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Youth Public Policy

AMP's vision

Vision for Youth



The AMP is an association that gathers 17 municipalities, with powers delegated by the Portuguese government.



The Metropolitan Council is the AMP's decision-making body, composed by the mayors of its 17 city councils.



Although the Youth area is not one of the powers conferred by the Central Administration to the AMP, the Metropolitan Council considered it a strategic priority.



The AMP is the only inter-municipal organisation in the country developing this articulated, innovative and cohesive work in the field of Youth.



Partnerships and Diagnosis



Strategy: constitution of the AMP's WG for Youth March 2022



Approved by the AMP's Metropolitan Council of Councillors for Youth

- ✓ **17 municipal representatives** for Youth named by the municipalities
- ✓ **1 AMP technical coordinator** for Youth
- ✓ Decentralized **monthly** meetings
- ✓ Local realities sharing
- ✓ Presentation of best practices
- ✓ Challenges and suggestions for the territory



Strategy: thematic subgroups in the WG for Youth



- ✓ AMP's metropolitan monitor for youth public policy
- ✓ Survey of equipment and answers for youth in the AMP
- ✓ AMP'S road trip sounding out young people
- ✓ AMP's opportunities for youth
- ✓ Applications and investment
- ✓ Metropolitan strategy group for youth
- ✓ AMP's integrated capacity-building programme



Activities implemented since 2022



Soundings: youth entrepreneurship and employment 2023

Structured Dialogue Sessions with Young People AMP - 2023 EU /KA3 Erasmus + ANJE partnership

Goals:

- To bring closer and enhance the dialogue between AMP's young people and political decision-makers.
- To increase the participation of young people, politicians and youth practitioners in the definition of public policies for youth.
- To bring closer and enhance the dialogue between organisations, experts, young people and decision-makers in the field of youth.
- To develop key skills and knowledge capable of promoting the active participation of young people.
- To promote European cooperation and the implementation of new and more efficient policies for youth.

2 decentralised sessions

Maia and Arouca

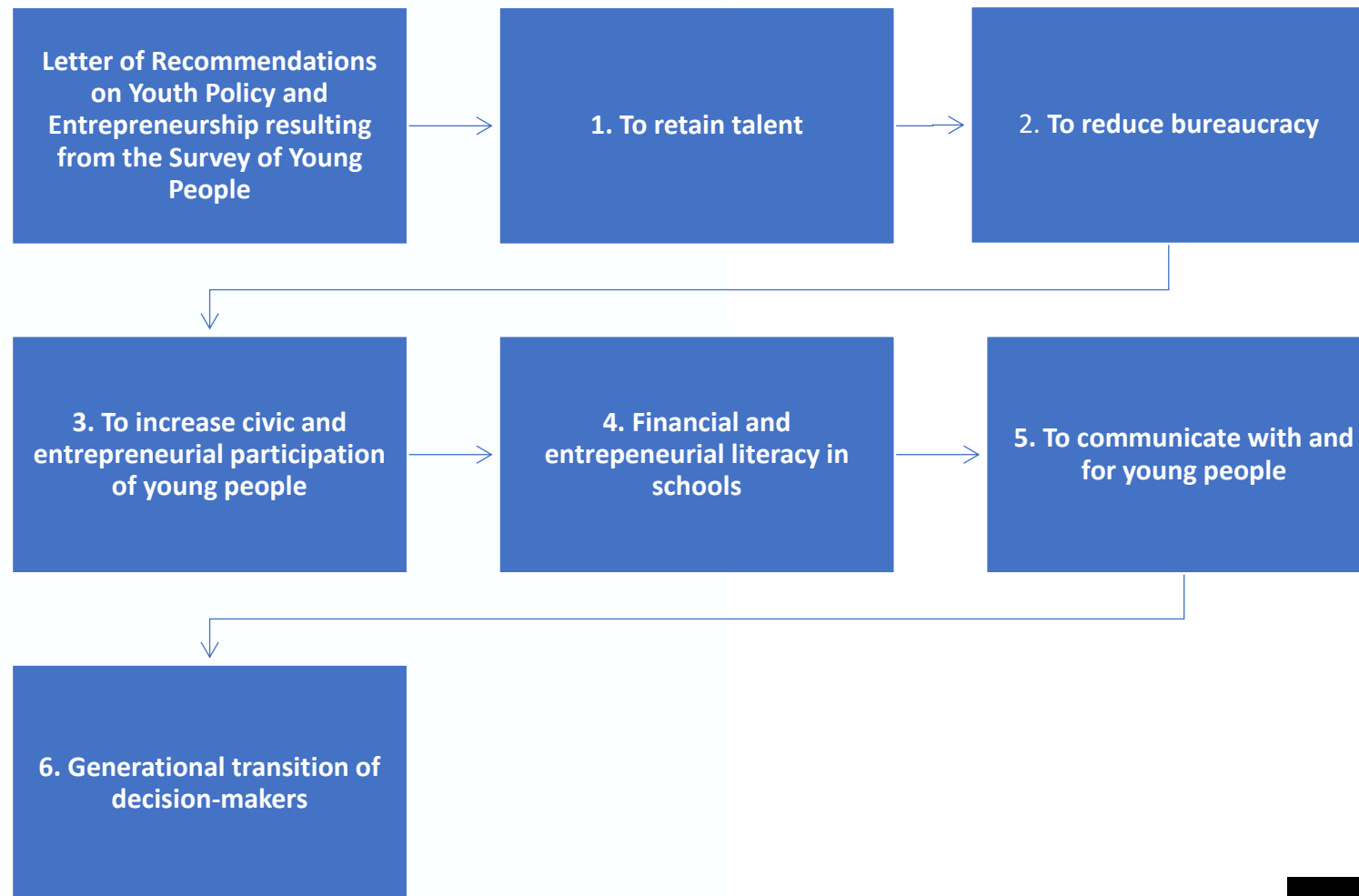
- ❑ 17 municipalities
- ❑ 15 decision-makers
- ❑ 18 youth practitioners
- ❑ 42 young people



