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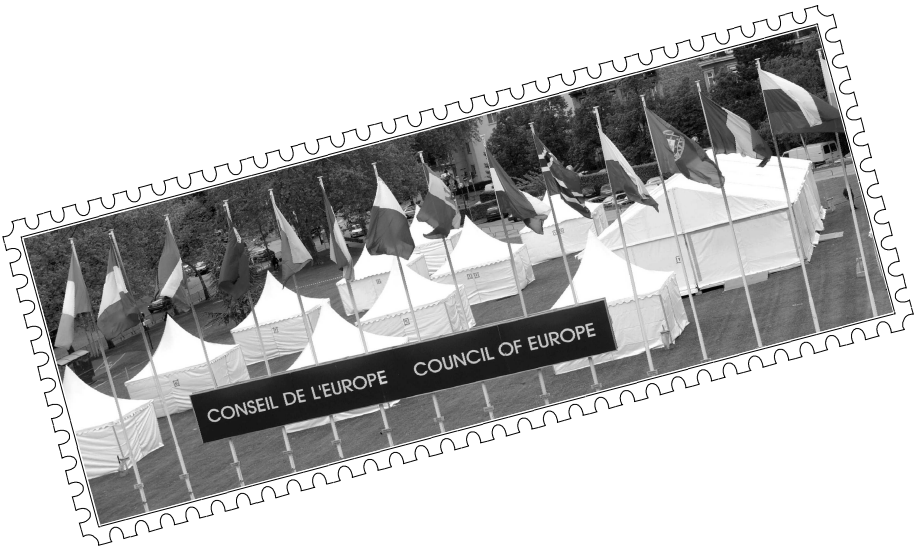


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Prefaces



Council of Europe

Do our democratic institutions function as best they can? How can we promote solidarity amongst citizens of all countries in Europe? These questions reach to the core of young people's engagement with societies. I am delighted that such issues will be discussed in an open and in-depth way at the Warsaw Youth Summit which brings together young people from so many different countries and backgrounds.

The agenda of the Youth Summit focuses on big issues of concern to European societies – racism and in-

tolerance, the future of Europe, the means to have young people's voice heard. You have rightly chosen the Council of Europe's Summit as a context to debate these issues: not only because the Summit is an important step along the road to greater European unity, but also because the Council of Europe has long been tuned to youth voices. I look forward to the Youth Summit's voice being heard at the Council of Europe Summit.

Terry Davis,
Secretary General

European Youth Forum

On 15-16 May 2005, the European Youth Summit will take place in the Polish Senate, organised by the Directorate of Youth and Sport of the Council of Europe, the Ministry of National Education and Sport of Poland and the European Youth Forum¹. The 90 participants, members of International Youth Organisations or networks and of National Youth Councils, come from 43 countries of the European Cultural Convention; this representativity constituting a fundamental element of this Event.

The second essential constituent of the Youth Summit lies in its content and expected outcomes, related to core elements of European construction: Democracy as a system and Human Rights as fundamental values:

"How to make Democracy work (should it be reborn or revitalized)? Do democratic systems ensure equality? Does security secure Democracy? Does European construction erase or create dividing lines between countries and people? How to effectively implement the principle "All Different All Equal"? What is the role of Human Rights Education in enforcing Human Rights? How to make solidarity work? What are youth responses to violence? ..."

These debates will be underpinned by two main issues: firstly, the

role of youth organisations, and the active citizenship of young people, in building a Europe based on those core values and principles; and secondly, the views of youth on the role of national institutions and of the European architecture in taking up these challenges.

On 16 May, I will have the great honour to address the Heads of States and Government to pass on the Youth Declaration and to call for their support to organise a European Youth Campaign in 2006, to enhance youth participation and to promote diversity, as fundamentals to build European societies based on respect, equality, and the added value of differences.

