



Empowering
young people

Connecting regional realities with European strategies: advancing youth employment and social inclusion

YES Forum Policy Event 2025

17 – 19 November 2025, Brussels (BE)

The **YES Forum 2025 Policy Event** will explore **how local realities and the voices of young people can meaningfully shape European strategies** for social and economic inclusion bringing together youth and social work professionals, disadvantaged young people, civil society and EU policymakers.

The event will offer space to reflect on how the **European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan** can deliver tangible change in young people's lives and highlight **promising approaches to supporting NEETs** and disadvantaged youth across diverse European regions, including rural areas, and Southeast, Central and Eastern Europe.

Join us to explore how grassroots practice and the experience of professionals can strengthen the implementation of European strategies designed to promote social and economic inclusion!

CONTACT DETAILS

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Agenda - Professionals

YES Forum 2025 Policy Event	
Monday, 17th November 2025 Venue: EVBB VET House, Bd. Charlemagne 28, B-1000, Brussels	
17:00 – 17:30	<i>Registration</i>
17:30 – 20:30	Meet & connect Interactive dinner & networking including project planning conversations
Tuesday, 18th November 2025 Venue: ACV/CSC, Rue Royale 45, 1000 Brussels	



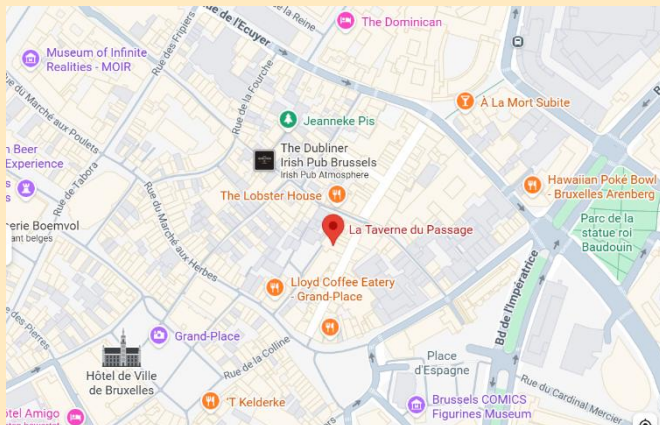
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09:00 – 09:30	Registration
10:00 – 12:30	EU level initiatives to enhance social rights for disadvantaged young people Panel discussion and open dialogue with: • Urszula Romanska, Deputy Head of Unit for D3: Poland, Czech Republic, and Slovakia, DG EMPL, European Commission • Massimiliano Mascherini, Head of the Social Policies unit at Eurofound • Csaba Borboly, Vice-President, Harghita County Council, Second Vice-Chair, SEDEC Commission, European Committee of the Regions • Caroline Lercher Tauber, Austria, Danube Youth Council
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	From policy to practice, the <u>Back On Track</u> case: delivering social inclusion for rural NEETs in the Danube region Presentation of regional cooperation's contribution to the implementation of the EPSR: • Ákos Horváth, Human Innovation Group Non-Profit (HICS), Hungary • Julia Probst, ÖJAB • Back on Track Youth Participants Presentation Roundtable discussions on strengthening support for NEETS and disadvantaged young people • Outreach & Strategy • Understanding the needs of NEETS • Developing a future mentorship programme • Increasing awareness of remote working opportunities • Training and upskilling NEETS
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 17:00	Looking ahead: YES Forum policy update and closure of Day 1

Joint dinner at “La Taverne Du Passage”

30 Galerie De La Reine, 1000 Brussels

18:30



Wednesday, 19th November 2025

Meetings with MEPs

For YES Forum members

Milja Henttonen, Specialist advisor,

on behalf of **Maria Ohisalo MEP**, the Greens/European Free Alliance (FI)

BADGE PICK UP TIME: 09:40

MEETING TIME: 10:00

MEETING LOCATION: Place de Luxembourg side, in front of Station Europe

Schubart	Christine
Minea	Laura
Engström	Åsa
Probst	Julia
Wolter	Thomas
Sinekli	Elif Sila
Pettinella	Lucy
Grebeldinger	Daniel

Estelle Ceulemans, MEP, Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (BE)

BADGE PICK UP TIME: 10:30

MEETING TIME: 11:00 – 11:30

LOCATION: Go to Rue Wiertz, 60 to pick up the badge minimum half hour before. Meeting held in European Parliament, room SPAAK 021057

Gomez Rivera	Julia Elizabeth
Falih	Shahad Alaa

EU up close:

Visit to the European Parliament

Parallel programme for Youth Participants, Youth Professionals and BoT stakeholders

Location: [Paul-Henri Spaak Building](#)
[Rue Wiertz / Wiertzstraat 60 B-1047 Brussels Belgium](#)

09:00

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12:00



Kovacs	Monika
Frank	Sebastian
Jurca	Alexandra
Trielli	Mirco
Woolley	Nicole
Coudray	Sterenn

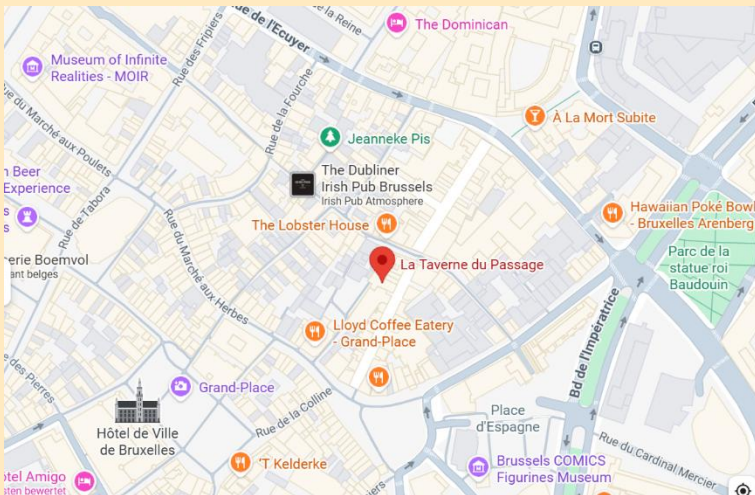
Marit Maij, MEP, Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (NL)

PICK UP: 12:25 at the Main Entrance of the EP
MEETING: 12:30 until 13:00

Mulder	Evelien
Kramsall	Cornelia
Dominici	Alexa
Marino	Adriana
Herkendell	Michael
van Schijndel	Pleun
Wiedermann	Annett
Birza	Gwen

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09:00 – 09:30	<i>Registration at the meeting point for YP (as communicated the day before)</i>
10:00 – 12:30	Visit to the “Parlamentarium” Venue: Pl. du Luxembourg 100, 1050 Bruxelles The Parlamentarium is the European Parliament's visitor center in Brussels, Belgium, which explains how the EU institutions and Parliament work through interactive, multimedia exhibitions.
12:30- 14:00	<i>Lunch</i> Venue: ACV/CSC, Rue Royale 45, 1000 Brussels

14:00-18:00	European Trivia Treasure Hunt Starting venue: ACV/CSC, Rue Royale 45, 1000 Brussels City/EU Quarter area The Parliamentarium is the European Parliament's visitor center in Brussels, Belgium, which explains how the EU institutions and Parliament work through interactive, multimedia exhibitions. Debriefing venue: ACV/CSC, Rue Royale 45, 1000 Brussels
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