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INTRODUCING **EURHOPE.ORG**

AN INNOVATIVE PLATFORM
REVEALING EUROPEAN
POLITICAL PARTIES' RESPONSES
TO YOUTH PRIORITIES
EXPRESSED IN THE EURHOPE
CONSULTATION

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Press release

The EurHope campaign, a collaborative effort that united over **1.5 million voices and 5,000 proposals from youth across all 27 EU countries**, has culminated in the launch of the innovative **EurHope platform**. The first pan-European, multilingual tool of its kind, the platform **aims to elevate young citizens' priorities in the lead-up to the 2024 EU Elections**.

On 8 May, we will publish the European political parties' reactions to the 15 priorities of young citizens from 27 member states.

Our platform provides an overview on the parties' positions in 22 languages on the basis of the consensual priorities of young voters. All European political parties with 10 or more seats in the current European Parliament were invited to share their reactions. We now make them accessible to a broader audience in an easy and user friendly way. Moreover, we draw on the unique triangle between citizens, parties and civil society by also including the reactions to the 15 points of a diversity of civil society organisations working in cooperation with JEF Europe.

From May 9th to September 30th, 2023, young people coming from all around Europe engaged in a multilingual consultation, answering one question: "What are your ideas for building together a Europe that can respond to future challenges?". Through their votes, they contributed to shape the Agenda of Hope, 15 priorities on which all young Europeans agree on, ahead of the European elections. In response to this significant youth engagement, the EurHope platform was created to amplify this citizen-driven agenda.

On eurhope.org, citizens can immerse themselves in the Agenda of Hope, exploring the different dimensions, discovering the most supported proposals and the priorities articulated by young voices across Europe. The platform is available in 22 European languages, ensuring that individuals can explore the results in their preferred language.

The platform will be launched during the upcoming EurHope final event, organised on May 8th at the European Economic and Social Committee. This event will begin with opening remarks by Oliver Röpke, President of the EESC, followed by interventions from civil society organisations, leading into a debate between young candidates for the European elections.

It will mark a significant campaign milestone, as the platform's main feature will finally be unveiled: the responses of European political parties to the Agenda of Hope. The platform will transition into a tool empowering young citizens to make well-informed decisions as they prepare to cast their votes in the upcoming European elections.

Discover EurHope.org



Explore the different dimensions of the Agenda of Hope

Find out what are young people's priorities for the future of Europe

Main Ideas

These ideas gathered over 65% votes in favour

<p>CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Developing more efficient and accessible rail transport</p> <p>Discover this idea</p>	<p>CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Strengthening sustainable European industries and recycling</p> <p>Discover this idea</p>	<p>CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Promoting innovation in European agriculture and sustainable farming</p> <p>Discover this idea</p>
<p>CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Increasing the protection of biodiversity within the EU and beyond</p> <p>Discover this idea</p>	<p>CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Accelerating the energy transition and the reduction of carbon emissions</p> <p>Discover this idea</p>	

Proposals by young citizens

Find a selection of the proposals made by young Europeans

Riccardo, 32
It is necessary to ensure that all citizens have access to basic psychological care services in a free and accessible manner.
👍 77% approval

Irene, 33
It is necessary to ensure free and universal public health care in all EU member states.
👍 79% approval

Péter
Men must be offered health (cancer) screenings like women.
👍 87% approval

Discover young citizens' proposals

POSITION BY JEF EUROPE & DEMOCRACY INTERNATIONAL.

While noticeable advances have been seen when it comes to citizen involvement in EU decision-making during the past decades, there is a need to deepen the democratic reform of the EU. Thus, it is necessary to take measures such as the reform of the European Citizens Initiative mechanism and institutionalisation of the EU Citizens Panels, the strengthening of the 'Spitzenkandidat' system, the implementation of transnational lists to the EP or the call for a European Convention for Treaty reform.
[Find the extended version here.](#)

Read the Youth Coalition's position

Responses by European political parties

All European political parties that are represented with ten or more members in the European Parliament (in February 2024) were invited to provide their responses.

