized the main outcomes in flipcharts (Please, see summary on page 9).

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| **Value-based education**  
Education is the basis of a fair world  
Promotes social awareness, equality, democracy, justice  
Governments do not prioritize it. | Education is a central issue  
People’s empowerment  
Long-term effects, in Europe and globally | Optimism  
Confusion  
Doubtful | Difficult to define universal values  
EU competence?  
Broad and confusing topic |
| **Gender**  
There are many campaigns on gender  
There are commitments (MDGs, EU strategy) but limited progress  
Women suffer disproportionately in crisis times (e.g. pay gap). | It is a dimension of any topic  
A Youth campaign supported by both males and females  
Challenges a patriarchal system | Enthusiastic  
Supportive  
Sceptical  
Discouraged  
Confused  
Concerned | Not related merely to the crisis  
Delicate and difficult issue  
How does it challenge the crisis?  
Very general topic |
| **Social economy**  
Though the concept has a history, there is little awareness of it.  
Economy=society=environment  
Concrete examples available  
Need for technical information, see EU/national competences | Improvement of number and quality of jobs  
Related to challenging the crisis  
Core values (also EU)  
Long term, permanent change  
Awareness-raising  
Radical, real alternative | Interested  
Impressed  
Excited, positive  
Impossible in practice  
Worried, doubtful  
Confused, unsure | Targets the whole system, corruption, competition, against “mainstream” economy  
Public awareness is low/indifference  
Difficult to communicate  
Needs finances  
What will the campaign be about? |
| **Cohesion - Assymetries**  
Existing treaties and policies  
Divide exists!  
Economic justice | Challenges inequality  
Promotes social inclusion | Positive vibes  
Confusion  
Doubts | Broad topic  
Practicalities  
Complexity for a campaign  
Implementation |
| **Green Jobs**  
Definition of green jobs  
Need to know data, best practices, impact  
Sectors related to green jobs? | Workers rights  
Environment  
Local/global issue  
Better quality of life | Enthusiasm  
Hope  
Curious – interested  
Confused  
Frustrated | Political agenda, growth first  
Big multinationals and lobbies  
It requires expertise, legislation, standards knowledge  
Related to global justice?  
Lack of awareness and concern |
| **Binding Social Corporate Responsibility**  
ISO 26000 (provides guidance on how businesses and organizations can operate in a socially responsible way)  
Existing evidence of consumer power  
Case studies and examples  
EU competence?  
Existing EU, UN, OECD papers  
European business network for CSR | Cross-cutting issue  
Potential for historical change  
Known issue  
Local-global effect  
It’s an issue of ethics  
Challenges the crisis  
Brings environmental change  
Great impact | Excited  
Love it!  
Motivated  
Interested  
Frustrated/disappointed  
Confused | Too general  
Unrealistic  
Practical monitoring  
Governments profit from current situation  
Too big to lobby or fight against  
Why would a company want to change? |
5.3 Reaching a decision

The hat exercise was followed by discussions, exchanges and informal meetings among participants. During those discussions the facilitators made a step back and left them work on their own. The YGAs self-directed decision-making took a lot of effort and energy; it was not easy to agree on a final topic but finally after a rich debate and after voting the YGAs agreed on choosing the following topic: "Cohesion through Social Economy." The topic includes many ideas of the other topics: gender, job creation, inclusion, social justice, responsible enterprises...

5.4 Working on the campaign topic

The campaign topic appealed to most participants, yet, it was largely new to most of them. Lots of concepts came up which were related to it, but their meanings, forms of practical implementation and related policies had to be further explored. Some of the related concepts were:

- sustainable production
- social entrepreneurship
- responsible consumption
- fair trade
- ethical finance
- decrease in unemployment
- awareness
- networking, inclusion
- environment
- solidarity
- non-monetary exchanges
- sustainability

In the working groups they also discussed about "what" they wanted to do and "how"

Some of the answers were:

What do we want?

- To put it on the political agenda.
- To empower people to work on solutions for themselves.
- To change perspective /minds (Awareness).

How?

- National Legislation to foster Social Enterprises.
- Incentives for Private Companies (encourage Compulsory Social Responsibility).
- Global Justice.
• Act as a model / partnership.
• Build ethical consumption.
• Create a network (nationally & internationally).
• Promote a different way of thinking about the economy.
• Raise awareness and change consumers' behavior.
• Job-creation – Green jobs.
• Cooperation between workers.
• Organic Farming.
• Ethical banking.

5.5 Deciding next steps towards the campaign

Four working groups were proposed by the facilitators:

1. Social Media and Campaign dissemination.
2. Internal Communication.
4. Capacity-building: identify the training/skills needed.

In the coming months the YGAs will work within their national groups and internationally in task forces defining the ideas of how they want to develop the campaign, the tools to use and their needs for training. To do so they will count with the help of the partners in each country.

5.6 Stakeholder meetings

In any campaign the stakeholders have to be taken into account. Since the chosen ways of taking action were social awareness and advocacy important stakeholders could be: policy makers, politicians, public institutions and non-governmental institutions.

Members of the European Parliament (MEP).

Awareness raising will be one of the aims of the campaign; awareness so as to be able to undertake political pressure so that actions taken towards the Social Economy. For this reason during the fourth day the YGA divided again country by country and went to the European Parliament to talk to the previously contacted MEPs. Meetings were held with twelve political parties.
In most of the cases the MEP showed positive feelings towards the campaign; they showed their interest and their will to be informed and involved in it. They gave assessment and recommendations on the tools to use and about the procedures to follow. It was surely a great learning and a very empowering experience for the YGAs.

**Non governmental institutions:**

**Oxfam International**

The meeting started with an introduction to Oxfam’s work. Oxfam International’s European Union office in Brussels works to influence key decision-makers to ensure that EU policies affecting poor countries have a far-reaching, positive impact on the lives of those most in need. Their work spans numerous policy areas including food security, climate change, development policy and finance, and the provision of humanitarian assistance to victims of conflicts and natural disasters. The EU office works together with Oxfam’s eight European affiliates in France, Germany, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Italy, Spain, Belgium and the Netherlands. They also join forces with allied NGOs and civil society organizations. Oxfam campaigns were also briefly explained (GROW on food security and economic justice, Inequality and essential services, Rights in Crisis). The main advice given to the young people when campaigning was about the importance of citizen’s and consumer’s education and having thorough evidence and facts to back up any proposal or demand to governments or other stakeholders.

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8 Appendix 7 - MEPs.
CONCORD-DEEEP

The Development Awareness Raising and Education Forum (DARE) is one of the core-working groups of CONCORD, the European Confederation of Development and Relief NGOs. The work of Concord and DEEEP was explained, especially near future plans and opportunities in the context of the European Year of Development 2015. This was followed by an exchange of ideas and advice on how to link up the work of DEEEP/Concord. Some of the main points discussed were: a) Concord and DEEEP are working on a program for development education in order to promote a different way of thinking about development through shared-value economies/ shared-economy. Global citizenship education needs to go together with behavioural change, change of model and examples; b) Their program aims to raise citizens’ awareness. Here’s the shared aim with the campaign’s aims. The main advice given was to deepen the learning process about the topic within the group first before starting external awareness-raising actions and to keep in mind the importance of cases and stories. When developing the campaign the representative of DEEEP said “Society is complex, so don’t struggle trying to make it simple”.

6 Evaluation

Participant’s evaluation

According to the evaluation questionnaire filled in by participants, overall the Global Youth Forum has been very positive as 48.89% said “The event was VERY GOOD and I know a lot more related to ‘Challenging the Crisis” and 51.11% said that “The event was GOOD and I know a little more related to ‘Challenging the Crisis’. No one said that “The event was POOR and I do not know much more related to ‘Challenging the Crisis’.

9 Appendix 8 - Summary of Global Youth Forum YGA evaluation.
Among the activities the ones they thought were the most satisfying where:

- Meetings with external stakeholders (MEPs, CONCORD/DEEEP and OXFAM) 73.33% said they were very satisfied
- Welcome evening/Introductions (66.67% said they were very satisfied)
- Global Educators input 'Power and Policy Analysis' (62.22% said they were very satisfied)

The overall satisfaction with the work of the organizers was high. Those that got the highest "very satisfied" rates were:

- Facilitators (Dermot and Ela, Ana and Eirini) 73.33%
- Graphic harvester (Zsofi) 77.78%
- IDEA (overall coordination of the event) 71.11%

The only aspect of the event that was negatively rated was the Hotel staff (57.78% Not at all satisfied).