Renaldas Vaisbrodas,
President

¹The European Youth Forum is an international organisation established by national youth councils and international non-governmental youth organisations to represent the interests of young people from all over Europe. It is the youth platform in Europe representing youth organisations in international institutions - mainly the European Union, the Council of Europe and the United Nations. It serves to channel the flow of information and opinions between young people and decision-makers. The European Youth Forum has 93 members made up of national youth councils and international non-governmental youth organisations, which are federations in themselves, bringing together tens of millions of young people from all European countries.

Ministry of National Education and Sport, Poland

I welcome the proposal to hold the European Youth Summit in the framework of the Third Summit of Heads of State and Government very warmly. I am convinced that the Youth Summit will give young people a unique opportunity to participate in the decision-making process and in the construction of tomorrow's Europe around common values.

The Revised European Charter on the Participation of Young People in Local and Regional Life, which was adopted on 21 May 2003 by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, states that "participation and

active citizenship is about having the right, the means, the space and opportunity and where necessary the support to participate in and influence decisions and engage in actions and activities so as to contribute to building a better society".

I hope that this European Youth Summit will provide youth with necessary space and opportunity to make their voices heard in Europe.

Mirosław Sawicki,
*Minister of National Education
and Sport*

The Youth Department

The Youth Department co-ordinates the Youth Summit. The Youth Department exists within the structure of the Ministry of National Education and Sport. The Department is the particular centre of the open co-ordination method, established to execute the state youth policy. The Youth Department watches over co-operation with youth organisations, other central agencies and local government units, science centres and other institutions working in favour of youth.

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Introduction

Warsaw Youth Summit and Civil Society Events in the Youth Field

13 - 17 May 2005

The Third Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe to be held on 16/17 May in Warsaw is the outstanding event for the Council of Europe in this first decade of the Third Millennium.

Whatever heads of state and government are going to give as direction to the organisation, it will be of great importance to young people in those areas, where their lives are directly concerned by the Council's agenda: Human Rights, education, culture, social cohesion, social inclusion, participation and citizenship, democratic security, mobility and – last but not least – childhood and youth policies.

So it is a strong sign for the Council of Europe providing the ground for living democracy in working with young people through the co-management feature of the European Youth Centres and the European Youth Foundation that both the European Youth Forum and the Advi-

sory Council on Youth approached the Secretary General with the idea to hold a parallel Youth Summit.

There has been a precedent to this; the 1993 First Summit of Heads of States and Government had also been accompanied by youth events and accepted a two way exchange: youth representatives were allowed to address the summit and a delegation of the First Summit, headed by the Norwegian Prime Minister, came for an exchange of views to the youth event.

Undoubtedly inspired by this past experience, which had led to the Council of Europe's campaign against Racism, Anti-Semitism, Xenophobia and Intolerance, the Youth Summit in Warsaw aspires to submit a message to the summit proper and invites for an exchange with delegations before and during the summit.

One does not have to be a prophet to foresee that this message will concentrate on the intention of young people in Europe to run in 2006 a European campaign on: DIVERSITY, HUMAN RIGHTS, PARTICIPATION and to seek active support of the heads of state and government for this campaign.

The Youth Summit will be in session on Sunday, 15 May and Monday 16 May. The location is the Senate Chamber in the Sejm.

Both the Summit and the Youth Summit are highly formalised events and even if they arrive at a perfect interaction, they still are somewhat closed shops for delegates. However, the Council of Europe and the Polish authorities plan the summit to be accessible to the citizens in Warsaw and they have undertaken a number of efforts in this direction. There will be an impressive cultural programme and many outstanding events.

For the youth field, more particularly, the Council of Europe's Directorate for Youth and Sport in co-operation with the Ministry of Education created a programme of seminars, training courses and workshops which are related to the Summit and give young people the occasion to discuss "...what kind of Europe do we want to live in.?" These activities take place mainly in the Sejm, on Saturday, 14 May. There are other activities like the launching of the Polish version of COMPASS, the Council of Europe's youth fields manual on Human Rights Education, which will already take place on Friday, 13 May.

Not to forget: the Schumann Parade, the Civic Education Forum and the European Village on Sunday, 15 May.

