



# Youth Policies : Participation and Inclusion

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# Youth policies



- Treaty of Maastricht Art. 149 § 2
- White paper on Youth policy- November 2001
  - ⇒ *4 youth priorities*
    - Participation
    - Information
    - Voluntary activities
    - Greater understanding and knowledge of youth
  - ⇒ *Youth in other policies*





- Resolution of 27 June 2002
- The European Pact for Youth – March 2005  
=> *3 strands*:
  - Employment and social integration
  - Education, training and mobility
  - Reconciling work and family life
- Resolution of November 2005



# European cooperation in the field of youth



- 3 strands
  - Young people's citizenship (OMC)
  - The European Pact for Youth
  - Including a youth dimension in other policies
- DG EAC Direction D
  - D1 : Youth policies
  - D2 : Youth programme



# Health in the youth field



## Legal basis and political context

- Council Resolution of 15.11.2004 on common objectives for a greater understanding and knowledge of youth
- Communication of 30 Mai 2005 on European policies concerning youth -Addressing the concerns of young people in Europe – implementing the European Youth Pact and promoting active citizenship





- Commission decision of 10 February 2006 adopting the work plan for 2006 for the implementation of the programme of Community action in the field of public health
- Paper of the Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA)-11 October 2006  
“Investing in Youth: from childhood to adulthood”



# HIV/AIDS and YOUTH



- Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on combating HIV/AIDS within the EU and in the neighbouring countries, 2006-2009
- UNAIDS' "AIDS Epidemic Update" (Dec. 2006)
- The 2006 "Report on the global aids epidemic" of UNAIDS
- Commission decision of 12 February 2007



# Youth policies : the method



- Structured dialogue

White Paper on Youth

- Peer learning

Resolution on implementing the common objectives for participation by and information for young people in view of promoting their active European citizenship (13 November 2006)







# Youth policies : the tools



# Youth in Action Programme 2007-2013



Budget 885 million euros – Each year 110 000 young participants and 10 000 projects.

- Action 1 - Youth for Europe
- Action 2 - European Voluntary Service
- Action 3 - Youth in the World
- Action 4 - Youth Support Systems
- Action 5 - European Cooperation in the youth field





- Inclusion Strategy of the programme :  
young people with fewer opportunities

Social obstacles

Economic obstacles

Disability

Educational difficulties

Cultural differences

Health problems

Geographical obstacles



# SALTO Inclusion



## **8 resource centres on a specific priority or region**

- SALTO Cultural Diversity (UK)
- SALTO Inclusion (Belgium-FI)
- SALTO Participation (Belgium-Fr)
- SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus (Poland)
- SALTO Euro Med (France)
- SALTO South-East Europe (Slovenia)
- SALTO Training and Cooperation (Germany)
- SALTO Information (Sweden/Hungary)

“Horizontal” tasks



# Information for young people



- The European Youth Portal
- 32 Eurodesks
- The European Youth Information and Counselling Agency (ERYICA)
- The European Youth Card Association (EYCA)



# Information about young people



The European Knowledge Centre for Youth Policy (EKCYP)

- Youth research Partnership activity between the Council of Europe and the European Commission
- Tool in the implementation of the Common Objectives on a Greater Understanding and Knowledge of Youth and for the monitoring of youth policy



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