**Summary of the event**

Taking into account the final evaluation from the Partners and the YGA we can say that, participants not only received information but overall the event was valuable in terms of the experience itself. The challenges of deciding a topic with the diversity of opinions, background and language proved to be an enriching learning opportunity. At moments, some participants were frustrated. They felt they were not being fully understood, they struggled against the time pressure and tiredness having to work hard in a foreign language. They had to learn to be patient and at the same time keep motivation to express their ideas. Some of them proved to be very passionate about the topic they had chosen at national level. Now the challenge was to create a new sense of ownership and commitment to the topic selected as a whole group. The challenge was to balance the objective (choosing a topic in a limited amount of time) with the process of building a group and taking the time to explore all opinions and possibilities.

They had to practice listening skills and they had to learn to explain their ideas to others who did not necessarily share the same perspective. They also learnt a lot in preparing meetings with stakeholders. They learnt about different political parties and groupings at the European Parliament and about how Development organizations are coordinated through CONCORD, their Global Education work and about one International NGO. It was an empowering experience to share the idea of the campaign and receive feedback from policy makers and more experienced advocates.

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10 Full answers: The event was VERY GOOD and I know a lot more related to 'Challenging the Crisis' and The event was GOOD and I know a little more related to 'Challenging the Crisis'
There were also positively valued contributions to the event: the work of the graphic harvester helped to “digest” ideas and have a visual reminder and flow, and having an external evaluator helped to add another layer to the reflection process.

Last but not least, the organising team was an asset to the event for its diversity, adaptability to the changes in the process, complementarities in terms of professional expertise and personalities. The positive working environment was also a factor to make the event a success.

7 Key outcomes and action points

At the evaluation survey the YGAs showed that they are willing to work however they expressed the need for help to implement the campaign. In response to the question: What support do you now need from the 'Challenging the Crisis' partners to implement the campaign? These were the answers:

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<td>Project Partners to facilitate taskforces on different issues (communication, research etc.)</td>
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<td>Guidance by Partners to identify a particular campaign topic within the overall theme</td>
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Taking this into account the following general action points have been identified:

- Identify capacity-building needs
- Identify right communication tools, considering language and working on-line challenges.
- Definition of roles so as to build on everyone’s capacities and develop young people’s potential to the fullest.
- Work on leadership skills
- Think how to keep motivation, collective ownership and engagement throughout the process.

In relation to the campaign implementation:

- Deepen knowledge about Social Economy and analytical skills (e.g. What is social economy? What are its theoretical and ethical foundations? How has it
been implemented in different contexts? What are the various forms of social economy? What are the conceptual differences between Social economy, solidarity economy and social entrepreneurship? What research exist about it? What are the policy alternatives and experiences around the world and of the EU?)

- Defining a campaign strategy.
  - Searching for allies: Who are our allies? Who are the organizations and movements promoting social economy politically? What are they proposing? What campaigns do they promote? Follow up with the Members of the European Parliament.
  - Legislation. What have been the political and institutional responses to these movements and campaigns? For example, how is the social economy in the European agenda and policies and in national policies and agendas? What are the political opportunities? What do young people think is necessary to improve or create new policies?
  - Methodology and tools: How are we going to do the advocacy work? Which tools are we using (will we aim for 1 million signatures?). Deciding what to do globally and what to do in each country locally.
APPENDICES

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Appendix 2 - Project partners

Appendix 3 – List of participants

Appendix 4 - Global Learning Diaries_ Expectations and Expectations Wall inputs

Appendix 5 - External team biographies

Appendix 6 - Initial proposals (we only have Italian, Irish, Greek, and Spanish)

Appendix 7 - Appendix MEPs (we only have Greek, Irish and Spanish input)

Appendix 8 - Summary of Global Youth Forum YGA evaluation

Appendix 9 - Graphic Harvester outputs
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# Programme

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**Fair Trade Hellas** is a non profit, Non Governmental organization founded in June 2004 with the aim to promote the fair trade movement and ethical consuming in Greece and in order to act as beehive of intercultural dialogue and volunteerism for young people across Europe. Fair Trade Hellas, through its employees and several volunteers

- Promotes & implements non-formal educational activities and supports responsible consumerism through global education activities
- Runs raising awareness activities in Greece on alternative and fair economy and takes part in international campaigns and movements
- Builds partnerships on the promotion of ethical consuming & alternative life patterns on a local & European level
- Organizes workshops in schools about responsible consumption and combating poverty worldwide
- Runs advocacy campaigns & publishes material related to ethical consumption & fair trade.

Fair Trade Hellas targets its activities to the following stakeholders:
- Young people in Greece interested in participating, volunteerism and mobility projects.
- The Greek society, to which it offers an alternative to the standard economy and a point of reference for fair trade and responsible consumerism.
- Small producers in developing countries with the aim to fight against global poverty.
To find more: www.fairtrade.gr

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The GYF Forecast (Expectations’ Wall)

**Tomorrow**

- Get new ideas
- “Find an alternative to the ECI”
- “Find a campaign topic”
- “Campaign topics presentations”
- “Grow up and develop myself”
- “Come back with new ideas, opinion and perspectives”
- “Get to know other people’s points of view”
- “New ideas and ways of approaching global issues”
- “Find ways to communicate clearly topics”
- “Collaborate and listen to the people”
- “Meet new people”
- Be realistic
- “Know more about countries situation”
- “I hope to get political challenges”
- “Share my experience with other YGAs”
- “Information on how EU bodies can be influenced”
- Learn how to work all together
3 days

- “The beginning of a simple and effective partnership”
- Discuss about our different points of view
- To nurture courage
- “Healthy discussions and a lot of brainstorming”
- “Listen and Learn”
- “Add different dimensions to our topic”
- “Great Ideas will come out from us thinking all together”
- “Leave Brussels full of memories, new friends, knowledge and passion”
- <3
- “Get involved in the campaign”
- “Make the best use of our uniquely talented group”
- Re-question our knowledge
- “Few late nights of casual conversation!!”
- “Others points of views and perspectives on the crisis”
- “GYF to contribute to a widening of my currently localized view”
- “GYF fun and productive”
- “Listen to attractive opinions”
- Share our ideas with the others
- “Productive meeting”
- “Discover more people that are eager to become socially activated”
- “Good Friendships and Alliances”
- “Create an European network”
- “Create real and territorial connections”
- “Chance to evolve as a citizen, as a society active member, as a person”
- Share Knowledge

10 days

- Create the best place we can imagine
- “Choose a theme that really challenges the crisis!”
- “I hope we can use this mutual understanding to carry on actions to help not just our countries”
- “GYF to be a place of discussion and commitment”
- To be the change
- “We can make some incredible things if we commit and work hard”
- “Help to create a better place for us all”
- Together find will to fight
- Make clear plans
“Transport the final topic of the Project into practical actions and make a change in Europe”
“Chance to be ine voice”
“I hope our cooperation inspires others to do so in all areas of life”
“Do something to make our voices be heard”
“Clear view of our next steps”
“Let’s how the Institutions how Europe should work”
“Create hand-on initiative with a great potential”
“Realize we all part of the problem and the solution
Create dreams
To be challenged
Leave with more passion and hope for the success of our work
Commitment
To share our ideas!
“Keep ad improve the strategic link between civil society and political forces”
“Positive experience with constructive decisions made at the end”
“Quite tiring experience as we will be busy for most days”
“Our proposal is challenging the crisis, so let’s do it!”
To grow out our plans in new generations
“NING to keep updates and friendships alive”
“Keep us posted on what’s going on”

So, to start our reflection before the Global Youth Forum in Brussels, please respond to the following two questions: (maximum 300-500 words per person)

1. What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA so far?
2. What are your expectations for the Global Youth Forum? Even if you are not travelling to Brussels, let us know what you would like to see as the result of the meeting.

Close Discussion
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Replies

Joao Carlos Costa Loureiro · July 4, 2014 at 1:16pm
Hi!

So far, so good. The Portuguese team only had its first meeting last weekend but right from the beginning we are sure we are part of an excellent team. We all believe in this project and we are ready to give our best. I’m really anxious to know the other teams as well.

Being a YGA is privilege but also a great responsibility. We all have the power to change the world, but as people say, with great power comes great responsibility. We need to bring Global Justice to the spotlight and to the political debate among the decision makers. Our mission must be to protect future generations with solutions based on sustainability, focused on wealth distribution and the population’s well-being.

I expect the Global Youth Forum to be a place of discussion and commitment. It’s really important that we are able to share our points of view as Europeans and as individuals. I truly believe that initiatives like this have a key role in the development of Europe and I hope we are up to the challenge and in the end we can help to create a better place for us all.

In Brussels we will have the opportunity to meet with some MEP’s and for me, this is one of the most important steps in the project. The link between the people and its representatives is a key factor of the democracy and a must when we are looking for change and improvement.

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Hello everyone!

1. What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA so far?

Being involved so far in the global youth forum has been a very enriching experience. I’m excited to hear all the concerns, opinions and solutions that all of us young Europeans have to share. I believe that each of us is truly committed to promote change.

