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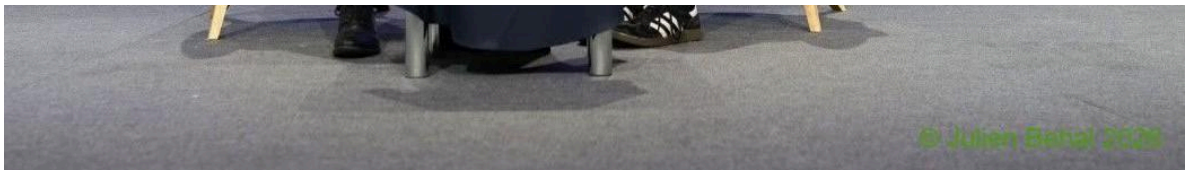


High-level Conference: Listening to Children and Young People

Around 280 adults, children and young people came together in Dublin to discuss improving how adults listen to children and young people, especially those in difficult situations. 21 of our young members were there, and so we had a special Platform meeting too!

[Read more and see the photos](#)





Meaningful child participation on show!

Alumni member Gabrielius had a busy time in Dublin at the High-level Conference. This included an exchange with Commissioner Michael McGrath as part of the opening session of the event, and an interview broadcast on Irish TV!

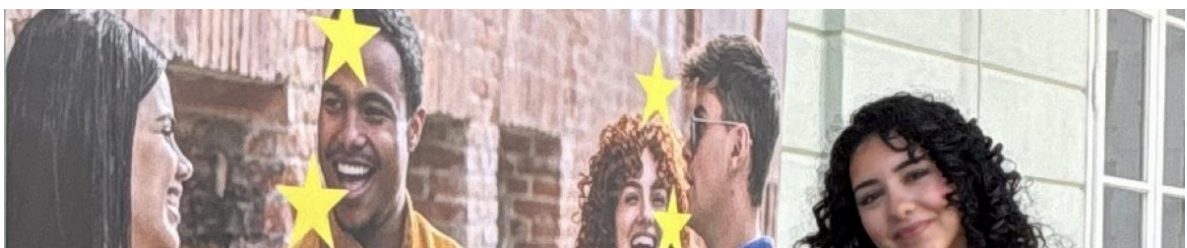
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More content in your EU language

We're putting new content online in all EU languages, in line with what kids told us interests them most. This includes a selection of webpages, downloadable/printable child-friendly PDFs and colourful animated webpages.

[Get our website in your language](#)





Behind the scenes of an EU Youth Policy Dialogue

Rise and Reflect alumni member Naya shares insights from the Dialogue on the Digital Fairness Act, how she prepared for it, and the need to consult children and young people as key digital stakeholders.

[Hear from Naya](#)

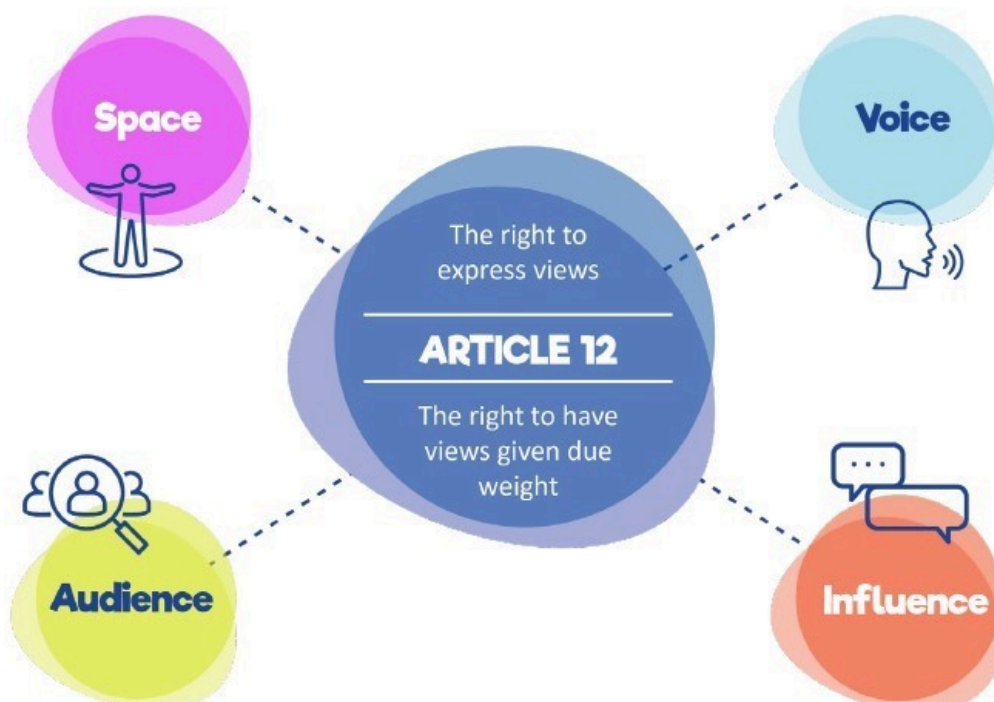
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EU Kids Act – Have your say

The European Commission has announced a proposal to help keep children and teenagers safe online – called the EU Kids Act. You can give your feedback on the proposal until 26 November – but you need an email account to do so.