All this is meant to allow for a citizen's feeling with regard to the summit: some, like in the youth summit, have a direct communication line, others, like in the Sejm on 14 May can discuss items of the spectrum of questions to be treated by the summit within the remit of the civil society, and others again may express their feeling and appreciation of an important European event in Warsaw by joining the Schumann Parade and taking part in discussions at the Civic Education Forum and the European Village.

This little programme brochure is meant to help you to find your way round the various events. What you find in here results from a social co-production between the Ministry of Education, the European Youth Forum, the Directorate for Youth and Sport of the Council of Europe, the Warsaw Information Centre of the Council of Europe and all those Warsaw based NGOs, agencies and foundations who volunteered to follow our call for citizens' participation in the Third Summit.

On the behalf of the Directorate of Youth and Sport and its partners,

Peter Lauritzen,
Head of the Youth Department

The Programme

“Youth, Future, Europe” Parliament of the Republic of Poland

On 14 May 2005 a number of seminars and debates will be organised for young people in the Parliament of the Republic of Poland with the common theme “Youth – Future – Europe”.

The Youth Department in the Ministry of National Education and Sport will co-ordinate this event. The seminars are being organised by the following organisations and institutions: Centre for Citizenship Education, Polish Forum of Young Diplomats, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Institute of Public Affairs, Polish-American Freedom Foundation and the National Agency of the Youth Programme with the co-operation of the Directorate of Youth and Sport of the Council of Europe.

The first seminar is planned at 12 o'clock. The other 5 debates will start at 2 pm. Please find below detailed descriptions of each of the debates. Additionally, a photo exhibition “MIXER” of works made by ex-volunteers will be organised in the

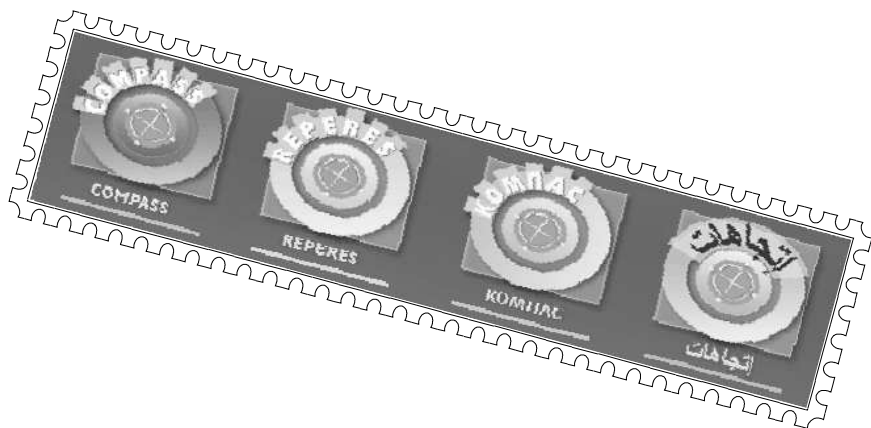
building of the Polish Senate.

Finally, a meeting will be held for all participants at 6 pm after the debates and seminars. Selected representatives from each panel will present their conclusions and share interesting opinions arising from the meetings.

The final conclusions will then be transmitted to the Polish delegates to the Youth Summit who will present them to their European colleagues during the plenary sessions. The event will close at 7:30 pm.

The Youth Summit itself is organised jointly by the Council of Europe, the Polish Ministry of National Education and Sport and the European Youth Forum, and will be held on Sunday 15 and Monday 16 May in Warsaw, alongside the Council's Summit of Heads of State and Government. A Declaration of the Youth Summit will be adopted on the morning of 16 May and passed on to the leaders of the Council's Summit by European Youth Forum President Renaldas Vaisbrodas.

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Official Launch of the Polish version of "Compass"

Time: 15:00 – 16:30

Place: National In-Service Teacher Training Centre, Al. Ujazdowskie 28

Working language: Polish partly with consecutive English interpretation

The official launch of the Polish translation of the Council of Europe's manual "Compass – a manual on human rights education with young people" is a seminar for about 60 participants, initiators and organisers of local programmes for young people, teachers supporting students in their projects and young leaders of local projects.

