

## Workshop – Program

# Youth Participation in Political Decisions in the Alpine Region

Thursday, 29 June 2017

09.30-17.00

Eurac Research

Bolzano/Bozen, Italy

Moderation:

**Greta Klotz** (Eurac Research) and

**Michaela Hogenboom** (CIPRA)

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### PROGRAM

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9.30–10.00

#### Welcome and Keynote

**Francesco Palermo**, Head of the Institute for Comparative Federalism, Eurac Research and Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law at the University of Verona

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#### Welcoming Words

**Philipp Achammer**, Provincial Counsellor for German Education, Culture and Integration, Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen-South Tyrol

**Christian Tommasini**, Provincial Counsellor for Italian Schools, Education and Culture, Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen-South Tyrol

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10.00–10.15

#### Short Introduction to the project “GaYA - Governance and Youth in the Alps”

**Annalisa Cevasco**, Agenzia di Sviluppo GAL Genovese (Lead Partner of the project)

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10.15–10.45

#### Presentation of the Comparative Report

#### “Democratic Participation and Citizens’ Involvement in the Alpine Space”

**Elisabeth Alber** and **Martina Trettel**, Institute for Comparative Federalism, Eurac Research

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10.45–11.00

#### Whisper Round

Short reflection and informal exchange between neighbouring participants

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11.00–11.30

#### COFFEE BREAK

11.30–12.30 **ROUND TABLE: “Participation of Young Citizens in Alpine Regions and Municipalities: What are the Opportunities and Challenges?”**  
Moderator: Claire Simon (Alpine Town of the Year)

**Christian Wilhelm**, Mayor of Sonthofen (Alpine Town of the Year 2005), Germany  
**Ana Štromajer**, Policy Officer, National Youth Council of Slovenia  
**Francesco Palermo**, Head of the Institute for Comparative Federalism, Eurac Research and Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law at the University of Verona

12.30–12.45 **Mind the Board!**  
Before the lunch break, participants are invited to write their thoughts and reflections on the pinboards located at the back of the room.

12.45–14.00 **LUNCH BUFFET**

14.00–15.30 **Discussion and Networking Tables**  
The participants are invited to take part in at least two discussion tables (maximum of three). The key questions of the afternoon discussions are: What role did youth have in the context of the table topic or which role could they play in the future? The discussions will involve experts from several Alpine regions and moderators from the GaYA-partner consortium.

**Table 1: Instrument “Bürgerrat” (Citizen’s Jury)**

Expert: Christoph Kutzer, Büro für Zukunftsfragen, Land Vorarlberg, Austria  
Moderator: Barbara Österle, AHA | *Main language: German*

**Table 2: Instrument “Participative Budgeting”**

Expert: Ulrich Veith, Mayor of Mals/Malles, Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen - South Tyrol, Italy  
Moderator: Martina Trettel, Eurac Research | *Main languages: German and Italian*

**Table 3: Policy Field “Urban Planning and Transport”**

Expert: Arch. Andrea Pasetti, Liguria Region, Italy  
Moderator: Annalisa Cevasco, Agenzia di Sviluppo GAL Genovese | *Main language: Italian*

**Table 4: Policy Field “Youth”**

Experts: Jonas Hirschi, “Dachverband Schweizer Jugendparlamente”, Switzerland; Representative of the Office for Youth Policies of the Municipality of Trento, Autonomous Province of Trento, Italy  
Moderator: Matevž Straus, Municipality of Idrija | *Main language: English*

**Table 5: Policy Field “Environment”**

Expert: Bérangère Zowiez-Neumann, Office of the Mayor, City of Chambéry, Region Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, France  
Moderator: Dominik Cremer-Schulte, ALPARC | *Main language: English*

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15.30–16.30 **PLENARY SESSION:**  
**Video presentation**  
**ALPARC**  
**Short presentation of further steps in the project “GaYA”**  
**City of Idrija**  
**Conclusion and reflections: What is my take home message?**  
**Greta Klotz** (Eurac Research), **Michaela Hogenboom** (CIPRA)

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**Languages:** The **morning session** of the conference will be held in German and Italian with simultaneous translation to and from both languages as well as into English. In the **afternoon session**, simultaneous translation is not provided. During the “Discussions and Networking Tables” professional translators and partners of the consortium will provide the necessary translations.

**Compulsory registration by 20 June 2017**  
(please indicate the three discussion tables in which you would like to participate).

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