

IPA- EU SUPPORT TO THE COORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA'S NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY



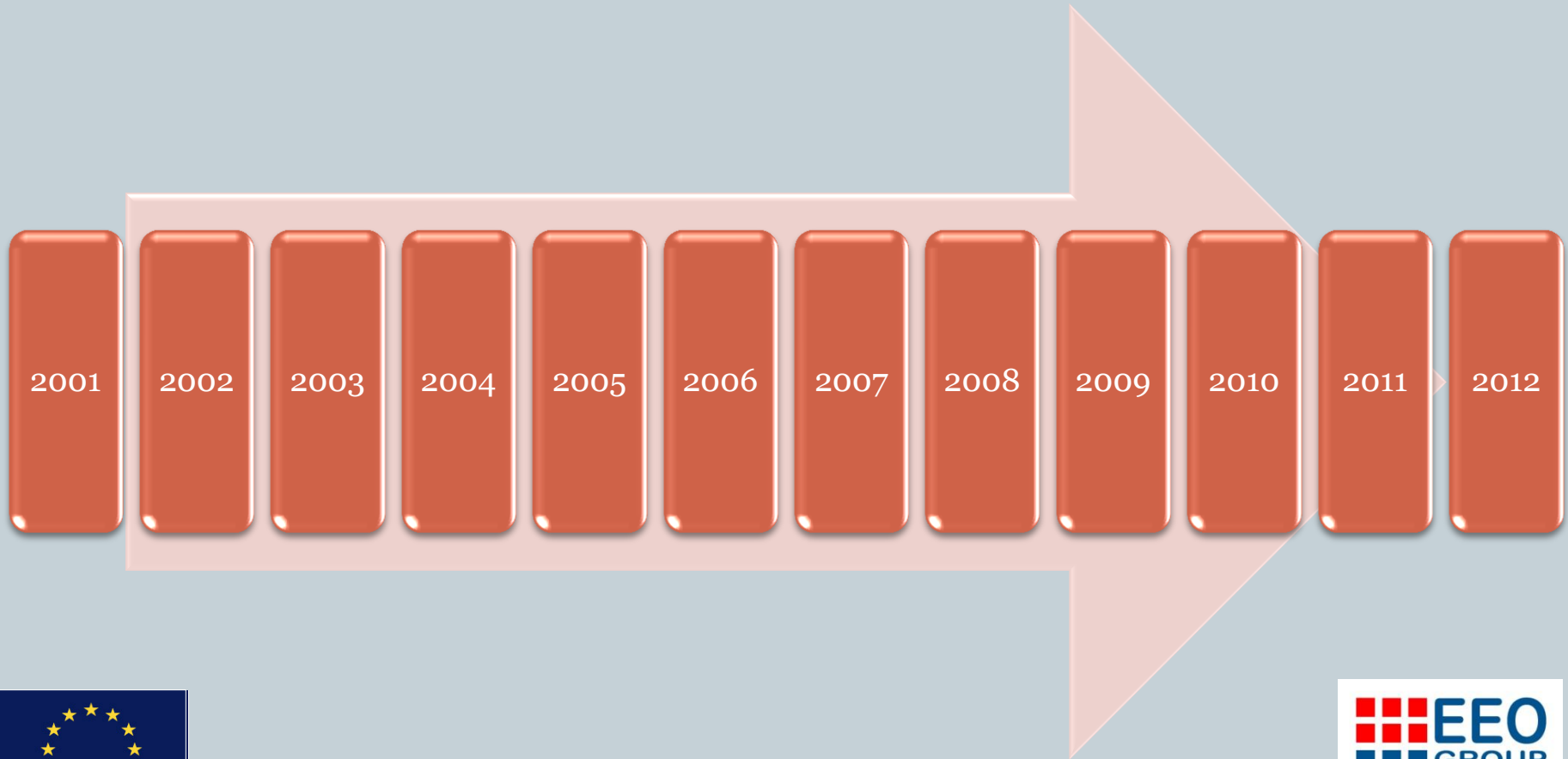
SEMINAR "EU YOUTH STRATEGY 2010-2018"

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HISTORY OF THE EU YOUTH POLICY



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2001

White Paper on Youth launched

Published in cooperation with:

Young people, Experts, national authorities and NGOs

A **declaration of intentions** in which the European Commission **commits** to a clear policy followed by **concrete actions**.

Key messages:

- Active Citizenship
- Expand the areas of experimentation (mobility, voluntary service and other)
- More autonomy
- More transparency



2002

The OPEN METHOD OF COOPERATION is adopted

A process of policy making that aims to spread good practices and achieve greater convergence towards EU goals.

