

EYE2021 facts and figures

Participation

EYE2021 took place on 8-9 October 2021 at the European Parliament in Strasbourg and online.

5000 young people from all over Europe and beyond took part physically in Strasbourg, with another 5000 people connected online through the dedicated online event platform.

Programme

EYE2021 featured 160 activities, taking place inside the European Parliament, outside in the EYE Village and online, accessible through a dedicated event platform.

Some overall figures:

- 27 MEPs speakers in the activities;
- 33 MEPs met with invited groups of young people;
- 60 speakers in total;
- 140 activity organisers out of which 55 were youth groups and youth organisations.

EYE2021 is co-created with youth organisations and youth groups. Out of the about 160 programme activities, 85 were organised by EP, its partners and other institutions, and 55 activities were programmed by youth organisations and young people participating in the event, which were selected through an open call. 1 activity was co-created by the Youth Outreach Unit and a youth organisation. Out of the 85 activities, 17 sessions are organised by the Youth Outreach Unit; 23 sessions by DGCOMM units; 7 by the European Commission; 3 by the Council; 1 by European Central Bank; 1 by European Economic and Social Committee; 1 by European Ombudsman. The remaining 32 activities were programmed by grantees and more specialised agencies.

The event featured also live concerts organised by Europavox and the Emerging Bands concerts in the EYE village powered by Jeunesse Musicale International.

Entr.net was the EYE media partner and participated in a parallel media event European Generation Media Lab with 42 young journalists.

EYE2021 featured for the first time a wide range of sport activities organised by French Olympic Committee.

Conference on the Future of Europe

EYE2021 was the culmination of the European Parliament's youth consultation process for the Conference on the Future of Europe.

Started in May 2021, in collaboration with pan-European youth organisations, more than 2000 ideas on the future of Europe were collected on the youthideas.eu platform.

Between 9 May, when the Conference citizens' consultations were launched, and 30 September, 2000 ideas were collected on the youthideas.eu platform, as the EP contribution to the Conference citizens' consultations. They were edited and put on the online youth ideas search platform, and in the first week of October, just before the EYE, 10 young editors selected 50 most popular and mentioned ideas for the ideation workshops at the EYE.

The workshops took place on Friday: in the morning on-site with 40 participants including young panellists invited to the EYE, and in the early afternoon an online workshop. As a result of these workshops, 20 ideas were selected, reworked and put up for a vote on Saturday from 10h to 16h by all EYE participants on-site (4822) and on the EYE2021 online platform (5000). 2000 votes were cast, and the top 5 ideas were presented by the workshop participants or EYE editors representing online workshop participants at the EYE closing session.

The 5 top voted ideas were 1) Make recycling easier across the EU, 2) The rule of law, 3) Federal Europe, 4) Unite in multilingualism, 5) Hold companies accountable.

The most popular 20 ideas from EYE2021 are now being consolidated into a report which will be presented to the EP delegation to the Conference on 13 October and at the next Conference plenary, taking place at the European Parliament in Strasbourg on 22-23 October 2021.

Sustainable event management

EYE2021 strived to promote equality, inclusiveness and sustainability with a strong commitment to accessibility for everyone. For this edition, the European Parliament obtained the **ISO20121 certification** for sustainable event management.