



STRATEGIC PLAN 2018-20

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The European project is currently undergoing one of its most critical tests. Millions of young people are still paying a high price for the financial crisis. Thousands are risking their lives and dying in the Mediterranean. Climate change will soon not be reversible and will threaten all generations to come.

We, Young Greens, do not take this harsh reality lightly, and we refuse to be bystanders.

We believe that Europe is where these problems can be solved. International solidarity and collaboration is a necessity and a reality for young people; we grew up with it. However, we see that we will need to fight for the better future that was promised to every generation. As young people we need to negotiate a better social contract. We need to demand a society where freedom of movement is a reality, where citizens can effectively take part in shaping decisions that affect them and where sharing our resources is the main tool for the emancipation of everyone. On top of that, we need to demand a global leadership that will make sure that one of the biggest shifts in society has to happen in the near future: The shift to a zero-carbon society.

Our network of committed young people across Europe will work together with partners, policy-makers and activists to actively come up and advocate for the solutions necessary for a bright future for all. We see an important role to play for the Federation of Young European Greens towards this effort:

1. Strengthen Young Green organizations everywhere in Europe, to increase our size and impact in society.
2. Come up and promote solutions for the issues that our and future generations are facing.
3. Consolidate FYEG's educational work, improve our organisational structures and strengthen our partnerships.

STRENGTHEN YOUNG GREEN ORGANISATIONS EVERYWHERE IN EUROPE

To increase our size and impact in society

FYEG represents 50 000 young Europeans. Our Member Organisations, big and small, play an important role in society, going beyond regular activism and politics to political activism. We understand the importance of linking the movements in the streets to the institutions, but also don't hesitate to question both once in a while. We all stand for progressive, outward looking, sustainable policies and cooperate with organizations that work on the same topics.

To increase our impact, we want to continue sharing best practices in our MOs and FYEG. How to recruit and manage an MO's membership, how to organise engaging activities, how to be a radical think tank.

In the next years we will focus on the following:

- Inter-organisational learning. Through an online platform and space during our statutory meetings, we will increase the sharing of best practices, manuals and resources of our MOs and FYEG.
- Organising activities specifically targeting staff and human resources responsables in our Member Organisations.
- Address discrimination within our own structures and develop practices that enhance inclusion and foster diversity.
- Maintain a close relationship with CDNEE
- Encourage members of MOs that haven't been present in FYEG's ECs to candidate

COME UP WITH AND PROMOTE SOLUTIONS FOR THE ISSUES THAT OUR AND FUTURE GENERATIONS ARE FACING

FYEG organizes events where we analyse what is going on in Europe socially and politically and how young people are affected by these developments. Our Member Organisations on the ground do the same for their societies and make the link towards Europe. Similar discussions are carried out in a structured manner in our Working Groups which function as FYEG's think tanks on specific topics. But they also emerge spontaneously on the different communications platforms we use for sharing and community building on a daily basis. They are important because they enable us to further sharpen the ideology of our political movement. Embracing the diversity and bringing everything together into one story of a better Europe is what binds us and makes us a strong movement. Through these activities, we can make sure that young people of different backgrounds have their voices heard, learn about best practices from peers and imagine pan-European solutions to issues affecting our daily lives.

In the next years, we will focus on the following:

- Fostering our Working Groups and empowering them to come up with radical ideas for Europe and to test them within our Member Organisations.
- Organise education activities with clear radical political ideas as an outcome.
- Facilitate more topical discussions on the policies and tools we need for a better Europe, together with Member Organisations.
- Promote our solutions online, through social media and give an important role to the Ecosprinter for this.
- Continue lobbying MEPs and other relevant political actors to fight for Young Green solutions

CONSOLIDATE FYEG'S EDUCATIONAL WORK, IMPROVE OUR ORGANISATION'S STRUCTURES AND STRENGTHEN OUR PARTNERSHIPS

Through our increase in office capacity and years of experience we have raised our standards for our educational events to a high quality. We strongly believe in non-formal education and want to strengthen our efforts here. To engage as many young people as possible we will diversify our educational activities and look for ways how to reach out beyond the limited number of participants at each event.

At the same time, we don't want to stand still as an organization but continue improving. Therefore we want to have a clear re-evaluation of our bodies and structures after the European Parliament elections.

In the next years, we will focus on the following:

- Improve our non-formal education practices by setting up a Pool of Trainers together with CDNEE.
- Ensure that our educational activities empower new leaders, making every participant an actor for change who can share what they have learned and empower others to share this as well.
- Look critically at the way FYEG functions and redefine our structures when there is a need - in particular after the European elections.
- Strengthen our bonds with our Green partners and European youth organisations with the aim of mainstreaming our political priorities as much as possible.
- Engage actively in the European climate movement and other social movements, including in actions of civil disobedience.
- Develop a framework to assess the achievements of and learning points for FYEG during each year, thus making impact measurement and annual comparison possible. Results indicators can be quantitative, qualitative, or both and can include, but are not limited to, data and info on participants, news appearance, support provided to MOs, political agenda-setting, engagement with external organisations, and external people reached. This is documented in the annual activity report and should include good practices and learning points for the new EC. This framework will be put in place at the latest by the GA of 2020. We however already start the process of defining this future framework before the elections.