2. What are your expectations for the Global Youth Forum? Even if you are not travelling to Brussels, let us know what you would like to see as the result of the meeting.

I hope that through group work, sharing ideas and the desire to change be the beginning of a simple and effective partnership.

Our first meeting in Sintra was very productive, hope that in Brussels the same happens. :-)

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1. What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA so far?

I loved the fact there are so many young adults out there who are tired of the apathy and are willing to discuss, debate and suggest new ideas and put their minds together to work in the construction of a better world. I think as a YGA we have a great gift. They tell us: “here, you have the opportunity to create change – what are you going to do with it?” The very best thing is this incredible feeling of hope. And even better: the feeling of not being alone in this path. Our first meeting was last weekend so I’m still getting to know these incredible people that I’ve never met before but who share so many of my values. It’s been great so far and I’m thinking ahead, on this 2 year long project as something we will build together.

2. What are your expectations for the Global Youth Forum? Even if you are not travelling to Brussels, let us know what you would like to see as the result of the meeting.

I have high hopes because I like to set the bar high. I truly believe we can make some incredible things if we commit and work hard. I look forward to meet everyone and discuss global issues, share visions and
worries about the European future. I expect many healthy discussions and a lot of brainstorming and a few late nights of casual conversation where we can learn more about each other. It’s all about sharing perspectives, understanding other points of view and exchanging ideas. We’ve come this far because we chose to be here and because we care. Our proposal is challenging the crisis so, let’s do it!

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Franciscia M. E. G. de Amorim · July 3, 2014 at 2:11pm

Hi everybody :)

Hope to meet most of you in Brussels.

Regarding the GLD, my first entry: so far, the best thing about being involved as a YGA has been the feeling of a common will to make Europe and the EU a better place to live, to realize that even if we are not a huge group with a lot of political influence, there are still high expectations on what we may be able to accomplish. I think this is an important kick starter, even though it is possible that during the project we will get some “reality punches”, to start believing that anything is possible is in my opinion an ingredient to make some changes. Also, I’ve already have the opportunity to get to meet some awesome people that live in my country and to have debates that allowed me to think about global justice topics that I usually don’t think about.

For the Global Youth Forum I expect that dialogue, discussions, debates,… will be our main tools. I am a true believer in intercultural dialogue and being so I expect that great ideas will come out from us thinking all together.

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Ana Catarina Silva · July 3, 2014 at 11:46am

1. What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA so far?

Being involved in this project as YGA has already given me the chance to meet a group of amazing Portuguese youngster who, like me, are concerned about global issues and are willing to make a change in the world. Our integration weekend in Sintra has been an amazing experience, with interesting discussions and in a very nice environment. Furthermore, we had the chance to listen to the experience of someone who, despite being older than us, has a similar mindset and believe that everyone can contribute to make a change. Listening to that life experience has been
very inspirational to me, giving me hope that if we really want something we can probably achieve it, albeit with several obstacles along the way. So far I am happy with this experience, and very confident that we will manage to achieve significant results!

2. What are your expectations for the Global Youth Forum? Even if you are not travelling to Brussels, let us know what you would like to see as the result of the meeting.

I am not travelling to Brussels, but I hope it will be as fun and productive as was our team meeting in Portugal last weekend. I hope the groups can have fruitful discussions and come to a general agreement on the topic to be worked on, and I do hope the people who will be there will keep us posted on what’s going on, what will be the progress of the “negotiations”, etc. please, if you guys have the time (those who will be in Brussels), share with us posts, photos, links and any information that can help us to be somehow involved in the work. And good luck! Let’s show the Institutions how Europe should work ;)

Cosmin Nada

Greetings from (today not so) sunny Portugal! My answers are bellow ;)

1. What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA so far?

The best thing so far was the fact that I got to meet very different people, with different backgrounds and different forms of seeing the world. I like to believe that I’m a person that values diversity, so when I’m in contact with different people I feel comfortable and challenged at the same time. I consider it’s an amazing learning environment and what I most value in my life is the learning processes.

2. What are your expectations for the Global Youth Forum? Even if you are not travelling to Brussels, let us know what you would like to see as the result of the meeting.

Considering the fact that our first meeting in Portugal was very well organized by our amazing coordinator Ana Santos, I’m expecting the same from the Forum :) Also, I think I will enjoy very much the fact that I will meet people from so many different places and with so many different perspectives. I believe that the place where we live traps us in terms of worldview and makes us believe that what we see is the equivalent of the reality for everyone. For this reason,
I intend to study and work abroad as much as I can. Now I'm in the city of Porto (which I love from the bottom of my heart) already for 4 years and I feel that my time here is reaching its end. I'm starting to feel that I need to exit so I can see and feel different ways of life. Even if it's only 5 days, I expect the Forum in Brusseless to contribute to a widening of my current localized view.

Theofano Mavrovounioti · July 3, 2014 at 11:19am
Hello!

I didn't reach the deadline BUT there are my answers to the questions for the diary as well as an interesting app I have already shared with the greek group!

The best thing about being involved as YGA would be the empowerment in the whole process itself. It was great and very anti-depressing to gather with interesting people coming from different sectors/disciplines and share some positive thinking on change (what would that be and how it would matter to us). Our meetings kept a positive orientation towards change, the brain-storming was intensive and although we run short of time I just loved the discussions.

My expectations from the Global Youth Forum are mostly focused on the outcome though I don't know if this is a good thing! I expect to create a hands-on initiative with a great potential to be voted and applied somehow in many projects in the future.

And the link!
http://www.google.com/edu/classroom/

Cheers,
Theo

Hélder Manuel Matos Rodrigues · July 3, 2014 at 1:21am
I decided to answer the two questions together, probably because the best thing of being an YGA so far are the expectations!

Hi every one! Again, it is a pleasure to be here with such great people who trie to make the difference every day!
As I think you’ve been told our first meeting, the meeting of the great Portuguese team, happened last weekend so I haven’t much things to say. What I can tell for sure is that the meeting with all the
project members from Portugal exceeded my expectations. We have a group of different people from different parts of the country with different experiences and at the top of all that, you all have an enormous will to learn from each other in order to build something great, something that can help the people that surround us!

I am not going to Brussels, however, I can tell you that the ones that are going are, indeed, really good, I wish them all luck!

I have to take my hat off to Ana Santos and her colleagues that brought together all the Portuguese team members, with this team I hope we can produce something take we can remind for the rest of our lives.

I’m looking forward learn, to debate, to work with all of you, and this is probably the best thing this project has gave me in this short period, the chance to evolve as a citizen, as a society active member, as a person! I hope I can payback all this, at least I will work hard to do so!

Go Portugal, Go Europe! Let’s do something!!

Alberto da Cruz Chaves · July 3, 2014 at 1:20am

Greetings from sunny Portugal!!

What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA so far?

Sintra, a romantic town near Lisbon, was the first meeting point for the Portuguese team. Almost 20 ambassadors (10 of them going to Brussels next weekend) spent two days sharing and gathering information about the impact of the crisis in Portugal as well as abroad.

We are the new generation, the generation that will rule our country for the next decades and being active citizens allows us to think independently, taking in consideration our backgrounds and experiences. The members of the Portuguese team represent all the regions of mainland Portugal and have a special contribution of the fellow citizens from two other countries: São Tomé and Príncipe (Africa) and Romania (Europe) that could have a different perspective over the Portuguese crisis.

During the weekend several themes were discussed but three of them were under our spotlights: education; fighting the corruption; and territorial asymmetries and cohesion. It is true that the crisis theme has an endless list of issues and subjects to discuss, but these three take a special status in the
Portuguese panorama. Our final option was the third theme.

After two days of intense (good) discussion, I’m happy to realize that this new generation has potential to analyze and solve problems, and, above all, we are a group with a huge diversity of ideas, professional, educational and cultural experiences, that fights for a better future in Portugal and in Europe.

What are your expectations for the Global Youth Forum?

To have the opportunity to share my experiences with other ambassadors is one of the most exciting points. Six countries, six different realities. I believe it will be days of hard discussion but I think that as a young generation, well prepared to fight for a better future, it will be interesting to understand the other five countries YGA’s perspectives, what we share in common, as well as what make each country a different case study.

Also in Brussels, the Portuguese Team will have the opportunity to meet with some of the Portuguese MEP. It is (also) our job the keep and improve this strategic link between the civil society and the political forces.

Daniel Fernandes Gomes · July 2, 2014 at 11:49pm

1. What has been the best thing about being involved as a YGA (Young global Advocate) so far?

Being involved in the “Challenging the Crisis Project” gives me the possibility to make the difference, to make a change in this beautiful world, and to be an active young adult who fights for justice and just development in Portugal and for integrated development in the European Union.

