



ENGAGE Project Database of Best practices collected at EU level

Purpose: To offer a gallery of best practices examples to be used as examples and motivations for the youth leaders in their activities when raising young people’s awareness of UE values and motivating them to get engaged in democratic life.

Title of the initiative	youpaN
Representative image of the initiative	 <p>Copyright: YoupaN – Wikipedia</p>  <p>Copyright: Das machen wir - youpaN</p>
Website/Social Media account of the initiative	<p>Website: youpaN - Du gestaltest eure Zukunft! Jugendbeteiligung für BNE</p> <p>Instagram: Instagram</p>
Country of implementation	Germany
Representative organisation/	Nationale Plattform BNE (NP BNE) & Stiftung Bildung

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Type of action	Youth participation and policy advocacy in the field of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)																								
Target group	Young individuals aged 16 to 27 in Germany who are interested in actively contributing to sustainable education policies and practices																								
Main partners or stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NP BNE: youpaN is the youth forum of the National Platform on Education for Sustainable Development (NP BNE). Stiftung Bildung: A non-profit organization that supports and implements the youpaN project. German Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space (BMBF): Provides funding for the initiative. 																								
Short description of the initiatives	youpaN is a youth forum that actively participates in shaping Germany's Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) policies. Comprising 30 volunteer members aged between 16 and 27, youpaN collaborates with experts across various educational sectors to implement the National Action Plan on ESD. The forum is part of the NP BNE (Nationale Plattform BNE), ensuring that youth perspectives are integral to national sustainability education strategies.																								
Activities and methods implemented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Advocacy: Engaging in discussions and decision-making processes within to influence ESD policies. Collaborative Projects: Working alongside experts from different educational fields to promote sustainable development education. Public Engagement: Organizing and participating in events to raise awareness about ESD and youth involvement. 																								



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capacity Building: Empowering young individuals to become active participants in sustainability education through training and mentorship.
Key Success Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Youth Empowerment: Providing a platform for young people to have a tangible impact on national education policies.• Institutional Integration: Ensuring youth voices are represented in formal decision-making bodies.• Collaborative Approach: Fostering partnerships between youth and experts to co-create sustainable education initiatives.• Supportive Infrastructure: Backing from organizations like Stiftung Bildung and funding from the BMBF (German Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space) facilitates sustained engagement and project implementation.