

# Invitation

## THE EUROPEAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

16<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> April 2018

With the beginning of 2018 Bulgaria took over the Presidency of the Council of the European Union and one of the overall priorities during these six months is the Future of Young People in Europe.

In the spirit of increasing solidarity, cohesion, partnership and in order to ensure equity in Europe, the Presidency highlighted the importance of the future youth policy in Europe. In that context, the Presidency considers as a priority the finalization of the European Solidarity Corps.



In addition, together with the Trio Presidencies, we highlight the importance of developing a sustainable European Youth Strategy taking forward the impact of the currently Renewed Framework in the field of Youth.

In that sense, the Bulgarian Presidency is pleased to invite you to take part in the EU Youth Conference from 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of April in Sofia, Bulgaria.

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The Conference will be one of the key events as part of the 6<sup>th</sup> cycle of the Structured Dialogue that will continue until the end of 18-month Trio Presidency Estonia, Bulgaria and Austria titled “Youth in Europe: what’s next?”

As the Bulgarian youth like to say: “Well, we are next!”

And we are looking forward to welcome you in Sofia.



A lot of exciting work is ahead of us as we are going to work together during the Conference, aiming to develop the so called European Youth Goals that will be direct recommendation for the next European Youth Strategy.

The Bulgarian Presidency invites you to convene your delegation for both the EU Youth Conference. These should be consisted of 3 Youth Delegates and 2 representatives of the institution responsible for the implementation of the youth policy.

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Please note that the youth delegates will have their responsibility to arrange and cover their own travel costs, however, they will be reimbursed up to 500 euros for economy class plane tickets and other transports per Youth Delegate.

As for the accommodation for the Youth Delegates, please note that the Presidency team will be fully responsible for the arrangements.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [youth.policy@mpes.government.bg](mailto:youth.policy@mpes.government.bg)

More practical information concerning the accreditation system and the Conference will be send soon.

We are looking forward to welcome you in Sofia.

**United We Stay Strong!**

Yours Sincerely,

The Bulgarian EU Presidency team for Youth