The presentation will be accompanied by the short workshop on how

to work with the manual.

The participants will use their own experience to draft recommendations on how to support young people's activities for their environment. The recommendations will be addressed to local governments, schools, organisers of local activities and adult supporters of youth activities. The main questions to be raised are: how

to create a friendly environment for young people's civic actions? How to support their activities?

What kind of institutional support is necessary? What can be done by adult supporters?

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Young People in Action

Time: 12:00 – 13:50

Place: Parliament, room 176

Working language: Polish

Seminar for 40 participants, initiators and organisers of local programmes for young people, teachers supporting students in their projects and young leaders of local projects. The participants will use their own experience to draft recommendations on how to support young people's activities for their environment. The recommendations will be addressed to local

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governments, schools, organisers of local activities and adult supporters of youth activities. The main questions to be raised are: how to create a friendly environment for young people's civic actions? How to support their activities? What kind of institutional support is necessary? What can be done by adult supporters?

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BUT why not the EU?

Time: 14:00 – 17:30

Place: Parliament, room 176

Working language: English

The aim of the seminar "BUT why not the EU" (BUT – Belarus, Ukraine, Turkey) is to gather together young representatives from Belarus, Ukraine, Turkey and Poland interested in European integration. The participants will discuss the main advantages and disadvantages of bringing their country into the European Union. The seminar will serve as a unique opportunity to get acquainted with the different perspectives of the EU's neighbours on the integration proc-

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ess, as well as these countries' expectations towards the European Union.

During the three-hour seminar the participants are expected to prepare a short presentation of the main obstacles for Belarus, Ukraine and Turkey to membership of the EU and possible solutions to overcome them.

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Europe and the USA – diverging concepts of transatlantic co-operation in Europe

Time: 14:00 – 17:30

Place: Parliament, room 182

Working language: English

Seminar on “Europe and the USA – diverging concepts of transatlantic co-operation in Europe”. Young politicians from various countries will present their views on the present and future shape of transatlantic relations. They

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Citizenship, YOUTH, Europe

Time: 14:00 – 17:30

Place: Parliament, room 195

Working language: English.

T-KITs (Training Kits) are the result of a partnership agreement between the Council of Europe and the European Commission. These belong to a series of publications relating to different practical aspects of youth work. The National Agency of the YOUTH Programme has adopted and published Polish editions of all of the available T-KITs. The latest one “Under Construction... Citizenship, Youth and Europe” is an attempt to change the generally negative atti-

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tude of youth towards politics and to motivate them to get involved in matters in their own country and in Europe as well. The debate on 14 May 2005 will relate to the strategies suggested in this T-Kit. It will also be an opportunity to confront practitioners’ views, opinions and experiences regarding youth participation in the civil society.

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The participation of youth in peaceful revolutions from August 1980 to December 2004

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Time: 14:00 – 17:30

Place: Parliament, room 217

Working languages:

English, Polish, Russian.

The character of the meeting will be in the form of a discussion panel entitled "The participation of youth in peaceful revolutions from August 1980 to December 2004". The purpose of the meeting, which will consist of two panel sessions and discussions, is to summarise the participation of young people from Central

and Eastern Europe in democratic movements during the past quarter of a century, as well as to look into the future and discuss the challenges faced by the young generation of our part of Europe in the coming 25 years.

During the second part of the panel there will be time for reflection about the future and on the participants' role in building a democratic and wealthy Europe of the 21st century.

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Europe and the USA – diverging concepts of transatlantic co-operation in Europe

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Time: 14:00 – 17:30

Place: Parliament, room 179

Working language: English

The debate will examine the future of democracy in Europe as perceived by the young generation. It will be entitled "Democracy in Europe: crisis or normality?". The discussion will be

based on the recommendations of the Council of Europe Green Paper on "The Future of Democracy in Europe: trends, analysis and reforms".