On the last weekend, I met my friends and we shared our views on several global justice issues. I became more conscious in certain topics and I got other perspectives in some questions. However, the most important was the establishment of good relationships that will bring better work atmosphere. The enthusiasm, the exchange of different perspectives on global justice and an open minded debate have been the best things about being involved in this project.

2. What are your expectations for the Global Youth
Forum?

Even if you are not travelling to Brussels, let us know what you would like to see as the result of the meeting. For the Global Youth Forum I expect to have a very nice contact with the Global Young Advocates in order to know more about their country realities. I also hope that, with a conjugated effort, we can choose an Initiative that really challenge the Crisis, a problem that affects the citizens of our countries, and with hard work, we could make this Europe a better place to live. I hope I can grow up and develop myself in the meeting that we will have.
Biographies for GYF Facilitation team

ELA
Impatient to work with you, eager to learn with you, happy to be a part of it!
I am a freelance trainer and facilitator, active in the field of youth and global cooperation. There are few areas in training that particularly make my heart beat faster: group dynamics, intercultural work, global solidarity and graphic facilitation are lately very much present. It is very easy to make me happy - allow me to: - work in a training environment; - sing with a choir; - cook for friends; and you will sure see a smile on my face!

DERMOT
I have been involved in Youth Work for 20 years and have been a European Youth Trainer since 2005. As a member of the Board of Management of 80:20 'Educating and Acting for a Better World' and throughout my youth work career I have many years of experience engaging with the human rights and development education agenda, particularly with young people. I am currently the Coordinator of County Wicklow Youth Council (Comhairle na nÓg) and am passionate about the idea of young people having a voice in decisions that affect them and also having opportunities to influence policy at all levels. I enjoy playing chess and frisbee, I read a lot and try my best not to fall asleep while practicing Mindfulness! My favourite groups are Public Enemy and Rage Against the Machine AND my favourite character in Game of Thrones is Arya Stark! (Do the partner countries get Game of Thrones?)

IRINI
I have been working with non-formal education projects for the past 6 years. I have studies in International & European Relations and a Master in Peace, Conflict Transformation & International Development. I am currently working as the Project Manager & Volunteers' Coordinator in Fair Trade Hellas, an NGO based in Athens, Greece dealing with ethical consuming and development education. I am also working as a freelance educator/facilitator on global education workshops & seminars.

ANA TERESA
I am a 27 years old global citizen, born in Torres Novas (discover it on google earth) and currently living in Lisbon. After studying International Relations, I did an internship in the United Nations Regional Information Centre in Brussels. In the last 5 years I have been working in the Development Sector, first working, during almost 2 years, as a desk officer in the Portuguese Platform of NGDOs and for the last 3 years and a half as Global Citizenship Education Project Officer in IMVF, one of the partner organizations of the Challenging the Crisis Project. While working, I took a Masters on Development, Local
Biographies for GYF Facilitation team

Diversities and Worldwide Challenges in the University Institute of Lisbon. Being a young adult herself, I am counting the days for the Global youth Forum in Brussels, where I’m sure that YGAs will make their voice heard and will stand for what they believe in.

Celina Del Felice

She is a researcher and educator originally from Argentina, currently living in Spain. In 2013, she completed her PhD on “Transnational Activism and EU Free Trade Agreements. Power between the Tie and the T-shirt” in Radboud University Nijmegen, the Netherlands. Her research looked at how activists exercised power in the negotiation of trade and cooperation agreements. One of her case studies was the Stop EPAS Campaign. Since 2004 she has been working as an online tutor and course developer in the fields of global education, conflict transformation and gender projects. She currently works at Humble Bees, a network of research, training and mediation professionals. E-mail: celina@humblebees.org

Momodou Sallah

Momodu is Senior Lecturer at the Youth and Community Division, De Montfort University. He has over twenty years’ experience working with young people at the local, national and international levels. He has published extensively in the field of work with young people around globalisation and intercultural competence. His research interests include diversity, participation and globalisation in relation especially to young people. Dr Sallah is actively involved in advocacy and set up Global Hands, a Community Interest Company social enterprise, with former and current students at De Montfort University to challenge inequality both at the local and global levels. Momodu was awarded a National Teaching Fellowship in 2013.
1. **What is your suggested topic for the campaign?**  
*Education for global citizenship around Europe*

2. **Which global justice issues does this relate to?**  
- Health  
- Education  
- Gender equality  
- Environment  
- Citizenship  
- Sustainable development  
- Inequality  
- Consumption/production  
- Climate change

3. **How is this relevant to countries affected by financial crises anywhere in the world?**  
*Education is relevant to all functions of everyday life & political situations around the world*

4. **Please shortly describe the reasoning of proposed topic.**  
Which other campaigns or partners could this campaign link with?  
We talked about several global justice issues & after a lot of discussions, we thought that the only way of tackling most of them is education (yet, on a long-term basis). As education is an interdisciplinary issue which goes through all relevant global issues and currently—due to the financial crisis—is being undermined in several countries we thought of brining it up as an inclusive proposal of promoting global citizenship.

5. **How could this be presented as a petition (suggested wording of the question or statement)?**  
VALUE ORIENTED EDUCATION FOR ALL EU INHABITANTS

6. **Which of the European Commission’s competencies does this relate to?**  
Policies for youth / Life-long learning opportunities

7. **Is there a topic within the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals that you would like to campaign on? (This can either be related to your suggested topic above or different. See below.)**  
- Provide equitable and inclusive quality education and life-long learning opportunities for all  
- End hunger, achieve food security and adequate nutrition for all, and promote sustainable agriculture  
- Reduce inequality within and among countries

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8. Promote strong, inclusive and sustainable economic growth and decent work for all

9. Promote sustainable industrialization

10. Reduce inequality within and among countries

11. Build inclusive, safe and sustainable cities and human settlements

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Ireland

What is your suggested topic for the ECI?

- To develop a comprehensive post-2015 European strategy on Gender Equality, which mainstreams gender into all of the EU’s cooperation with developing countries
- Specific areas of interest to be addressed include: conducting further needs analysis of women in developing countries/partial regional areas e.g. Great Lakes, needs of vulnerable female groups e.g. migrant women/women with disabilities, sexual and gender-based violence, trafficking and migration, family planning, inclusion of LGBTI rights in EU strategy. More specific requests could be made in any of these areas, or to require MS to make national plans/commitments/basic targets in gender equality in general or specifically.

Which global justice issues does this relate to?

- This is a human rights issue. We seek equality for all men and women around the world; everyone should be afforded equal access to their rights and to economic, social and political opportunities.

Please shortly describe the reasoning of proposed topic.

- At present women are disproportionately affected around the world by problems related to poverty – climate change, natural disasters, lack of land ownership etc. This results in poorer outcomes for both women and for societies as a whole, including in the area of economic development. Gender is a ‘hot topic’ at present, both within the EU and around the world, with media coverage on these issues rising in 2013 and a number of campaigns ongoing in this area (e.g. End FGM campaign). The area is under-researched in the field of Development Education, but is receiving increasing interest, and was identified by the Irish survey as a topic people are interested in and prepared to support. Economic independence is a prerequisite for allowing you control over your own life and all people must have this opportunity.

Which other campaigns or partners could this ECI link with?

- Irish Consortium on Gender-Based Violence
- Trócaire (Requesting the following from the new European Parliament: Maximise funding within EU development programming both for gender equality and HIV and AIDS, ensure the EU Special Co-ordinator to the Great Lakes, Mr Koen Vervaeke, prioritises the involvement of women, and an analysis of the needs of women, in the rolling out of the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework agreement for the
Democratic Republic of the Congo, fully apply the Comprehensive EU Approach to the implementation of UN Council Security Resolution (UNSCR) 1325 and 1820 in situations of ongoing conflict, and support strengthening the Comprehensive Approach.


- National Women’s Council
- Mary Robinson Foundation
- Amnesty International EU institutions office (Brussels-based) (Calling for: the European Commission to develop an action plan re Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) incorporating data collection, health, international protection and a focus on the external relations of the EU; develop a comprehensive EU response to violence against women in Europe and deliver a strategy on violence against women; get the EU itself and MS to sign and ratify the Council of Europe Convention, which addresses Gender-Based Violence (GBV).

**How could this be presented as a petition (suggested wording of the question or statement).**

- We call on the European Commission to initiate a legislative proposal to the European Parliament to develop/implement a comprehensive post-2015 European strategy on Gender Equality, which mainstreams gender into all of the EU’s cooperation with developing countries.

