

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	[FUTUREU]
Participant:	[European Institute for Diplomacy and Policy]
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	[2]
Event name:	[Tomorrow's Europe, Your Europe]
Type:	[conference, workshop]
In situ/online:	<i>[in-situ]</i>
Location:	[Rotterdam], [Netherlands]
Date(s):	[July 18-21, 2023]
Website(s) (if any):	-
Participants	
Female:	26
Male:	26
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [The Netherlands]:	30
From country 2 [Spain]:	5
From country 3 [Romania]:	4
From country 4 [Greece]	1
From country 5 [Poland]	5
From country 6 [Hungary]	4
From country 7 [Malta]	3
Total number of participants:	52
From total number of countries:	7
Description	

*Provide a short description of the event and its activities.*

**Title of the event:** *TOMORROW'S EUROPE, YOU EUROPE*

**Description of the event:** The developed agenda and the whole organization of this event was targeting to Disseminate the values and rights of the Conference on the Future of Europe in civil society, improve the governance of municipalities by disseminating European values, examine and debate Euroscepticism from a closer approach, teach and bring closer the participation mechanisms of European politics, improve understanding of the decision-making processes of the European Union, encourage civil society and especially young people and promote new opportunities for social and intercultural engagement.

Participants had the chance to develop their awareness regarding the importance of these European values through debate, information and best practices sharing and dialogue with interactive and informative activities. An important point always had in mind was the enormous importance of their role in decision-making processes and their responsibility as European citizens in building a more inclusive Europe, both through exchanging views with other participants, such as through the discussions and debates

**Target groups involved in the activities:** young citizens, young people, volunteers, representatives of municipalities, representatives of Non-governmental organizations.

**Minutes of the event :**

**18th of July**

Participants arrived in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, settled in their hotels and they shared together a Greek traditional dinner.

**19th of July**

- The Chairman of the European Institute for Diplomacy and Policy, Christina Eirini Karvouna picked the participants up from their hotels and had welcome them to the location of the venue where the welcoming speech took place and the agenda was presented. An introductory video and useful information about Rotterdam, Rotterdam's history, Rotterdam's city participation in Volunteering activities, Volunteering groups and the leading role in the maritime sector especially in Volunteering (only to the Maritime Museum of Rotterdam – 160 volunteers are participating with offering their support of sharing touristic information and tours to tourists and visitors) have been shared with all.

- All participant introduced themselves for the purpose of getting to know each other and team-building

- All participants actively interacted with ice-breaking activities (a game which focus on getting to explore and understand fundamental terms of the Netherlands)

- Each partner briefly presented their organization, their aims and values, their actions, the local policies, the current situation of citizenship means for people in everyday life and youth participation and involvement – which was undoubtedly a great opportunity to understand how those values are actually implemented and taken into consideration in Spain, Romania, Poland, Hungary, Malta and in the Netherlands

- a presentation of Netwerk Nieuw Rotterdam (one of the biggest youth organizations in Rotterdam) followed by Ms Yukio Oosterling (representative of the Netwek Nieuw Rotterdam) who accepted the invitation of visiting our FUTUREU meeting and sharing valuable information and inside of the current situation in Rotterdam. Participants were interacting and had the chance to exchange opinions but also to address any question they had

- a MATRIX Map creation of Citizens means have created/ developed after exchange of opinions, best practices consideration, targets to be reached and brainstorming among participants

- Round table of Values and rights on the Future of Europe in civil society and a workshop of Role play (titled "Future of Europe") followed with the active and full of energy participation of all attendees

- a Debate "Tomorrow's Europe, Your Europe" (focusing on the upcoming European Elections followed with the participants separating to two groups, organizing and justifying the values of youth and the views of older (adults representatives of municipalities etc) – How important is for youth to participate active to European decision making and to European elections ? What youth are missing for being more active ? The most crucial response received among all was "INFORMATION – PROPER, REAL AND CLEAR INFORMATION"

- After the debate partner countries developed a plan for being able to come closer to young people, targeting to get them closer and supporting them of becoming an active part of our societies

- In the evening there was free time for cultural activities and of course a pleasant dinner took place as well

#### **20th of July**

- Coordination meeting have been scheduled and implemented focusing on the milestones which have been achieved till now and the milestones which the partnership needs to fulfil
- During a creative LAB we also created a video, with each participant describing the meaning of FUTUREU for them, by using only one word.
- Slogan for the project have been developed => "FUTUREU: motivation-participation-cooperation-progression"
- Evaluation of the meeting in Rotterdam, while strategic plans for the future steps in the project were elaborated
- In the evening there was free time for cultural activities and of course a pleasant dinner took place as well

#### **21st of July**

Departure of All Participants.

**Summary of the event** : Young participation and involvement is crucial and important for the further development of our Europe. Youth needs further information and support in order to feel part of every step Europe and each society is making. Communication and awareness as a bridge between the European Union and municipalities, from the local to the general.