[Get more details](#)



Lundy Model resources for you in all EU languages

In collaboration with the Irish government's Hub na nÓg (national centre of children and young people's participation), we translated their national Lundy-based participation framework into all EU languages. This includes usable checklists and templates.

[Download the resources](#)

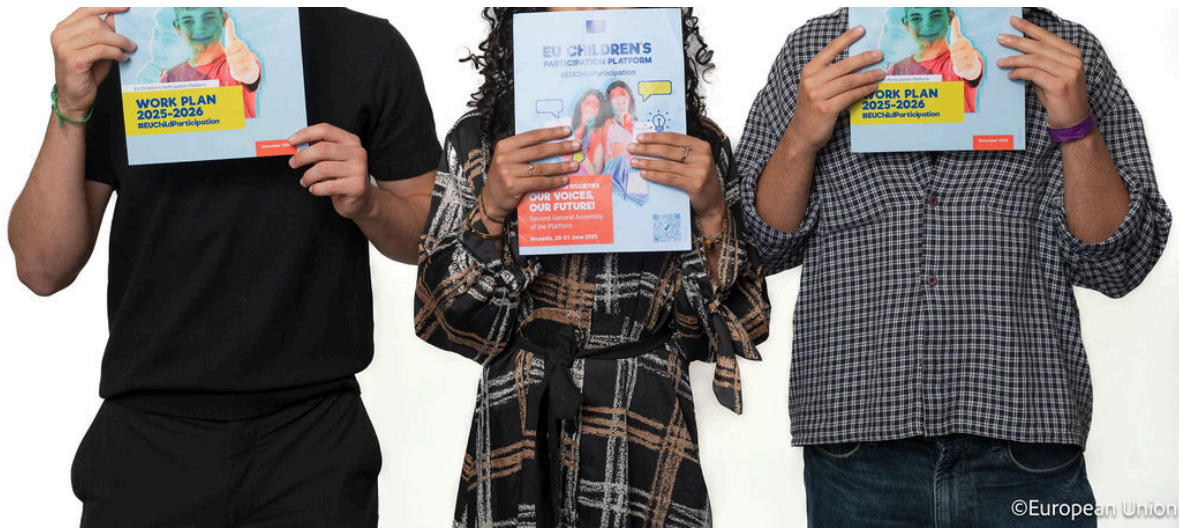


We were there

eTwinning is a collaborative community for schools, pupils and teachers. We ran a workshop at their yearly meeting to talk to teachers about how schools can help bring children's voices from the local level to the national and EU levels.

[All about the conference](#)





Latest publications online

- [Action Plan Against Cyberbullying](#) (animated webpage – all EU languages)
- [Strengthening the European Child Guarantee](#) (PDF – all EU languages)
- [Berlin Study Visit Report – May 2026](#) (PDF in 12 languages)
- [Dublin High-Level Conference Report – July 2026](#) (PDF in English)
- All the latest videos and shorts on our [YouTube playlist](#)

RESOURCES AND INITIATIVES

Discover initiatives and tools to support and empower children across Europe. From events to resources, there's something for everyone to learn, participate in, and benefit from:

- **Euro Youth Mental Health** is looking for new members of its **Youth Advisory Board**, aged 18-27. See the [criteria](#) and [apply by 30 October](#)
- **UN Survey for Youth & Students** on democracy and civic participation education. The survey invites students and young people of all ages to say how and where they learn about democracy and politics, and what could be improved. [Complete the survey by 8 November](#)
- **Contribute to the new Democratic Pact for Europe** by adding your proposal (email address required) or voting on the proposals made by other people: [Contribute or vote by 12 November 2026](#)

• **Lessons and games** in all EU languages on the Learning Corner

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 - [Trust or Trash](#) – a learning course designed to help educators build students' media literacy and critical thinking skills (ages 13-18).
 - [Vote for Turtle](#) – a fun five-minute online game for older teens to learn about disinformation
 - **Project kit** – for children aged 3-6. Runner-up in the 2026 eTwinning Awards, the Little Citizens kit is a framework to help kids identify issues of concern to them and then work together to find solutions: [Get the Little Citizens kit](#)
 - **UNICEF toolkit for policymakers** – a [Prevention Toolkit](#) for Children's Health and Wellbeing, which includes policy implementation guidance for [children's mental health](#)
 - **Resources** from the joint EU-Council of Europe Child-friendly justice project. See the [video](#) and get the [assessment tool](#), which aims to help make EU justice more child-friendly and respectful of children's rights
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OUR COMMUNITY

Building the EU Child Participation community

A very warm welcome to our new Platform Members:

- Associazione 21 Luglio ETS, Italy
- Izglītības iniciatīvu centrs / Center for Education Initiatives, Latvia
- III LO w Gdyni im. Marynarki Wojennej RP – Pracownia Innowacji 3LAB, Poland
- Cubo Libro APS, Italy
- Partners Hungary Foundation, Hungary
- Open Academy Step by Step, Croatia
- The Ark Children's Cultural Centre, Ireland

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