



Youth Workshop – Imagining the Future of the Local Community

Type of event: 1.5-hour interactive workshop

Target group: Young people interested in shaping the future of their local community

Short description of the workshop:

Participatory workshop invites young people to share their perspectives on key issues such as health, education, employment, sports, mobility, housing, and youth spaces. Through creative activities and collaborative vision-building, participants identify what is missing in their community and co-create a shared vision for a better future. The process encourages active citizenship, creative thinking, and dialogue between youth and decision-makers.

Framework (structure)

Before the workshop (online)

- **Pre-event invitation:** Clear communication about the purpose of the workshop and how participants' voices will be used in planning future youth strategies.
- **Short survey (Google Form):** Gather initial ideas and priority topics from participants.

During the workshop (in-person)

1. Introduction (10 min)

- Welcome participants, present the purpose of the workshop, and explain the process.

2. Icebreaker (10 min)

- Fun activities such as the Gordian knot, sociograms, or "letter passing" games (e.g., "I have a letter for everyone with ...") to create a friendly and open atmosphere.



3. Creative data collection (60 min)

- LEGO® building or clay sculpture challenge – rapid creation of bridges or symbolic objects.
- Individual models – each participant creates a model of something missing in the community, writes it on a post-it.
- Group models – combine individual models into a collective vision of the community's future.
- Present and categorise ideas together.
- Closing (10 min)
 - Thank participants for their contributions, invite them to complete an evaluation survey (QR code provided).

After the workshop (online)

- Digital summary: Share visual documentation and a summary of ideas with all participants.
- Feedback loop: Update participants on how their contributions are used in local planning.

