

ITU Generation Connect - Europe Youth Group (GC-EUR)

Generation Connect Digital Youth Jam

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The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Generation Connect Europe Youth Group ([GC-EUR](#)) is organizing the first ever Digital Youth Jam, to be virtually held on 3 December 2021.

This event aims to gather European youth leaders and organizations to discuss the GC-EUR [Youth Declaration](#) drafted and presented in early 2021 and covering topics such as capacity development, policy and regulation, cybersecurity, environment, and digital inclusion being an integral part of sustainable development; it aims at cooperation, the advancement of knowledge and innovation for social inclusion.

The event will be a grassroots platform for European Youth to gather, discuss, learn and network from each other. This event will serve as another step towards the journey of GC-EUR to the World Telecommunication Development Conference ([WTDC](#)) to be held in June 2022 as well as the European Year of Youth 2022 as declared by the European Commission.

The outcomes of this event will be reported at the Internet Governance Forum ([IGF](#)) 2021. More information on the GC-EUR group can be found [here](#).



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Draft Agenda

10:00 – 10:15	<p>Opening segment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jaroslaw Ponder, Head of the ITU office for Europe, International Telecommunication Union (ITU) 2. Nele Leosk, Ambassador-at-Large for Digital affairs of Estonia 3. Sabin Sarmas, Member of the Parliament of Romania, Chairman of the IT&Communications Commission within the Chamber of Deputies
10:15 – 11:15	<p>Session 1: Youth voices in policy making</p> <p>This panel discussion between young policy makers in European countries and members of the Generation Connect Europe Youth Group will look at how policy making happens and how can we include more youth voices in it.</p> <p>Moderator: Viktoriia Savitska, Digital Skills Expert, ITU</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Her Excellency Valeria Ionan, Deputy Minister for Eurointegration at the Ministry of Digital Transformation of Ukraine 2. Bojana Visekruna, Advisor at Office of the Prime Minister of Serbia for culture, creative industries, science, and tourism 3. Jurgis Vilkas, Chief specialist of the Resources and Services Division at The Communications Regulatory Authority of the Republic of Lithuania (RRT) 4. Albesa Demjaha, Cybersecurity, Associate at KPMG Norway PhD Candidate at University College London (UCL)
11:15 – 12:00	<p>Session 2: In conversation with a Young Leader</p> <p>This session will be a fireside chat with a young leader in the space of business or the humanitarian sector.</p> <p>Moderator: Luke Cavanaugh</p> <p>Speaker: Taha Bawa, Co-founder and CEO of Goodwall</p>
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Networking Lunch</p> <p>This networking hour will give young people the ability to connect with each other.</p>
13:00 – 14:00	<p>Session 3: Youth Groups and their role in Europe</p>





	<p>This panel discussion will see leaders of various youth organizations and their role in engaging and leading youth today, what are the challenges and how can we grasp the opportunities.</p> <p>Moderator: Mael Azokly, Global Shapers</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eugenie Fontugne, Curator of the Global Shapers Geneva hub 2. Maria Pia Napoletano, Young European Ambassadors Coordinator at EU NEIGHBOURS east, EU Regional Communication Programme for the Eastern Neighborhood 3. Alex Krook, Digital Content & Communications Manager, Youth Business International 4. Valentina Sabucco, UNESCO Global Youth Community 5. Mirwais Wafa, UNESCO Global Youth Community
14:00 – 14:50	<p>Session 4: Youth Declaration Open discussion</p> <p>This session will be an open discussion on the Generation Connect Europe Youth Group declaration. It will serve as a reflector where participating youth can share their thoughts in strengthening it.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elisa Haxhillazi, ITU Generation Connect Europe Youth Group 2. Franka Weckner, German Youth Delegate to the UN General Assembly. 3. Marko Paloski, ITU Generation Connect Europe Youth Group
14:50 – 15:00	<p>Closing</p> <p>Jaroslav Ponder, Head of the ITU office for Europe</p>