**Which of the European Commission’s competencies does this relate to?**

- Human Rights
- Development Cooperation
- Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

**Relevant Treaty Articles:**

**TREATY ON EUROPEAN UNION**

**TITLE 1: COMMON PROVISIONS –**

Article 2 – The Union is founded on the values of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, rule of law, and respect for human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities. These values are common to the Member States in a society in which pluralism, tolerance, solidarity, justice and equality between women and men prevail.
Article 3 – The Union shall establish an internal market. It shall work for the sustainable development of Europe based on balanced economic growth and price stability, a highly competitive social market economy, aiming at full employment and social progress, and a high level of protection and improvement of the quality of the environment. It shall promote scientific and technological advance. It shall combat social exclusion and discrimination, and shall promote social justice and protection, equality between women and men, solidarity between generations and protection of the rights of the child. It shall promote economic, social and territorial cohesion and solidarity among Member States. It shall respect its rich cultural and linguistic diversity, and shall ensure that Europe’s cultural heritage is safeguarded and enhanced.

TITLE 2 – PROVISIONS HAVING GENERAL APPLICATION

Article 8 – In all its activities the Union shall aim to eliminate inequalities and to promote equality, between men and women.

TREATY ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Background Information on Gender Issues

EU Strategy in the area of gender equality:


(Critique – The current statement is quite vague re its arguments for the societal benefits of involving women more, lacks clearly presented empirical evidence; this report also doesn’t make the exact reasons why women face barriers to opportunity in different areas).

Key issues/aims within the EU

- Close the gender pay gap: at present women earn less on average than men and are over-represented in low-paid sectors and under-represented in decision-making positions both in the public and private sectors. The difference is most pronounced in the private sector. Lower pensions later in life plus extra care responsibilities also mean older women are more vulnerable to poverty.

- Europe 2020 target: 75% employment across the EU for both women and men

Key Issues/Aims external to the EU

- Background:

  Development cooperation

The EU pursues a twin-track approach to gender equality in development cooperation: gender mainstreaming and gender specific actions in a number of areas. Activities range between:
capacity-building to developing countries;

support to women's organisations;

disseminating information on gender equality through guidelines, best practices and awareness raising.

Gender Equality should also be included in the political and policy dialogue with partner countries.

The 2005 European Development Consensus commits the EU to include a strong gender component in all its policies and practices in its relations with developing countries.

The Communication on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment in Development Cooperation (2007) sets the basis for a coordinated EU approach for the promotion of gender equality and women's empowerment. It reinforces the twin-track approach of gender mainstreaming and gender-specific actions.

Communication on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment in Development Cooperation

In 2010, the EU Plan of Action on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Development Choose translations of the previous link was adopted as part of the Council Conclusions on achieving the Millennium Development Goals. The aim is to put policy into practice and to improve the EU's work on this crucial matter.

Candidate countries

Candidate countries must fully embrace the fundamental principle of equality between women and men. Monitoring the transposition, implementation and enforcement of EU legislation in this area remains a priority of the enlargement process which the EU supports financially.

- In 2008 the EU identified response to sexual and gender-based violence as the weakest pillar of implementation of UNSCR 1325 (http://www.consilium.europa.eu/ueDocs/cms_Data/docs/hr/news187.pdf)

Relevant Conventions, Documents etc.

- CEDAW – Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (UN) plus optional protocol
- ECOSOC works in this area
UN Commission on the Status of Women

UNIFEM

European Instrument for Human Rights and Democracy/Instrument for Stability

ICRC

EU-UN Steering Committee on Crisis Management

World Conference on Human Rights: Vienna Declaration & Programme for Action

Convention on the Rights of the Child (includes no discrimination against children on the basis of sex)

European Social Charter

Community Charter of the Fundamental Social Rights of Workers

Commitments to promote the role of women in peace building and/or enhance the implementation of Resolution 1325 exist in several key policy documents, such as the 2005 European Consensus on Development, the 2006 Commission Communication Roadmap to Gender Equality, the 2006 EU Concept for support to Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration (DDR), the Commission Communication on women’s empowerment and gender equality in development cooperation of March 2007 and the corresponding Council Conclusions of May 2007.

In addition, the European Consensus on Humanitarian Aid recognises the importance of supporting women’s participation in humanitarian aid responses and calls for the incorporation of protection strategies against sexual and gender based violence in all aspects of humanitarian assistance.

Inclusion of Gender Issues in alternative ECI proposals

- Economic independence, property rights, and access to employment are all issues relating to trade and with gender dimensions.
1. What is your suggested topic for the campaign?
Territorial, Social, and Economic Cohesion (fighting against inequalities of access, and Regional Asymmetries)

2. Which global justice issues does this relate to?
Global Inequalities (developing countries vs developed countries); Poverty; Exclusion; Lack of access to education; employment; etc.

3. How is this relevant to countries affected by financial crises anywhere in the world?
In crisis countries feel more than never the inequality of access to basic services such as health, education, etc. This inequality of access is often caused by central policies that do not take into account local contexts and in the long term leads to a disempowerment of citizens.

4. Please shortly describe the reasoning of proposed topic.
Which other campaigns or partners could this campaign link with?
At a national level, there are differences of access to education, justice, health services, etc. from places in the rural part of the country (interior) and on the urban parts, this is for us a big social injustice because it can undermine the personal development of each individual and of society as a whole. Also at a European level it is clear the differences between countries like Portugal, Greece, Spain etc. and Germany, Sweden, UK etc. This is contrary to the values of the EU and demonstrates a clear lack of solidarity mechanisms. At a global level it is widely known that the gap between poor and rich people is widening and inequality is everywhere. In our opinion, a clear policy on Cohesion could be key to help solving these inequalities at all levels.

Partners: Committee of Regions; United Cities and Local Governments; etc.

5. How could this be presented as a petition (suggested wording of the question or statement).
We demand that the EC respects EU funding values and start to have an inclusive cohesion policy:
- That include tools of local decision making power regarding European Union matters;
- In which decision makers are aware of local contexts;
- There is a high involvement of communities;
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- That promotes alternative concepts of wellbeing;
- That involves new ways of thinking regarding funds distribution.

6. Which of the European Commission’s competencies does this relate to?

Economic, social and territorial cohesion (shared competency).

7. Is there a topic within the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals that you would like to campaign on? (This can either be related to your suggested topic above or different. See below.)

This campaign relates to all the topics, but especially to 1, 4, 10, 16 and 17.

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http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/focussdgs.html
1. **What is your suggested topic for the ECI?**

Encouraging green jobs in European and Global context.

2. **Which global justice issues does this relate to?**

environment, economic, global warming, unemployment, poverty, climate migrations, 

 gender 

 equality, human rights 

**How is this relevant to countries affected by financial crises anywhere in the world?**

Unemployment is one of Europe’s most pressing problems and all affected countries on the Global Youth Forum strive to create more jobs for their citizens. After a brief review of establishing so called green jobs in the European union we can identify several good practices which deals with the problematic of unemployment in affected countries. At the same time, the climate and environmental crisis is becoming increasingly serious. The establishment of green jobs in European countries could help to solve the problem of unemployment on the one hand and run the economy and protect people and environment on the other hand. If we only name few European countries: United Kingdom, Germany, Belgium, Austria, France, Czech republic, Greece, Spain - all these European countries has already started with establishment of green jobs which provide decent work which in turn guarantees adequate social protection, sufficient incomes, healthy working conditions etc.

3. **Please shortly describe the reasoning of proposed topic.**

Relay on previous answer.

4. **Which other campaigns or partners could this ECI link with?**

International Labour organization, Green Jobs Network, Green Economy Network, Jobs in Green, different NGOs, green-collar jobs campaign, New Deal for Europe, Natural Resources Defense Council, Civil Society etc.

5. **How could this be presented as a petition (suggested wording of the question or statement).**

Green jobs for better future
education throughout the island of Ireland. We achieve this by acting as a representative voice of Ireland’s development education sector and encouraging shared learning and improving standards of practice within the development education sector in Ireland. We are a member-based organisation. Our vision is of a world based on global justice, solidarity, equality and sustainability. We see development education as an essential process that empowers people to create this world. Find more: www.ideaonline.ie/

Slovenian NGDO platform for development co-operation and humanitarian aid – SLOGA aims to raise awareness about social justice, social responsibility, respect for human rights, solidarity, sustainable development and better inclusion of vulnerable groups in the decision-making process within the context of development co-operation. In order to achieve this Sloga cooperates with political decision-makers and representatives of Slovenian media. Sloga also contributes to the Global Call to Action against Poverty. More: www.sloga-platform.org
6. Which of the European Commission’s competencies does this relate to?

38, 39, 145, 146, 147, 170, 171, 173, 179, 352

Is there a topic within the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals that you would like to campaign on? (This can either be related to your suggested topic above or different. See below.)

2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

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http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/focussdgs.html
1. What is your suggested topic for the Campaign?
Multinationals to respect human rights advocating for accountability and enforcement mechanisms.

2. Which global justice issues does it relate to?
- Peoples’ and Human rights,
- Climate, Sustainability,
- Governance,
- Distribution,
- Limiting power,
- National sovereignty,
- Transparency,
- Equality.