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9.00 WELCOME

Chair: Bettina Schwarzmayr – *Vice-President European Youth Forum (EFJ)*

Guests: Terry Davis, *Secretary General, Council of Europe*

Marek Belka – *Prime Minister of Poland*

Giovanni Di Stasi, *President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe*

9.30 ALL DIFFERENT – ALL EQUAL; YOUNG PEOPLE CHANGING ATTITUDES (plenary session)

Chair: Monika Novosadova – *Advisory Council on Youth, Council of Europe*

Guests: Michel Julien - *Representative of the NGO Liaison Committee*

Rapporteurs of the inter-religious youth group

11.00 Break

11.30 PLENARY INTRODUCTION TO WORKING GROUPS AND TO THE CAMPAIGN

Chair: Bettina Schwarzmayr – *Vice-President European Youth Forum*

12.00 WORKING GROUPS

Title	Chair	Room
SOLIDARITY: TO FEEL GOOD OR TO DO GOOD? <i>SOLIDARITY IN EUROPEAN AND NATIONAL SOCIETIES</i>	Nuno da Silva	195
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YOUTH ORGANISATIONS: <i>TAKING HUMAN RIGHTS A STEP FURTHER?</i>	Vladimir Davcev	217
YOUTH RESPONSES TO VIOLENCE	Hiroshima Mande	101

13.30 THE SCHUMAN PARADE

16.00 WORKING GROUPS (continuation)

17.30 REPORT - FEEDBACK FROM WORKING GROUPS (plenary)

18.30 End of Working Day

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9.00 ENDORSMENT OF THE YOUTH DECLARATION

Chair: Renaldas Vaisbrodas – *President of the European Youth Forum (EFJ)*

9.30 MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK (plenary session)

Chair: Miroslavas Monkevicius – *Advisory Council on Youth, Council of Europe (AC)*

Guests: Lech Walesa, *Nobel Peace Prize winner, first president of the Third Republic of Poland*

Lord Russell-Johnston, *Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Youth and Sport of the Parliamentary Assembly*

11.00 Break

11.30 WORKING GROUPS

Title	Chair	Room
DEMOCRACY REBORN	Mariana Turcan	195
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16.30 REPORT - FEEDBACK FROM WORKING GROUPS (plenary)

Chair: Bettina Schwarzmayr - *EFJ*

Rapporteur: Giuseppe Porcaro - *AC*

17.30 CLOSING REMARKS, INCLUDING FINAL REPORT (plenary)

Chair: Bettina Schwarzmayr - *EFJ*

Rapporteur: Giuseppe Porcaro - *AC*

18.30 CLOSING CEREMONY

Guest: Miroslaw Sawicki, *Minister of Education and Sport of Poland*
Gabriella BATTAINI-DRAGONI, *Director General of Education, Culture and Heritage, Youth and Sport*

20.00 CLOSING PARTY AT THE SKARPA (including dinner)

FAMA for the Youth Summit

FAMA is a "Festival of Youth Academic Artists" which is celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2005. In the evening of 16 May, the last day of the Youth Summit, the Polish Students' Association will organise an integration event during which animations and musical reminiscences of young FAMA artists will be presented.

The event will be held in the "Skarpa" Club where participants from the different seminars, conferences and happenings within the Summit framework will join the participants in the Youth Summit. Therefore, "Scarp" will become a meeting point

of Polish and European young people who will have a chance to get to know each other, talk and have fun together.

Time: 20.30 – 5.00 (provisional)

Place: "Skarpa" Club

Expected number of people: 600 people, including Polish and foreign participants from the Youth Summit and participants from the events surrounding the Summit, entry on invitation.

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Organiser: Polish Students' Association

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The **Council of Europe** is the continent's oldest political organisation, founded in 1949. The Council was set up to defend human rights, parliamentary democracy and the rule of law; to develop continent-wide agreements to standardise member countries' social and legal practices; and to promote awareness of a European identity based on shared values and cutting across different cultures.

The **Directorate of Youth and Sport** brings together young people, youth associations and networks, government agencies and experts in an ongoing consultation on policy objectives and practice in the youth field. It encourages the development of youth associations, networks and initiatives, and stimulates international co-operation in this field.



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