Dialogue Sessions



Dialogue Sessions



AMP's Road Trip Sounding Out Young People

Education, training and vocational options

- School and vocational guidance
- Challenges of education, training and vocational opportunities
- Youth employment and entrepreneurship
- Connection between Youth and Education areas
- Decentralised sessions within the territory
- Young people from the 17 municipalities



Se tens entre 18 e 29 anos (inclusive) e resides na
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Tomorrow Summit

2022 and 2023

2022 - 748 young people from the AMP
2023 – 900 young people from the AMP

- Immersion in youth ecosystems
- Contact with the reality of the world of work and higher education
- Development of skills
- Equal opportunities for young people
- Territorial cohesion
- Proximity between organisations, decision-makers, youth associations, educational structures, business fabric and young people from the 17 municipalities



Metropolitan Monitor for Youth Public Policy



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Erasmus + application/Key Action 2 “Local and Regional Public Policy Monitor for Youth

September 2023/ September 2025

European Consortium

AMP + Diputación de Barcelona+ KREMS University + Comunidad Cinisello Básamo + Ramnicu Sarat + APP Juventude



Mission:

- Characterization of the reality of youth in the AMP
- Survey of equipment and answers for youth in the AMP
- Metropolitan diagnosis of public policies for youth
- Monitoring of indicators of efficiency and innovation of practices and policies for youth

Metropolitan Monitor for Youth Public Policy Survey

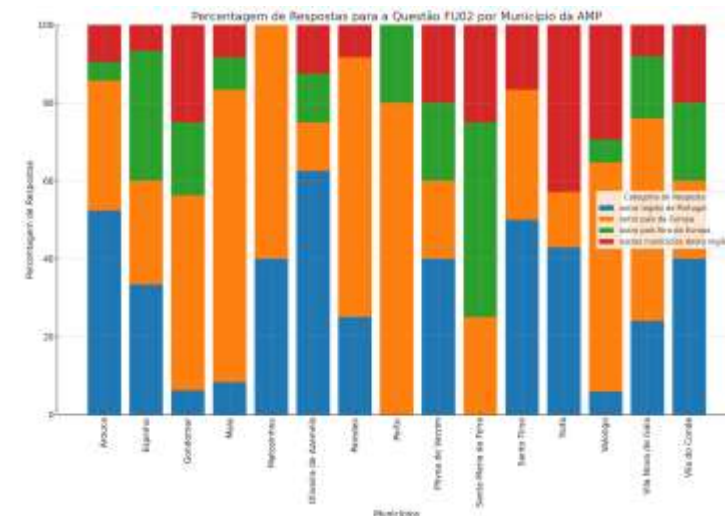
Needs identified by young people

- Employment opportunities
- Meeting points for young people
- Structures for young people
- Housing
- Leisure opportunities



What future?