3. How is this relevant to countries affected by financial crises anywhere in the world?
- To end impunity,
- To change power balances,
- To empower civil society globally,
- To brake cycle of inequalities,
- To recuperate political sovereignty,
- Multinationals are one of the most important actors in perpetuating word problems.

4. Please shortly describe the reasoning of proposed topic.
We believe that the way goods and services are produced has a huge and negative impact over people’s life; it produces inequality and unfairness and, often, human rights abuses or violations, as well as environmental damages which puts our planet’s future in danger.

Multinationals are the main actors and, according to International Treaties, the accomplishment of the Human Rights observance, as well as, the fact of being in compliance with these international treaties in order to make them effective within the framework of Transnationals’ operations, is a duty of the States (specifically inside the European Union).

To strengthen the legal framework of the European Union, including economic and institutional resources is necessary, considering the effective way of making international reparations so as to protect the rights within the context of Transnational corporate operations, and being aware of the urgent need to guarantee victims of Human Rights abuses the access to Justice, solutions and reparations. We understand this is the only method, from the EU part, to enforce member States treaties, just like Human Rights and the International Labour Organization treaties, amongst others.
5. Which other campaigns or partners could this campaign link with?
* End Ecocide in Europe: A Citizens’ Initiative to give the Earth Rights.
http://www.endecocide.eu/?lang=en

* Initiative against TTIP. Other social actors could be involved: trade unions, sectoral organizations, universities, political parties, progressive celebrities…
http://www.citizens-initiative.eu/?p=2518

* Fair Trade campaigns.
http://www.fairtrade-advocacy.org/vote4ft-campaign
http://www.tjm.org.uk/

* http://www.alternativetrademandate.org/

* UN meeting provides historic opportunity to stop corporate impunity. http://www.tni.org/article/unhrc-meeting-provides-historic-opportunity-stop-corporate-impunity
http://www.treatymovement.com/
http://www.stopcorporateimpunity.org/

6. How could this be presented as a petition (suggested wording of the question or statement).
• Who has the power?
• Give us the power
• Bring back the power
• We want to know
• Where is our power
• We have the right; you have the responsibility.
• Our right, your responsibility
• Our right, transnational’s responsibility
• Strike back
• Time to strike back
• Recovering our rights
• Reset
• Restart
• Reset power
• Right to power
• Heir multinational fails
• Hello rights, goodbye transnational impunity!

7. Which of the European Commission’s competencies does this relate to?
• Trade between Member States and third countries,
• Customs,
• Development and cooperation,
• Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 206: no harmonious development of world trade would be possible without the observance of Human and Environmental Rights,
• Environment / Climate,
• Internal market,
• Consumer protection.

8. Is there a topic within the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals that you would like to campaign on? (This can either be related to your suggested topic above or different. See below.)

From the list of Proposed Sustainable Development Goals to be attained by 2030 (see below) we think everyone of them is important, but in order to be more specific we have identified a “first level” of goals that we think the topic targets more directly.

**First level**: 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17.

List of Proposed Sustainable Development Goals to be attained by 2030

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9. Promote sustainable industrialization
10. Reduce inequality within and among countries
11. Build inclusive, safe and sustainable cities and human settlements
12. Promote sustainable consumption and production patterns
13. Promote actions at all levels to address climate change
14. Attain conservation and sustainable use of marine resources, oceans and seas
15. Protect and restore terrestrial ecosystems and halt all biodiversity loss
16. Achieve peaceful and inclusive societies, rule of law, effective and capable institutions
1. What is your suggested topic for the campaign?

Solidarity/social economy; new welfare; ethical finance.

2. Which global justice issues does this relate to?

social inclusion; fighting poverty; empowerment; fighting against unemployment; against the narrowing of the welfare state; north-south inequality; bad finance;

3. How is this relevant to countries affected by financial crises anywhere in the world?

As we are living in global economy, each economic action affects the rest of the world. The financial crisis many countries are experiencing are the consequence of economic actions based on the neoliberal ideology that does not take into consideration values such as solidarity and reciprocity. Promoting an alternative economy will impact positively all the other countries in terms of ecological, social and economic costs.

4. Please shortly describe the reasoning of proposed topic.

Which other campaigns or partners could this campaign link with?

The financial crisis has shown the weaknesses of the neoliberal system. Multinational corporations have been de-localizing production in order to cut wages, causing high rates of unemployment that Europe had not seen in decades. The big banks are not giving credit to the real economy while preferring speculative investments or financing only big companies. During the last years the State was forced to pay the costs of the financial crisis within the framework of austerity policies, leading to a gradual narrowing of the welfare state. But possible alternatives are already in place. We need to empower, teach and support them. There are many social cooperatives and enterprises that not only promote relations and social inclusions, valorize local territories and empower local communities, enhance a new kind of welfare, but they are also competitive in the markets thanks to the quality of their products. In addition to that, there exists a number of sustainable and ethical banks that have continued to finance the social economy and have demonstrated to be more resilient to the crisis.

Possible partners: GABV; Fair Trade; European Network of Social Economy; Transition Towns Networks; Libera Terra; Forum Nazionale Agricoltura sociale; Banca Popolare Etica and many others…

5. How could this be presented as a petition (suggested wording of the question or statement).
Social economies in a global world.
Do you know what social economy is? This could be the occasion to meet those economic actors that promote principles of justice, equality, social inclusion and environmental sustainability. Do you know what ethical finance is? You could have the chance to meet who finance and support the social economy and do not see finance as an occasion for speculation.
Did anyone tell you about this at school or at University? Challenging the crisis is your open door to this new world that needs your activation and your support. Visit our website and write to ….. we can arrange a meeting that could change your perspective of the world. You should be a protagonist of the economy you are living in, not just a spectator. Don’t be a party to this system: become the solution!

6. Which of the European Commission’s competencies does this relate to?

7. Is there a topic within the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals that you would like to campaign on? (This can either be related to your suggested topic above or different. See below.)
This campaign relates to the following topics: no 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17

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16. Achieve peaceful and inclusive societies, rule of law, effective and capable institutions
17. Strengthen and enhance the means of implementation and global partnership for sustainable development

http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/4044140602workingdocument.pdf
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<td>2015 being the European year of Development/ During Greek presidency there were official conclusions after having meetings with CONCORD and other stakeholders/September 2014, our Development Aid agency (ministry of Foreign Affairs) will be drafting the national plan on development/In 2015, National Plans on the Agenda before the topics are discussed and decided upon.</td>
<td>There will be budget for campaigning within the European Year of Development therefore we could ask for funding through the Greek Development Aid Agency &amp; we were encouraged to do so.</td>
<td>In general, positive feeling although the representatives seemed to have very different background on global justice issues (The counselor on development vs the counselor on trade).</td>
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<td>Met with Mairead McGuinness, Sean Kelly and Brian Hayes. The politicians introduced themselves and the committees they are involved in. The project was then explained. Point raised that &gt;3000 young people already contacted RE: survey. Irish examples of social economy were mentioned (Blasberry Social Farm, Co. Donegal). Would trade agreements affect “bottom-up” businesses? The kind of petition that would be taken was brought up, with the politicians agreeing 1 million+ signatures would be more powerful than a written declaration, or 4-500 MEPs. The project fits in well into a 12-15 month ethos switching from staying afloat to a more social economy. Credit Unions are good examples of social/ethical finance. The point was raised that the people at the top (ag. MEP’s) need to advocate, while the people at the bottom (NGO’s) implement. Finally, agreed that contact would be kept with the politicians with short, regular updates via email on the project.</td>
<td>Mairead McGuinness is considering taking the issue during her role as Vice President of the European Parliament. Political Advice: Better chance of success if support is from the center parties outwards.</td>
<td>Positive. All three politicians agreed on the importance and said they would advocate and discuss.</td>
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<td>Met with Lynn Boylan. People and human welfare are priority to making money. “Grass roots” approach. Bring social economy to the top to fix problems. Issues are no longer territorial, poor in Ireland have more in common with the poor in Zambia, and the rich with the rich. The bottom line for Lynn’s Irish party is equality. A lot of the project tallies with the parties policies. Grants should be “social-proofed”. Point raised that trade agreements should protect &amp; support social economy. Support and advocacy was asked for, and possibility of going through schools and even becoming part of the education system was mentioned. Get global and local NGO’s to work together. Business is not a monster, should be serving the people. It’s not just about jobs, it’s about proper jobs.</td>
<td>EU Member states receive social funds but must clear with the EU how they can spend them. At present cohesion funds are more commonly used for building/infrastructure than for social economy, the focus depends on the makeup of individual governments and the Council. The new European Commissioner for Employment and Social Affairs will have an impact on what happens next. The European Social Fund could be a potential source of funding for social economy projects. Ms Harkin supports a minimum income across the EU and identified flexicurity as a labour market trend on the rise.</td>
<td>Positive. Willing to get involved back home in Ireland if needed for conferences, talks etc.</td>
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<td>The campaign was introduced. Ms Harkin then spoke about social funding and economy in Europe and gave her assessment and recommendations for the project. She asked for clarification on a number of issues, including the targets of the campaign, IDEA funding, and our plan going forward. She also talked about her own work, expressing an interest in ethical financing and mentioning a resolution on youth unemployment on which she is currently working.</td>
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<td>Relatively positive about the idea of the campaign, with an interest in hearing more about it when more developed.</td>
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| Italy | Democratic Party | S&D | Silvia Costa introduced herself and her new engagement at the European Parliament as President of the Culture Committee and she said to the Italian MEPs that her first battle would be on resources for the Erasmus program. She did inform us about Multi-Year Programmes such as Youth in Action, Creative Europe, Erasmus Plus, and European Heritage Label which have just been approved, and the 2015 Estimate Budget is going to be approved too. She then goes to ask the European Commission the monitoring data for both Erasmus and Creative Europe. We will fight for being sure there are enough resources for covering these crucial programmes, added Costa, who said she hopes “to implement a proficient cooperation with the other Committees whose areas of intervention overlap ours, such as cultural tourism and Internet cultural contents.” She was very happy of our visit and interested in CTC project and the topic of campaign. Gabriele Mandolesi explained the reason of our visit and our future engagement on the international campaign and she said that the topic we have chosen is very important for the future of Europe and that this is already at the centre of political debate.

