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Develop and expand the youth work offer

Strengthen the provision of youth work in Europe and further **develop a quality local youth work offer**

Possible concrete measures:

- **Reach out to and involve more young people from all backgrounds**
- **Create spaces to listen to young people's voices**
- Strengthen co-operation between local authorities and local youth work organisations

Quality development

Better outreach and information about existing support structures and mechanisms

Possible concrete measures:

- Map and spread knowledge about existing quality (assurance) systems
- Establish occupational standards for the education and training of youth workers
- **Strengthen networks and structures for co-operation and co-creation**

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A common direction for the youth work community of practice

Spaces to **explore, exchange, and build on examples across different styles of practice for youth work to move in the same direction**

Possible concrete measures:

- Map the community of practice and establish working relationships
- **Establish national and international networks for youth work**
- **Bridge gaps and missing links through interacting, sharing, and building capacities**

Beyond the youth work community of practice

Communicate the value of youth work and engage effectively with different sectors

Possible concrete measures:

- **Engage with other sectors and build co-operation strategically**
- Communicate the value of youth work
- Bring together different actors from different sectors to build synergies

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Promotion and recognition

More strategic and co-ordinated efforts are needed to make youth work better understood, visible, and credible as a distinct work arena.

Possible concrete measures:

- Events and targeted campaigns
- Showcase the impact of youth work on communities and societies
- Co-operate with organisations that have developed tools to support recognition
- Build on and learn from initiatives that showcase higher education structures engaging with youth work

Innovation and emerging challenges

To be a safety net for all young people in times of uncertainty, more resilient youth work structures are required based on long-term thinking, reflexivity, and strategy-based youth work.

Possible concrete measures:

- Support actions for the safety and mental health of young people
- **Improve smart youth work through competence development**
- **Make youth work greener**
- **Support young people's engagement in a democratic society**
- Create **innovation** hubs for **progressive and pioneering youth work**

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Policy frameworks

Youth work should be an integral part of youth policy, systematically incorporating the needs of and measures relating to youth work into youth policies, vertically and horizontally.

Possible concrete measures:

- **Support involvement of young people and youth workers in policy-making**
- Promote youth laws, youth work laws, and strategies for youth work
- Further develop working methods that **involve young people as equal creators** of the policy affecting them

A strategic framework for youth work development

Priority addressing the European institutions to further align their visions for youth work within their respective strategies to even better support the growth of youth work throughout Europe

Possible concrete measures:

- Establish national working groups
- Provide framing conditions for supporting local youth work provision
- Establish a robust communications and networking strategy
- Anchor ownership for the Bonn Process in the whole youth work community of practice