Call for youth activity organisers

EYE2027

1. INTRODUCTION: WHAT IS EYE2027?

The EYE (European Youth Event) brings together **thousands of young people** from across the European Union and beyond, right at the heart of European democracy, to **discuss Europe's present and future**. Taking place every two years at the **European Parliament** in Strasbourg, the EYE is **a unique opportunity** for 16- to 30-year-olds to **engage** directly with Members of the European Parliament, to **exchange views** with decision-makers, experts and other young people, to **inspire and get inspired**.

EYE2027, the seventh edition of this event, will take place on **18 and 19 June 2027**, offering plenty of interactive activities, including debates, workshops, visits, artistic performances – both inside the **European Parliament** and in the **EYE Village**.

The EYE programme will **centre around what Parliament does and what it stands for**, creating opportunities for participants to discuss legislative priorities with Members and explore how their ideas can contribute to European policymaking.

Co-created with European and international institutions, youth organisations and participants themselves, the programme will be structured around **four key themes**: quality of life, competitiveness, security and EU values.

2. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE: WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

The European Parliament is looking for Youth Activity Organisers to contribute to the official programme of EYE2027 by designing and delivering interactive workshops or small-scale artistic performances during the event inside the European Parliament premises in Strasbourg on 18 and 19 June 2027. A separate call for established youth organisations to organise activities in the EYE Village will be launched at a later stage.

Activities should contribute to the objectives of EYE2027 by creating meaningful opportunities for young people to exchange ideas, engage with European democracy,

develop new skills, explore different perspectives and inspire one another through active participation.

The call is open to proposals for a broad range of formats, provided that they actively involve participants and support them in exploring issues and perspectives related to at least one of the **four key EYE2027 themes mentioned in section 1:**

- **Quality of life –** activities focusing on social rights and living conditions
- **Competitiveness –** activities around jobs, prosperity and economic growth
- **Security –** activities focusing on security, safety and defence
- **EU values –** activities centred around democratic values

Activities must be delivered in **English,** as we cannot guarantee interpretation in other languages, and must have a minimum duration of **30 minutes** and a maximum duration of **90 minutes**. Selected activities will take place on both event days of EYE2027, therefore **organisers must be available to deliver their activities twice, once on each day of the event**.

3. FUNDING AND SUPPORT: HOW EYE2027 WILL SUPPORT YOU?

- **Financial contribution**

The members of the groups of Youth Activity Organisers selected to be part of the EYE2027 programme may receive a financial contribution from the European Parliament to partially cover travel, accommodation and subsistence costs related to their participation in the event. The financial contribution is provided as a lump sum. The amount of the lump sum is determined based on the distance between the group's member place of residence and Strasbourg, as follows:

  - **Less than 500 km from Strasbourg:** EUR 400 lump sum;
  - **500 km to 1 000 km from Strasbourg:** EUR 500 lump sum;
  - **More than 1 000 km from Strasbourg:** EUR 550 lump sum.

The lump sum is a fixed contribution and is not intended to cover the full costs incurred by participants. Any costs exceeding the amount of the lump sum remain

the responsibility of the participant. Once selected, group members remain responsible for booking and paying their own travel and accommodation. Group members whose place of residence is within a 50km radius of the European Parliament premises in Strasbourg do not qualify for funding, but can still propose an activity. The lump sum may be reimbursed to eligible group members within 10 working days following the event, subject to confirmation of their attendance at the event.

- **Technical and Logistical support**
    - Selected Youth Activity Organisers will obtain access to the European Parliament premises and facilities used during the event (18–19 June 2027).
    - The European Parliament will provide the rooms or relevant spaces for selected groups to organise their activities.
        - For interactive workshops, rooms will be equipped with a computer, projector/screen, tables and chairs, power supply, microphones, stationary (flipcharts, post-its, paper and pens), based on availability and needs.
        - For artistic performances, a stage area will be available, with a computer, sound system with microphones (up to 3), a few tables and chairs, and power supply, based on availability and needs.

Specific arrangements will be communicated to selected Youth Activity Organisers prior to the event. The nature and extent of the support provided by the European Parliament will be determined in accordance with the operational needs and available resources. The European Parliament will not provide resources for interpretation.

- **Visibility**

All selected activities will be published in the official EYE2027 programme and will be attended by people from all over Europe and beyond!

Financial, technical and logistical supports are subject to compliance with the eligibility

requirements included in this call and the applicable Terms and Conditions.
Submission of an application does not create any obligation to select, participate or receive financial support.

4. INDICATIVE TIMELINE

Opening of the call for Youth Activity Organisers	**25 September 2026**
Deadline for submission of applications	**16 October 2026 at 23:59 CET**
Evaluation phase	**Until 6 November 2026**
Communication of evaluation results	**Mid November 2026**
Registration on the EYE registration platform	**December 2026**
Preparations for EYE2027	**December 2026 – June 2027**
EYE2027	**18-19 June 2027**

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ADMISSIBILITY

To be eligible, applicants and their proposed activities must comply with the requirements set out below. The European Parliament reserves the right to verify compliance at any stage of the procedure.

Eligible group

The group must:

- Consist of a minimum of 8 members and a maximum of 10 members;
- Include at least 2 facilitators for interactive workshops or at least 2 performers for small-scale artistic performances;
- Designate a Head of group and a Vice Head of group;

Eligible participants

Members of selected groups must be:

- Between 16–30 years old by the date of the event (18 June 2027), with the exception of the Head and Vice Head of group, who can be older than 30 but must be at least 18 years old by the date of the event.
- Resident of a Member State of the European Union, a candidate country (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Türkiye, Ukraine) or the UK.
- Actively engaged in the group's participation in the event.