Especially on the field of education and vocational training she did explain the potentiality of Erasmus Plus and she gave us the name of directors of the Italian National Agency dealing with Erasmus. She said she would be available to provide us with the European official documents on social farming.

She said to look at the new European strategy 2020 and to highlights on our campaign how social economy matches with most of new objectives.

Political Advice: Better chance of success if support is from the center parties outwards.

| Portugal | Aliança Portugal (MEP Carlos Coelho) | EPP | The divorce between young people and the European Project. The biggest challenge for EU is territorial cohesion which is also one of the key questions of the European community. Cohesion was already pointed out as one of the EU’s main goals in the Maastricht Treaty. At a global level intergenerations cohesion is also important, meaning the fact that young people have the right to be involved in all the debates because today’s decisions will affect their future. At a Social Economy level is important to say that in Portugal there are a lot of good practices in this area, but that at European Level there are different traditions in each country. For example in Ireland, Trade Unions are one of the main players in SE.

Gave us names of several people we could contact at a Social Economy level: Manuel Lemos - União das Misericórdias Portuguesas; Padre Lino Maia - CASES; Marco António Costa - PSD; Agostinho Brandão (Camis Social) and Rui Marques (Mov Esperança Portugal); he also suggested that we would arrange a meeting with people that have opinion about these areas (MEPs, EC, and in Portugal); On territorial cohesion we should address the funds available at the EU level, specially the commissioner that will be appointed to this area in september (Junker Commission). At a MEPs level she suggested that we contact José Manuel Fernandes who is the coordinator of the Budget Commission of the EP and Carlos Zorrinho expert in regional development. At the current EC, he gave us the contact of one of the EC Officers Armando Cardoso that deals with the EC funds. In Portugal, and at the governmental level the Secretary of State Manuel Castro Almeida is also a good person for us to contact. Regarding the tools that could be used for the campaign, she talked about the Petition (at a national level there are 2 types; we had to make recommendations to the government institutions - civic petition; or we demand a legal change - legal petition), at the European Parliament a petition has always to be about a violation of the rights of EU citizens, and it’s ONLY subject to a parliamentary debate. He also mentioned the EC (and we said we couldn’t do it) but he insisted that money was not a problem and that if the theme chosen for the campaign is also a matter of national interest that maybe governments could support us. He also said that when we have the topic of the campaign we can write him and maybe he will give us his sponsorship. He said that if we ask for an objective output that it’s easier for the media to communicate on the campaign. Another tool could be to find a public hearing in the commission of budget (for cohesion) or regions and invite the european commissioner to those hearings.

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| Portugal | CDU (MEP João Ferreira) | GUE/NGL | We talk about the well being concept and about the fact that EU funds are currently being used to increase inequalities at a local, regional (EU) and global level. Social Economy can help to decrease those inequalities (e.g. cooperatives on agriculture, consumption and household). Ethical funding - the need to make a research on the situation on the field (What is Social Economy today? What exists? What is still missing? What EU funds are used to support the actions). The advantage of the topic we choose he said it was the fact it was a reality that is close to us and that help us to connect to the reality.

João Ferreira said we could ask the Parliament to make recommendations to the EU at this level, he also mentioned that we could advocate with the EC for the need of the EC to use their right of initiative. He also suggested that we could ask the Parliament to make a recommendation to the EC to make the funds of the European Investment Bank support Social Economy. He also mentioned José Manuel Fernandes as a person we could contact. Advised us to focus our advocacy actions on the commissions that are related to the topic and to ask debates in a specific topic. Showed availability to meet us in Portugal. And sent us a question that he had made to the Commission on the funding for Social Economy.

| Portugal | PS (MEP Liliana Rodrigues) | S&D | Liliana Rodrigues used to be a teacher in university and she comes from Madeira, one of the Islands of Portugal, so she is very interested in education and in ultra-peripheral regions and what the EU is doing on these 2 topics. In Madeira, and already as a MEP she is opening an office for EU fund information to help entities to take the most advantage of Horizon 2020 funds ($6 billion euros to renewable ebergies, environment and youth employment).

Indicated us the name of another MEP Fernando Rua (who used to be the president of the portuguese municipalities association). Said us to link the campaign with the EU values. Refered the Green Book on Social Cohesion and the proposal to create and index on Social Cohesion. Suggested that we contacted the Committee of Regions and the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR).

Positive - Suggested that we renamed the campaign to: Promote Social Economy to achieve Cohesion.

Positive - Agreed on the importance and said they would advocate and discuss. She said that she be in touch with the other MEPs met by other countries involved in the project and that she could also listen some of the YSGs at the European Youth Forum.

She also offer to help us to let Renzi know about our campaign and try to fix a meeting the him.

Positive - Showed availability to support us on a latter stage.
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The whole group have met with Alojz Peterle, who is member of European Committee for external affairs. The meeting took place just five days before national elections which influenced the agenda to certain extent. After introductory part, project was explained together with youth challenges. Concept of Social economy was mentioned as selected topic, which caused mixed feelings at the interlocuteur, since social enterprises needs to generate profit as well. Finally, we have agreed that contact would be kept based upon short and regular updates via email on the topic.

Neutral. His perception of the topic was rather warning about possible misinterpretations and the need to become a profit oriented.

PODEMOS is a new party in the parliament so it was difficult in terms of clear guidance. However it was a great time to talk about our project and how the party can help us. Their party is concerned about the US-EU trade agreement and has taken a stance against the agreement, as a priority because of the consequences it will have on the social fabric. This agreement will add to the power of multinationals in the world which in turn will affect the activities of small businesses as social economy initiatives.

They were really very interested, because they were already sensitive about the topic of the campaign, but as they are beginning their presence in the Parliament, they couldn’t give us much useful information for our purposes. Though, they will definitely collaborate with us on the broadcasting of our Petition, especially because they are interested in linking the social economy subject with the major problem of youth unemployment in Spain.

Spanish YGA's explained the project, the topic of the campaign and the YGA's concerns. Marina told us that in order to change the way that enterprises work and their behaviour, it is important to talk about Corporate Social Responsibility besides social economy initiatives, as they are linked.

Marina has just began her tenure in Parliament, although her party is an old one. She belongs to the Petitions Commission, which is a good contact for the project. The problem was that she is a bit inexperienced in the bureaucratic world, so she only could help us with how to use the Petition tool for the campaign.

Marina and her party are ready to help us with the broadcasting of the campaign. It is very good that she is one of the youngest MEPs in the Parliament, so she can connect very well with YGA's vision. We took her personal email so that we can inform her directly on the progress of the campaign. She is also interested in linking the social economy topic of our campaign with the youth unemployment problem in Spain.

We explained to him the project and topic campaign. Sergio explained to us that he belongs to the Internal Market in first position, and the Employment as substitute. He informed us about work and reports made in past legislation, as the "Social Business Initiative", by H. Becker. Besides, he explained to us that there are several tools in order to make "noise" in the Parliament about our topic campaign, apart from the Petition.

Petitions are not a good tool for our topic campaign, as the only goal that they have is to make "people in the Parliament" talk about the topic, especially in social media. A Petition will never change the rules of the European politics. Soledad Cabezon, another Spanish MEP from the same party joined us for 15 minutes in the meeting, which was very useful as she belongs to the "Petitions Commission". She told us that in order to place a Petition, it should have been proven that Human Rights has been violated which can be avoided by a EU legislation. In the case of our campaign, many social human rights are being violated. Sergio explained to us other tools that could be useful for our campaign: Written Declaration, Parliament question, Self initiative report, Green Book, Motions.

