

# The Project

The youngsters are the future of our European societies and therefore of Europe.

**future** is a dialogue platform to promote integration of juvenile migrants. As a project it creates and establishes a regular dialogue platform with participants from politics, administration, trade unions, youth and migrant organizations, service and counseling institutions for migrants as well as migrants and non-migrants from Austria, France, Germany, Italy and Spain.

The dialogue platform is built by 30 permanent participants from 5 partner countries (international working group) as well as in each country with further 30-50 participants (extended national groups). It analyses and discusses the promoting and inhibiting factors of integration and participation of juvenile migrants for different aspects, to develop solutions, transfer and valorize good practice in the integration field. The platform advocates young people, develops integration models and new approaches to a better social cohesion, strengthens networks and sets up new networks at a European level.

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- a dialogue platform to promote integration of juvenile migrants

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There are several aspects that can determine the integration of juvenile migrants into their society as well as obstacles and barriers that causes directly or indirectly the exclusion of these youngsters.

**future** wants to identify and analyze the key aspects of these exclusion processes, overcome obstacles and promote integration and participation of juvenile migrants in Europe. Therefore all partners organize conferences on key aspects to establish a dialogue platform to promote integration and participation of juvenile migrants in our societies.

## Key aspects towards the integration of juvenile migrants

### *Legal and political integration of juvenile migrants*

The legal and political framework can include obstacles for a full integration of juvenile migrants.

**future** promotes a platform to discuss and share the experiences of European societies in particular towards the naturalization of juvenile migrants, their participation in politics, in civil society as well as measures to prevent the increasing political indoctrination of the young people by extremist, anti-democratic groups of nationalistic and apparent religious origin.

### *Socio-economic integration of juvenile migrants*

The socio-economic integration is a key aspect for an active participation of juvenile migrants. Aspects like employment, education, drop out rates, income level, social structures are challenges of each European society.

**future** promotes a deep going analysis of the barriers with which juvenile migrants are confronted as well as of the experiences of those working in this field are crucial to develop measures and recommendations to improve the access of migrant youngsters into our societies.

### *Attitudes of the recipient countries*

The phenomenon of immigration differs in our European societies. Each country has its own immigration history and therefore their experiences and perceptions towards this phenomenon are very different.

**future** promotes discussions about discrimination, perceptions of juvenile migrants by the recipient society, incidence and effects of diversity policies and the role of media - key aspects that influences the integration process of our migrant youngsters.

### *Cultural integration of juvenile migrants*

Culture is a phenomenon that is frequently discussed in our societies. But what does culture really mean? What are the aspects of cultural integration and who are the actors of such a process?

**future** promotes an analysis that covers aspects like identity/-ies, the social environment of youngsters, attitudes towards basic rules and norms of the host country, language skills, religious aspects, acculturation, assimilation, participation, gender aspects, exclusion and inclusion, discrimination, xenophobia and racism.

## Conferences

- Pisa (Italy), 29th November - 3rd December 2006
- Málaga (Spain), 14th March - 18th March 2007
- Roubaix/Lille (France), 27th June - 1st July 2007
- Innsbruck (Austria), 7th - 11th November 2007
- Berlin (Germany), 13th - 17th February 2008

## Youth Parliament

and an exhibition for juvenile participants

Berlin (Germany), 16th February 2008

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