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Youth, Europe, Democracy

**The EYY 2022
research legacy
in Greece**

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Greece, investing in its EYY 2022 legacy, conducted 4 surveys on the following themes:



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01 / Young people's perception of their identity within Europe

02 / Perceptions of democracy in school decision-making

03 / European Youth Policies at local level

04 / Mental health in the after COVID-19 era

01 / Title: "Young people and Europe: How young people perceive Europe and their identity within it – Sustainable Development Goals and young people"

Implementation Status:
Completed

Target Population: Young people in Greece, aged 18-29, registered in an online panel

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Sampling: Quotas for gender, area of residence and level of urbanisation

Fieldwork: 4-20 October 2022

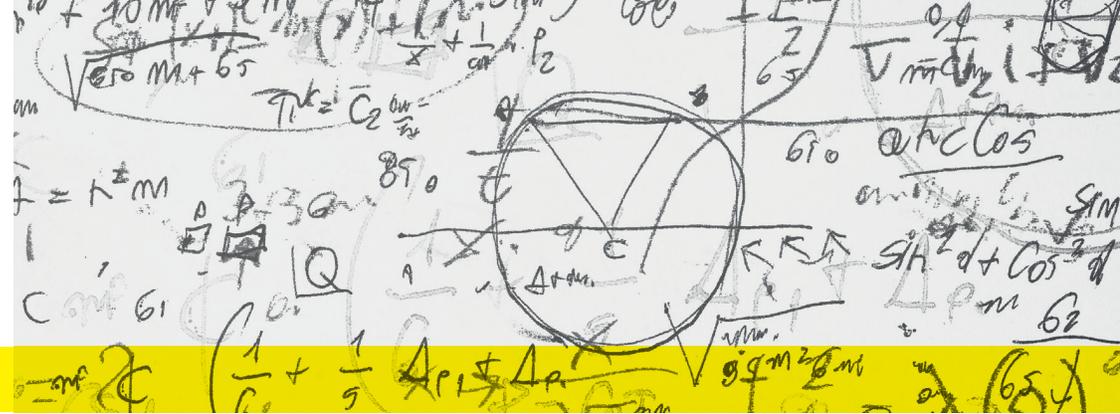
Implementing Agency:
The General Secretariat for Vocational Education, Training, Lifelong Learning and Youth of the Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs in collaboration with the Institute of Political Research of the National Centre for Social Research

Sample size: 747 individuals

Short description: The survey explores various aspects of young people's identity in contemporary Europe and the EU, namely how young people determine their identity in a dual referential framework that includes not only the European dimension of their identity, but also its national dimension through participation in the European Union. In addition, the research focuses on the green and digital transitions. These are two interrelated issues that have emerged in the European Union's policy goals and priorities, and which relate to the digital future in combination with actions for the implementation of the European Green Deal. These two issues are chosen because of their critical importance for the future of young people in Europe, which is why they are high on the European Union's agenda. Data collection was conducted by a structured online questionnaire.

02/

Title: "Perceptions of democracy in school decision-making"



Implementation Status:
Completed

Fieldwork:
21 November 2022 – 20 January 2023

Target Population: Upper secondary school students in Greece, aged 16-18, registered in an online panel

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

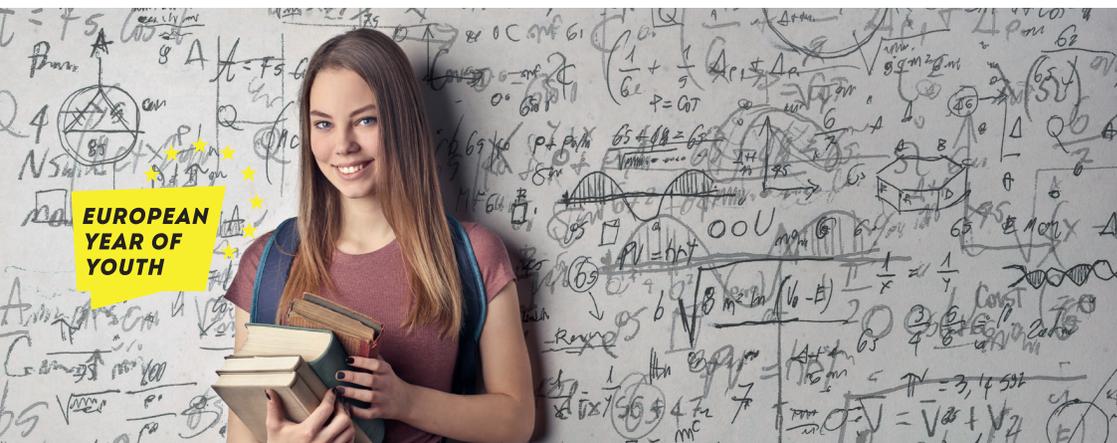
Sampling: 5 school units that are a representative sample of the geographical distribution of all 299 schools approved to participate by the Institute of Educational Policy

