

ACTIVATION OF YOUNG PERSONS DRIVING THE CHANGES



DEVELOPMENT

Youth profile in Macedonia

Numbers:

480.828 youth out of 2.022.547 citizens
of Macedonia

1/4 of population (age - 15 – 29 years)

Official documents:

National Youth Strategy

Local Youth Strategies and Action Plans in
several municipalities in Macedonia

Institutions and bodies:

Agency of Youth and Sport

Local Youth Councils in several
municipalities

Student Unions (s.c. Student Parliaments)

High-School Unions



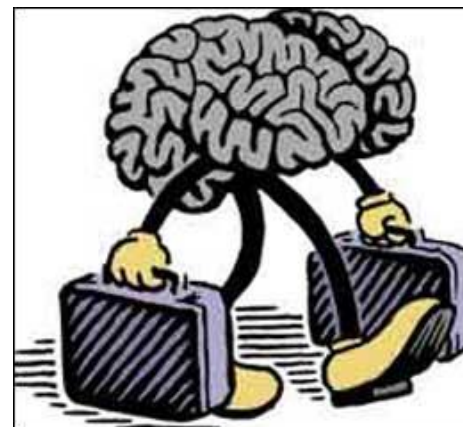
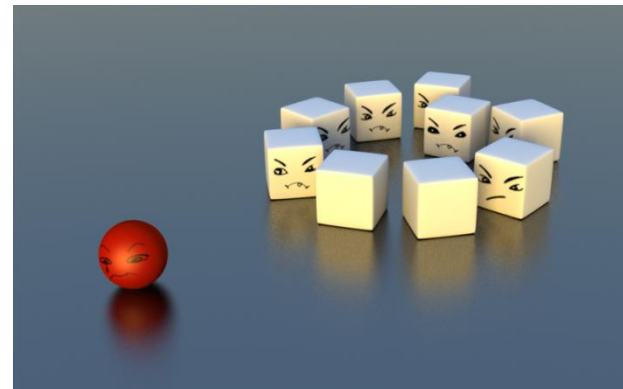
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General position in society

25% of high-school students believe they have minimal conditions in the communities they live in. 25% are self-declared socially excluded citizens.

45% of high-school students see themselves out of the country in 10 years from now.

Economy and lack of job availability are the biggest problem according to high-school students.



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Employment:

56.3% of youth are **inactive**, not working or looking for work. Out of them 73% are inactive due to studies, and others due to household responsibilities.

43.7% are active, out of them 41.8% are employed.

58.2% of active youth are **unemployed**.



Key issues

WEAK YOUTH POLICIES

National Youth Strategy (2005 - 2015)
– lack of care for implementation

Local Youth Councils in several
municipalities – Does the youth know
of them?

There is no umbrella organization on
a state level – National Youth
Parliament?

Macedonia does not have a
representative in the European Youth
Forum?

Agency of Youth and Sport or Agency
of Sport and possibly youth?



Key problems

70.3% of high-school students do not know if there is an union in their school.

12.8% replied that there is, but they don't know who their class representative is, and only 4% were able to list the name of the representative

81.3% have never participated in the election of a high-school union.

Draft-Law on Youth submitted to the Assembly of Macedonia by the Ministry of Justice without consultation of youth or any youth structure in the country

Positive examples

YOUTH REPUBLIC

53 organizations

Organized to prevent the passing of a proposed Draft-Law on Youth.

Amendments to the Assembly of the Republic of Macedonia.

Retraction of the Draft-Law on Youth.

Campaign for National Youth Parliament

www.mladizakon.org



Positive examples

MARCH FOR PEACE

Association of Macedonians,
Albanians, Roma, Turks,
conservatives, liberals,
undecided, individuals and
organizations.
Unity for peace.



Positive examples

STOP POLICE BRUTALITY



Non-formal spontaneous gathering.

Association through social media.

Practicing democracy.



Positive examples

- Developing the sense of EU identity through implementing of EU projects , networking, EVS, etc
- Workshops for intercultural dialogue and understanding





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***Thank you for your
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