(Soft law, no official sanctions, peer pressure, naming and shaming)

Priorities: (based on white paper)

Participation, Information, Voluntary Activities,

A greater Understanding and Knowledge of Youth



2003

Common **Objectives of Youth Policy** adopted by the European Council

- Access to information in all Member States
- Information quality (a series of networks will give information according to a certain quality standard)
- Participation



2004

European Youth Portal is launched!

based on the idea from the White Paper:

- To give all young people in Europe an easy access to information.

(available in 25 languages. Content is managed by Eurodesk networks)

<http://europa.eu/youth/>

The Member States recognize that this portal has enhanced inter-ministerial cooperation and exchanges in the field of youth information.



2005

European Youth Pact is added to the European strategies for employment and social inclusion as well as the „Education and Training 2010“

Measures & indicators:

- employment, integration and social advancement;
 - education, training and mobility;
 - reconciliation of family life and working life.
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- Active Citizenship (employment, youth work, entrepreneurship etc.)
 - Youth dimension in other policies (discrimination, sports, health, research)



2005

Youth WEEK 2005 – *Youth takes the floor*

- What is the future of Europe?
- What can Europe do for Europe and vice versa?

Youth Partnership (EC and CoE)

- Coherent strategy in the field of youth
- Better understanding and knowledge of youth

PLAN D - (Democracy, Dialogue, Debate)

- Encouraging dialogue and debate, listening to citizens' needs



2006

White Paper on Communication

- To improve public debate in Europe,
- Establishing a code of conduct on communication and launch a web-based citizens' forum



2007

Youth in Action starts (2007-2013)

1. Promoting active citizenship
2. Develop solidarity, tolerance and social cohesion
3. Enhance quality of support (youth work)
4. Promote European Cooperation

„**Structured dialogue**“ was born - the councils' communication „Promoting young people's full participation in education, employment and society“.

Ongoing dialogue organized for governments and administration, to discuss themes with young people



Structured Dialogue



- 18 months cycles (3 presidency countries)
- 3 EU Youth conferences



Results will shape part of a council resolution which is going to be adopted by all EU members.

2007



Future challenges of young people

Apr 2008:
Launching of
structured dialogue
cycle:
Future Challenges

Jan 2009:
Commission proposal for
a new framework of youth
policy cooperation

Winter 2009:
Establishment of a
new European
framework
for youth policy
cooperation

**Czech Youth
Event
June 09**

**Swedish Youth Event
Autumn 09**

**EYW 2008
Nov 08**

2008

Council recommendation on the **Mobility of young Volunteers across the EU**

All member states should:

- promote mobility;
- Improve knowledge of voluntary activities abroad;
- Make information on opportunities easily accessible;
- Make information available to all relevant actors.



2009

Lisbon Treaty

Article 165/2 invites the EU to encourage youth participation

„encouraging the development of youth exchanges and of exchanges of socioeducational instructors, and encouraging the participation of young people in democratic life in Europe”

Green Paper – on promoting the learning mobility of young people (debate on how to develop young people's knowledge and skills by spending time abroad)



2009

EU Youth Strategy 2010-2018

Council Resolution of 27 November 2009 on a renewed (2002) framework for European cooperation in the youth field (2010-2018) - Investing and Empowering

- Create more and equal opportunities (labour and education)
- Promote active citizenship, social inclusion and solidarity.



2010

Europe 2020 – EU to become a smart, sustainable and inclusive economy!

→ investing in education, knowledge and innovation and creativity for jobs and growth

(7 flagship initiatives to boost growth in the EU)

„Youth on the Move“

Help young people to gain skills, knowledge and experience to build their own future by using specific EU grants which enables them to study or train abroad.



2011

Council Resolution on **encouraging new and effective forms of youth participation** in democratic life

- E- participation
- Restructuring the European Youth Policy in line with young people's need for easy access to information

Proposal „Education Europe“ – **Erasmus for All 2014-2020**

Two key objectives:

- **individual mobility**
- **Modernising the education sector**

19 € billion +++ 2/3 only for Learning Mobility +++ 5 Mio beneficiaries



Key figures: Erasmus for All (2014-2020)



Overall budget

€19 billion (includes €1.8 billion for international cooperation)

Overall mobility opportunities

5 million people

Higher education

2.2 million students

Staff mobility

1 million teachers, trainers, youth workers and other staff

Vocational education and training

735 000 students

Volunteer and youth exchange schemes

540 000 young people

Master's degree loan guarantee scheme

330 000 students

International students

135 000 students

Joint degree grants

34 000 students

Cooperation targets:

Strategic Partnerships

More than 20 000 linking together
115 000 institutions

Knowledge Alliances

200 set up by 2000 higher education
institutions and businesses

Sectorial Skills Alliances

200 set up by 2000 education and training
providers and businesses

2011

2012



September 10th:

The first 3 years of **Youth Strategy** have been jointly assessed by the Commission and the Council

EU Youth Report 2012

Top priorities proposed for 2013-2015

- Employment
- Social inclusion (particularly those with fewer opportunities)
- Health and wellbeing



Thank you for your attention!

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