Implementing Agency:
The General Secretariat for Vocational Education, Training, Lifelong Learning and Youth of the Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs in collaboration with the Institute of Political Research of the National Centre for Social Research

Sample size: 4.818 students

Short description: The purpose of the survey is to capture and investigate the attitudes of the students' perspectives on the institution of Student Councils, as well as other forms of participation in decision making that determine school life. Greece's upper secondary school students constitute the youth of the European Union and are one step closer to obtaining the right to vote at the age of 17. In this project we focus on the decision-making processes that operate in the school environment and study the possibilities available through the functioning of the school, as well as the individual intention of students to participate. On the one hand, we seek to capture the democratic processes within school life through institutionalised actions such as the Student Councils. On the other hand, we attempt to outline students' basic intentions and individual motivations for participation in both institutionalised actions and other collective activities that define school culture. The existence of established democratic procedures (such as the 15-member and 5-member Student Councils) in the school is a necessary but not a sufficient condition for the development of students' democratic awareness. Students' intention to participate in school life is studied in combination with other factors in order to determine how these factors contribute to their intention to participate in school life. Data collection is conducted by a structured online questionnaire.

By measuring the assessment of democratic institutions in Greek high schools in combination with the factors that motivate students to participate in school life, we seek to shed light on the school conditions that contribute to the formation of active democratic citizens. Ultimately, the project can contribute to knowledge about the processes of political socialisation of young people and highlight focal points for the development of educational policy aimed at raising young citizens who embrace democracy and act to sustain it.



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03/

Title: "Good Practices of Municipalities implementing European Policies for young people living in their area"

Implementation Status:
Completed

Target Population:
The 332 Municipalities of Greece

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Sampling: Online questionnaire

Fieldwork: 13 May - 30 August 2022

Implementing Agency:
The General Secretariat for Vocational Education, Training, Lifelong Learning and Youth of the Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs in collaboration with the Hellenic Agency for Local Development and Local Government (EETAA) and in cooperation with the Central Union of Municipalities of Greece (KEDE).

Sample size: 96 Municipalities of Greece

Short description: This joint initiative attempts to map the good practices of the Municipalities of the country, which proves the alignment of the Greek Local Authorities with the European Policies for the support of youth at a local level.

It is also a reference for the implementation of public policies for youth at a local level by the Municipalities, which are the responsible institutional bodies for the administration of local affairs, as well as the main experts concerning both the profile of young people living in their area and the specific characteristics of the Municipality.

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04/

Title: "Mental health in the after COVID-19 era"

Implementation Status:
Completed

Target Population: All adolescents and young people in Greece, aged 12-29, through the UNICEF-led platform U-Report that aims to empower young people to express their opinions, be active citizens and positive agents of change in their communities. Currently there are 1.366 young people/ adolescents registered as U-Reporters

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Sampling: Anonymous poll, free of charge, accessible by sending the message **YOUTH** to **U-Report Greece** via Facebook Messenger, Viber or WhatsApp

Fieldwork:
8 December 2022 – 9 January 2023

Implementing Agency:
The General Secretariat for Vocational Education, Training, Lifelong Learning and Youth of the Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs in collaboration with UNICEF Greece Country Office

Sample size: 385 U-Reporters

Short description: Economic and climate crisis, war, pandemic. A seemingly inexhaustible source of stress, frustration, and trauma, this multifaceted crisis leaves its mark on the youth, testing their resilience and endurance. In the framework of the European Year of Youth 2022, the General Secretariat for Vocational Education, Training, Lifelong Learning and Youth in collaboration with UNICEF Greece Country Office have jointly launched a poll through the U-Report platform, which is used by more than 26 million adolescents and young people in 92 countries worldwide. The poll aims to focus on the feelings these global crises cause in young people and to explore their desire and power to 'calm' their fears and anxieties while giving useful information about the mental health services available in Greece.