

From Housing Insecurity to EU Scepticism.

Addressing key challenges facing young people and the EU today.

YES Forum Policy Event 2026 | 4 – 6 Nov 2026, Brussels (BE)

The YES Forum 2026 Policy Event will explore key topics facing young people and the EU today, offering members focused sessions to **meet policymakers, learn from member's experiences** and ensure that young people's and youth work professional's **perspectives on overcoming housing insecurity, countering EU scepticism and more are heard at the European level**. Our Policy Event will be organised alongside **Caritas Europa's 2026 Youth Forum**.

Join us in Brussels to make young people's voices heard and help shape solutions to challenges affecting young people today!

Participation conditions

- **YES Forum EEIG members:** Costs will be covered for 2 participants, including 2-night accommodation (4th & 5th November 2026) at the [MEININGER Hotel Bruxelles Gare du Midi](#), meals on site & up to 200€ for travel costs per organisation. Limited rooms available, once full, reimbursements apply. *No extra nights will be covered or arranged by YES Forum.*
- **YES Forum Associate members:** YES Forum will cover 1 night accommodation for 1 participant per organisation at the [MEININGER Hotel Bruxelles Gare du Midi](#), meals on site and reimburse up to 100€ travel costs per organisation. Limited rooms available, once full, reimbursements apply.
- **Non-member organisations:** 195€ participation fee (to be paid in advance), covering meals on site.

Registration is open!

Please register via [this link](#)
by 20 September 2026

Limited places!



Questions?

*For any further questions please
contact us at*

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Draft programme

Wednesday, 4 th November 2026		
Venue: Deutscher Caritasverband e.V. Rue de Pascale 4-6 1040 Brussels		
16:00	For early birds: Arriving, exploring, connecting: Brussels walk	
17:00 – 17:30	Registration	
17:30 – 20:30	Meet & connect Interactive dinner & networking Creative corner: My dream house – thinking creatively about housing	
Thursday, 5 th November 2026		
Venue: Mundo Madou Avenue des Arts 7/8 1210 Brussels		
09:00 – 09:30	Registration	
09:30 – 09:45	Welcome	
9:45 – 10:15	Linking EU Presidency and Youth Work – Experiences from Ireland Showcase by Finglas Youth Resource Centre	
10:15 – 10:45	Housing Insecurity: A brief introduction Exchange of experiences, statistics and preparing for MEP visits	
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 12:30	A place to call home – housing challenges and dreams of young people and the professionals supporting them. Policy Dialogue with MEPs.	
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 17:00	Policy Dialogues with EU Institutional Representatives - Countering EU Scepticism: EU Player - Current topics of youth & social work	Caritas Youth Forum: Discussions with MEPs and young people On mental health & housing
18:30	Dinner	
20:00	Optional: Try out the “Europe United” board game & meet peers from Young Caritas!	
Friday, 6 th November 2026		
Venue: Mundo Madou Avenue des Arts 7/8 1210 Brussels		
9:30 – 12:30	Project Planning, Policy Updates & more Details to follow.	Visit of the Parliamentarium (tbc)
12:30	Lunch	
14:00	Departure	