Sergio is from one of the biggest political groups and has a lot of experience as he has been in the Parliament for 4 years and has just been selected for the General Secretary of the Spanish Socialist Delegation in the Parliament. He is one of the more sensitive MEPs of the socialist group and he is in charge of the Employment topic on the European Semester, working on building the social dimension of the economic and monetary union, which would be equivalent to the Economic and the budget dimensions. So this meeting was very useful even if his party’s ideological position is farther away from ours. Soledad is a direct contact in the Petition commission. We have both email contacts.

He explained to us about the daily work in Parliament. We told him about the project and the process in deciding the campaign topic.

He belongs to the Constitutional Affairs Commission. He advised us that to reach big social support it is important to unite several party and political groups. On the other hand, it is important to work out a very simple idea from our campaign so that it is easy to communicate it.

Positive: The MEP believes that young people need to take the initiative to change the situation in Europe but also he advised us to aim to have an operational and specific proposal and fight against the problem of youth unemployment also.
Q1 What is your gender?

Answered: 51  Skipped: 0

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Q2 What is your age?

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Q3 Which country did you represent during the Global Youth Forum?

Answered: 51  Skipped: 0

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CtC Global Youth Forum evaluation
Q4 Please rate your overall satisfaction with the Global Youth Forum:

Answered: 45  Skipped: 6

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Q5 Please indicate your satisfaction with the following elements

Answered: 45  Skipped: 6

Saturday:
Welcome...

Sunday (am):
Global...

Sunday (am):
Frank's...

Sunday (am):
Presentation...

Sunday (pm):
Exploration...

Sunday (pm):
Plenary debr...
CtC Global Youth Forum evaluation

Monday (am):
Global...

Monday (am):
'Thinking Ta...

Monday (pm):
Exploration ...

Monday (pm):
Plenary...

Monday (pm):
Plenary debr...

Tuesday (am):
Global...

Tuesday (am):
Preparation ...
CtC Global Youth Forum evaluation

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Saturday: Welcome evening/Introductions
- Not satisfied at all: 2.22%
- Satisfied: 20.00%
- Very satisfied: 66.67%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 11.11%
- Total: 45

Sunday (am): Global Educators input 'Unpacking Global Injustice'
- Not satisfied at all: 2.27%
- Satisfied: 38.64%
- Very satisfied: 59.09%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 0.00%
- Total: 44

Sunday (am): Frank's presentation on new campaign tool
- Not satisfied at all: 0.00%
- Satisfied: 51.11%
- Very satisfied: 46.67%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 2.22%
- Total: 45

Sunday (am): Presentation of country campaign topics
- Not satisfied at all: 8.89%
- Satisfied: 55.56%
- Very satisfied: 33.33%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 2.22%
- Total: 45

Sunday (am): Plenary debrief by Momodou and Celina
- Not satisfied at all: 8.89%
- Satisfied: 44.44%
- Very satisfied: 51.11%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 0.00%
- Total: 45

Monday (am): Global Educators input 'Power and Policy Analysis'
- Not satisfied at all: 8.89%
- Satisfied: 28.89%
- Very satisfied: 62.22%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 0.00%
- Total: 45

Monday (am): 'Thinking Tank' youth-led discussion on campaign topics and voting
- Not satisfied at all: 15.91%
- Satisfied: 29.55%
- Very satisfied: 52.27%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 2.27%
- Total: 44

Monday (am): Exploration of chosen topic 'cohesion for social economy'
- Not satisfied at all: 13.64%
- Satisfied: 43.18%
- Very satisfied: 40.91%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 2.27%
- Total: 44

Monday (am): Plenary evaluation session with Alastair (evaluator)
- Not satisfied at all: 9.09%
- Satisfied: 36.36%
- Very satisfied: 50.00%
- Non-applicable (I did not attend): 4.55%
- Total: 44

Monday (am): Plenary debrief by Momodou and Celina
- Not satisfied at all: 8.89%
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## CtC Global Youth Forum evaluation

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*Note: The ratings are on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest.*
Q6 Please indicate your overall satisfaction with the work of:

Answered: 45  Skipped: 6

- Facilitators (Dermot and...)
- Global Education...
- IDEA (overall coordination...)
- Graphic harvester...
- Film-maker (Kyriakos)
- Social media (Marco)
### CtC Global Youth Forum evaluation

#### Not at all satisfied | Satisfied | Very satisfied | I don't know/No opinion | Total
---|---|---|---|---
Facilitators (Dermot and Elia, Ana and Eirini) | 0.00% | 26.67% | 73.33% | 0.00% | 0 | 45
Global Education experts (Momodou and Celina) | 2.22% | 42.22% | 55.56% | 0.00% | 0 | 45
IDEA (overall coordination of the event) | 4.44% | 24.44% | 71.11% | 0.00% | 0 | 45
Graphic harvester (Zsofi) | 4.44% | 13.33% | 77.78% | 4.44% | 2 | 45
Film-maker (Kyriakos) | 2.22% | 20.00% | 68.89% | 8.89% | 4 | 45
Social media (Marco) | 4.44% | 28.89% | 64.44% | 2.22% | 1 | 45
Evaluator (Alasdhair) | 2.22% | 26.67% | 68.89% | 2.22% | 1 | 45
Hotel staff | 57.78% | 35.56% | 4.44% | 2.22% | 1 | 45
Q7 Please indicate your satisfaction with the logistics of the event

Answered: 45  Skipped: 6

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Q11 What support do you now need from the 'Challenging the Crisis' partners to implement the campaign?

Answered: 45  Skipped: 6

Answer Choices

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<td>Project Partners to facilitate taskforces on different issues (communication, research etc.)</td>
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<td>Regular information exchange on the NING platform</td>
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<td>Another Global Youth Forum bringing YGAs from different countries together</td>
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Total Respondents: 45
Q13 How prepared do you now feel to implement the campaign following the Global Youth Forum in Brussels?

Answered: 45  Skipped: 6

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GLOBAL YOUTH WORK

How to become an agent of change?

What is our intention?

How do we make change?

You are at a good place to start!

What makes global youth work effective?

Better negotiators
Future-oriented
Open-minded
Know more about peers
Creativity & innovation
Energy & time

Global hands

Taking action

Liberation

It's a process.

Moral green economy
Survival
Non-violence
Anarchy

Proving consciousness

Effective?
Finding a Topic

Education  Change Takes Time!
Economic

You Are Not Alone! +1  Empowerment  Equality

Youth Campaign

What Are We Asking From the EU?

Do We Have Power Because We Are Together?

What Is the Tool and What Is the Aim?

1 Person 1 Vote

Time to Vote!

We Found It!

Cohesion Through Social Economy

But What Do We Mean by That?
Power & Policy Analysis

What to analyse?
- Decisional Power
- Discursive Power
- Change is not an accident, planning.
- Integrating younger generation into present system
- Learn the rules!
- If many people ask questions, they have to address it.

Repressive State
- Ideological State
- It's not an accident, planning.

Public Education is about power
- Gaventa's Power Cube
- Places, Spaces
- Press Conference, Invited Space
- Closed Doors, Negotiation, Hidden Power, Closed Space
- Town Hall, Local Level Decision
- United Nations, Global Level Decision

Decision of prices, global space

Social Movement
- Created

Paolo Freire
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GLOBAL YOUTH FORUM

CHALLENGING THE CRISIS

SLOVENIA

DOORS CLOSING!

ITALY

SOCIAL ECONOMY

SPAIN

RIGHTS OF THE ENVIRONMENT

PORTUGAL

TERRITORIAL SOCIAL ECONOMIC COHESION

IRELAND

GENDER INEQUALITY

GREECE

VALUE-ORIENTED EDUCATION

CSR
CTSE

Cohesion through Social Economy

Alternative Forms of Economy

Bridging the Gap

Producing + Consuming

Human Economy

Message to MEPs

Europe is NOT dead!

Make! Change! Presto!

+ Context
+ Why Engage
+ How to Help
+ Reconnect
+ How you feel
+ Roles
+ Stay on Topic
+ Next steps
+ Make it memorable for them

Social Economy

Agriculture

Housing

Doing Business

New way of the center

Social Values
LIST OF NGOs TO PARTNER WITH

RESEARCH

CONTACT POTENTIAL PARTNERS

INTERNAL COMMUNICATION

REFINE THE MESSAGE

FOCUS

SOCIAL MEDIA

COMMUNICATION

BLOGGING

2015

PUBLICITY

EUROPEAN YEAR OF DEVELOPMENT

GOOD LUCK GUYS!

CAPACITY BUILDING

CREATE EXPERTS' NETWORK

ORGANISE TRAININGS