

European Youth Week 2016: Get Involved, Make it Happen

The European Commission underlines the importance of providing more and equal opportunities for young people and encouraging young people to actively participate in society during visits to high schools as part of **European Youth Week** on 25 April to 29 April in Morphou, Gialousa, Kyrenia and Nicosia. The aim is to promote the EU Youth Strategy and opportunities for youth both locally and across Europe.

The events will include a fun information session, where various organisations will host information stands that students can visit to get more information about local and EU opportunities. These include opportunities in vocational education, internships, civil society projects & volunteerism, as well as employment, scholarship programmes.

European Youth Week 2016 in the Turkish Cypriot community aims to encourage young people to take part in civil society and in the employment market.

Background:

The EU Youth Strategy, agreed by EU Ministers, sets out a framework for cooperation covering the years 2010-2018. It has two main objectives:

- To provide more and equal opportunities for young people in education and the job market
- To encourage young people to actively participate in society.

The objectives are achieved through a dual approach which includes *Specific youth initiatives*, targeted at young people to encourage non-formal learning, participation, voluntary activities, youth work, mobility and information, and '*Mainstreaming*' *cross-sector initiatives* that ensure youth issues are taken into account when formulating, implementing and evaluating policies and actions in other fields with a significant impact on young people, such as education, employment or health and well-being.

Interested individuals can get more information on this event on the EU Infopoint Facebook page [f/abbilgi](https://www.facebook.com/abbilgi) or by contacting the EU Infopoint: info@abbilgi.eu, 228 2577 and 11A Hasene Ilgaz Street, Köşklüçiftlik Nicosia.

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