Eligible activities

The EYE programme focuses on interactivity. Activities should be designed to encourage active participation and interaction among young people. Participants should have meaningful opportunities to engage with, discuss, apply and contribute to the content of the activity, rather than relying solely on one-way presentations or being passive spectators.

- **Interactive workshops**

  Examples include:
  - Simulation games and role-playing activities;
  - Interactive debates and discussions;
  - Skills-building workshops;
  - Participatory games and game-based challenges;
  - Other innovative and interactive workshop formats.

- **Small-scale artistic performances**

  Performances should combine an artistic or creative element with meaningful interaction with the audience. Examples include:
  - Participatory performance art;
  - Immersive theatre;
  - Music performances;
  - Dance performances and flash mobs;
  - Poetry slam;
  - Sing-along choir workshops.

The lists above are not exhaustive. Applicants are encouraged to propose innovative formats, provided that they contribute to the objectives of EYE2027 and are compatible with its practical framework.

Ineligible activities

The following types of activities are not eligible under this call:

- activities for which the purpose is commercial promotion, advertising or fundraising;
- lobbying activities or activities promoting the interests of a specific commercial or political organisation;
- activities promoting political parties, political candidates or electoral campaigns;
- activities containing discriminatory, hateful or unlawful content;
- activities incompatible with the values of the European Parliament or the objectives of EYE2027;
- activities requiring technical or logistical arrangements that cannot reasonably be accommodated within the framework of EYE2027. The technical and logistical support available is described in Section 3.

Overall, any external speakers or facilitators invited by the selected groups must be arranged by the organisers. **Their travel and accommodation costs will not be covered by the European Parliament, and online speakers cannot be accommodated.**

Admissibility requirements

Proposals must be submitted electronically via the EU Survey platform before the call deadline (see indicative timeline in section 4). Applications submitted by email or in paper format will not be accepted.

Applications must be complete and contain all **mandatory information** requested in the application form.

Each group may submit only one application. If a group submits more than one application, only the most recent application submitted before the call deadline will be taken into consideration for the evaluation.

Selection and participation

A maximum of 40 Youth Activity Organiser groups will be selected through this call. A maximum of 10 additional groups will be placed on a reserve list, in case some of the originally selected groups cancel their participation. The reserve list will remain valid until February 2027.

Members of the selected groups shall be required to complete the individual registration procedure established by the European Parliament on the EYE registration platform within the applicable deadline set out in section 4.

6. ROLE OF THE HEAD AND VICE-HEAD OF GROUP DURING THE PROCESS

In accordance with section 5 above, each group applying to this call shall designate a Head of group and a Vice-Head of group.

The Head of group shall act as the designated representative and principal contact person of the group for the purpose of this call, the application procedure and the organisation of participation in the EYE2027.

The designation of the Head of group does not confer authority to receive financial support on behalf of the group or on behalf of group members. The Head of group is not financially liable for other participants.

The Head of group must:

- Ensure the accuracy of the information submitted
- Comply with the conditions of participation and eligibility requirements
- Act as single contact point with the European Parliament during the selection process and implementation of the activity
- Designate a Vice-Head of group, who may be contacted by the European Parliament if the Head of group is no longer available
- Include basic contact details of the group members on the EYE registration platform, if selected

7. EVALUATION AND AWARD PROCEDURE

The proposals will be assessed by an evaluation committee. Proposals will first be checked for formal requirements including admissibility and eligibility in accordance with section 5.

Proposals found admissible and eligible will be evaluated against the award criteria and then ranked according to their scores.

The award criteria are as follows:

Award criterion	What will be assessed	Maximum score
(a) Thematic fit	Applicants must select one primary EYE2027 theme (**Quality of Life, Competitiveness, Security or EU Values)** in their application. Does the activity clearly contribute to one of the four EYE2027 themes and address it from a European (not solely national) perspective?	**5**
(b) Activity design and participant engagement	Is the chosen format appropriate to achieve its objectives? Is the activity well structured? Does the design enable meaningful participant engagement and/or create opportunities for participants to exchange diverse perspectives?	**5**
(c) Previous experience in organising youth activities or performances	Does the applicant demonstrate any previous experience in organising and delivering activities for young people or artistic performances? Do they provide evidence through links and/or supporting documents? The purpose of this question is to understand your background and experience; previous experience will not be assessed based on the number of participants reached	**5**
(d) Communication and promotion strategy	The originality and quality of the proposed communication activities to promote EYE2027 before, during and after the event.	**2**
(e) Involvement of a Member of the European Parliament (MEP) *(not applicable to artistic performances)*	The proposed role of the MEP, the added value of their involvement and the feasibility of the proposed collaboration.	**3**

Total maximum score: **20 points**

The result of the selection process will be communicated within the applicable deadline referred to in section 4.

The European Parliament reserves the right to modify, suspend or cancel the event or any of the arrangements, schedules, plans or other items directly or indirectly related to the event and the organised activity, without prior notice to Youth Activity Organiser groups and its group members and at any time and for any reason if deemed necessary.

During the selection process, the European Parliament may take geographical balance into consideration, with the aim of ensuring that the EYE2027 programme reflects the diversity of perspectives from across Europe.