We understand that an independent and no-aligned European diplomacy based on the defense of peace and human rights is necessary. We have to defend the peace and not the war. [More about this party, their responses & national members](#)

The EU has shown that it can be and it is a leading global player. But we can achieve much more to make our Union stronger and act as one voice. We believe in institutional reform to transform the Commission into a democratic executive, with one president at the helm of the EU's executive so the world finally knows when to call. We should use our power to build partnerships with like-minded countries to strengthen the EU's global influence in order to promote our values. [More about this party, their responses & national members](#)

EFA believes the EU can become a stronger and more independent actor on the world stage. We should work together with those countries that share our values, but acknowledge when our interests differ. That requires us to work better as a continent with a more powerful and united voice. We support a more towards qualified majority voting in foreign policy, so that the EU can be more decisive and self-sufficient - and so that it can promote peace and democracy worldwide. [More about this party, their responses & national members](#)

Security policy is at the centre of the EU agenda. We must rejuvenate multilateralism & values-based foreign policy. The EU must work closely with democracies & like-minded partners worldwide & create new ties for multilateral cooperation outside the Global North, working with all parties committed to peace, human rights & international law. The great transition has always been a question of security. More control over our energy system, crucial technologies & key supply chains, is crucial. [More about this party, their responses & national members](#)

The EU must be better equipped in securing its interests and values. We promote a stronger CSDF and "Made in Europe" 3030 strategy to reduce dependencies on the US and China. We believe in the rules-based multilateral order to reduce tensions and international conflicts. We put human rights and democracy at the core of external relations. We want an assessment of what EU architecture reforms are needed, with targeted Treaty changes, and move towards more majority decisions in certain matters. [More about this party, their responses & national members](#)

We must speak with one EU voice internationally. All the more so when it comes to violation of human rights, which we cannot tolerate, so we must take a firm stance against human rights violations in third countries. This also applies to migration issues, where EU rules need to be harmonised to enable the Union to speak with one voice. We also want to develop genuine EU military power and support Europe's strategic autonomy, while preserving the transatlantic relationship with NATO. [More about this party, their responses & national members](#)

Find out European political parties' positions on young people's priorities*

*All European political parties with at least 10 MEPs in the current EP were invited to share their responses. 6 out of 9 eligible parties replied by 3 May.

About EurHope

EurHope, the most ambitious campaign to engage young Europeans before the 2024 elections

Launched on May 9, 2023 at the European Parliament in Strasbourg, the EurHope initiative combines the transnational and volunteer activism of JEF with the innovative digital engagement tools of Make.org.

As the first phase of the campaign, a citizen consultation, accessible until September 2023 in all 27 Member States on the multilingual online platform eurhope.org. A single question, "What are your ideas for building together a Europe that can respond to future challenges ?", created an unprecedented dialogue on a European scale, and allowed to identify the priorities of young people ahead of the 2024 elections.

The Agenda of Hope, revealed in November 2023 in Madrid, will serve as a lever for the massive mobilisation of young people and the sharing of ideas with elected representatives and members of civil society.

The last phase of the initiative was dedicated to an offline and online campaign, to get young people to go vote. The new Eurhope.org platform will be unveiled on May 8, 2024, during the final EurHope event at the European Economic and Social Committee.



Make.org is a leading independent and non-partisan European civic tech advocating for democracy, amplifying citizen voices in transformative actions for a better tomorrow. Through massive online consultations, advocacy and projects at various levels, Make.org engages millions of citizens to drive change and positively transform society.

The Young European Federalists (JEF Europe) is a political youth NGO advocating for the creation of a democratic European federation as a guarantee for peace, the rule of law and human rights. JEF Europe promotes true European citizenship, works for the widening and deepening of the European Union and strives for a more just and integrated society on the European continent and beyond.



Frequently Asked Questions

How were the responses of European political parties obtained and verified?

To collect responses from European political parties, the initial step was to contact European political parties with over 10 MEPs in the current European Parliament. We shared the invitations to respond to all eligible parties, offering them the opportunity to contribute their reactions to the Agenda of Hope in a highly securitized way. The responses published on the platform represent those that were registered during this outreach effort.

Do the responses speak for the national parties?

The responses featured on Eurhope.org represent the positions of European political parties. While national parties are integral components of these European political parties, the responses provided are not attributed to them. Yet, for visibility for voters, we included the link to the European Parties homepage (incl. A list of their members) to the party responses.

How is eurhope.org different from the party manifestos?

Eurhope.org differs from party manifestos as it showcases the responses of political parties specifically tailored to the priorities identified by young people. While party manifestos may not inherently address these youth priorities, Eurhope ensures that parties' answers are aligned with the issues deemed most significant by young citizens. At the same time, the answers come first hand from the parties themselves.

How was the representativeness of the Agenda of Hope ensured?

We secured representative results by mirroring the composition of European Youth (age 15-34), based on Eurostat data (2022). The approach is based on four factors: age, education, gender, location. For more information regarding our methodology: [link super rapport](#)

How were the 15 priorities of the Agenda of Hope determined?

The 15 priorities of the Agenda are based on proposals which gathered over 65% of votes in favour. Employing qualitative clustering, we compiled these proposals into 15 priorities that accurately reflect the consensus of young citizens. For more information regarding our methodology: ([link super rapport](#))

How were the party responses translated into 22 languages?

We gathered them in English. Then automatic translation as indicated.

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