- Another country in Europe
- Another region in Portugal
 - Long term
 - For good



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Soundings



- Sounding of **young migrants in the AMP**
- Sounding of **young people from the 17 AMP municipalities**
- **Diversification of young audiences**
- **Interests and concerns of young people in the AMP**



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Sounding of Practitioners Working with Young People

2 decentralised sounding sessions of practitioners working with young people

Over 40 practitioners

Characterization of the work developed by the municipalities

Perception of the work made with young people and youth policies

Connection between the work made with young people and policies for youth

European Youth Work Strategy and Bonn Process

Expectations for the AMP's Youth Monitor



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Interviews with Policy Makers



- **Characterization** of municipalities
- **Definition of Local Youth Policies**
- Local and metropolitan **challenges and practices**
- Interaction with **European policies for youth**
- Medium- and long-term **vision of municipal and metropolitan youth policies (30 years)**
- **Expectations - Youth Monitor**





AMP's Metropolitan Strategy Group for Youth GEMJ

AMP's Metropolitan Strategy Group for Youth



- ❑ **Bringing young people closer to political decision-makers**
- ❑ **Involving young people** in the promotion and implementation of public policies for youth in the AMP
- ❑ **Promoting territorial cohesion and identity**
- ❑ **Integrating 34 youngsters** representing the AMP's 17 municipalities
- ❑ **17 Councillors** of the MCCY
- ❑ **AMP's Executive Officer** with responsibility in the youth field
- ❑ **Practitioners working in the youth field**
- ❑ Youth representative **bodies**



Building the AMP's Metropolitan Strategy for Youth 2022-2025

participat
SAGA EM
MAIS
COOPERANTES

Articulação e Comunicação
efetiva entre todos
os agentes - decisores,
técnicos, fóruns, entidades
e instituições,
Comunidade

Acesso
ao
Habitação

União

- **Co-creation** of the AMP's youth strategy plan (decision-makers /practitioners /bodies/ young people)
- **Based on current evidence**
- **Coordination of values and vision** with the new European policies
- Coordination of strategy with **local and global challenges;**
- Based on the **creation, renewal and diversification of territorial strategies**
- **Integration of horizontal and vertical priorities** in the action plans
- **Definition of goals and metrics for the assessment** and adjustment of the strategy to the reality of the territory

AMP's Acceleration and Innovation Programme in Public Policies for Youth

- AMP's 17 laboratories decentralised programme (10 completed, 7 in preparation)
- **Capacity building and empowerment** of the territory's **players** (political decision-makers, leaders, young people and youth organisations)
- **Thematic** and focused **sounding**
- Promotion of **best practices in the AMP**
- Creation of a **benchmark Region** for Youth Policies in Portugal
- **Knowledge transfer** and prototyping
- Development of **local action plans**
- ☐ **Assessment** report and **presentation of the strategy**



Priorities of the AMP's Metropolitan Strategy for Youth

- Financing and investment in the youth areas
- Improvement of services and infrastructures of youth work
- Integrated capacity building of leaders, practitioners, representative bodies and young people
- Development, implementation and innovation of young people's participation models/mechanisms
- Innovation and cohesion in territorial policies for youth
- Development, implementation and assessment of Strategic Action Plans for Youth



Next Steps

Presentation to the Metropolitan Council of Councillors for Youth and the AMP's Metropolitan Council **for approval**

Literacy for Participation and Citizenship

Youth Volunteering
(Metropolitan Youth Academies)

Limitations

- ❖ **Very different policy priorities and resources** within the metropolitan territory.
- ❖ **Insufficient number of qualified practitioners 100% allocated** to the development of youth in municipalities.
- ❖ **Lack of definition of youth policies** (education, sports...) and of work with and for young people.
- ❖ **Diffuse budgets** for Youth.
- ❖ **“Political exploitation”** of some measures/projects.
- ❖ **Investments excessively focused on a central or regional level.**

Opportunities

- ✓ Creation of an **innovative and strong articulated and integrated network**.
- ✓ Promotion of a **metropolitan identity** among young people.
- ✓ **Sharing of skills, practices and resources** in the 17 municipalities.
- ✓ **Reduction of inequality** in the access to opportunities in the 17 municipalities.
- ✓ **Enhancement of financial investment** in the territory.
- ✓ **Empowerment of all agents** in the territory
- ✓ **Political and technical cohesion in the AMP**
- ✓ **Involving** not only the “usual” actors **in planning and participation, but everyone.**

Advantages and Successful Cases

Political vision for Youth
in the AMP (PMC, MCCY
and MEB)

Strategy based on the
creation of a Working Group
of municipal representatives
coordinated by the AMP,
deeply involved in the work
with and for young people

Creation of partnerships of
high scientific and technical
value in the territory (ex: APP
Juventude, FAP, ANJE, Carlos
Sousa Santos...)

Involvement of young people
in the AMP's sounding and
youth strategy definition
processes

Lessons and Challenges

