

Youth BarCamp October 18-20, 2013 | Vienna

From October 18-20 a Youth BarCamp is to take place in Vienna. It will bring together 60 young people from six countries (Austria, Belgium, Finland, Germany, Spain, and United Kingdom) to discuss about eDemocracy and Participation.

In particular, topics are youth policy focusing on the implementation of the EU Youth Strategy, Guidelines for successful e-Participation of young people as well as any topic within the thematic framework of eDemocracy and Participation young people themselves wish to discuss.

A BarCamp

"A BarCamp is an international network of user-generated unconferences primarily focused around technology and the Web. They are open, participatory workshop-events, the content of which is provided by participants. The first BarCamps focused on early-stage web applications, and were related to open source technologies, social software, and open data formats.

The format has also been used for a variety of other topics, including public transit, health care, education, and political organizing. The BarCamp format has also been adapted for specific industries like banking, real estate and social media."

En.wikipedia.org/wiki/BarCamp

Main organiser of the Youth BarCamp is WienXtra (based in Vienna). Different partners from the six countries mentioned above are partners for the event. They are for example encouraged promoting the event and selecting young people (age 18-24; app. 10 per country).

Figures at a glance

Start of the Youth BarCamp | October 18
Arrival of young people to the Youth BarCamp | October 18 (till 15 hrs)
Ending of Youth BarCamp | October 20
Departure of young people from the Youth BarCamp | October 20 (after 14 hrs)

The **location of the Youth BarCamp** is:

wienXtra-institut für freizeitpädagogik; Albertgasse 35/II: 1080 Wien; Tel. +43/1/4000-83 415

Preliminary Agenda

Friday, 18.10.2013

9:00 hrs Visiting the event venueDefining roles and interests of partners during &

after the Youth BarCamp

Clarifying tasks and responsibilities during and after the Youth BarCamp

Getting familiar with technicalities (e.g. internet, tools)

Questions

11:00 hrs Coffee break, cookies & fresh air





11:30 hrs	Continuation of morning program
13:00 hrs	Lunch break
15:00 hrs	Arrival & preparation of meeting venue
16:00 hrs	Start of Youth BarCamp
17:30 hrs	Leaving for Dinner

Saturday, 19.10.2013

09:30 hrs	Start of Youth BarCamp including Introduction to the method of BarCamp & Questions Session planning
12:00 – 13:00 hrs	First round of parallel Youth BarCamp sessions
13:00 – 14:30 hrs	Lunch
14:30 – 15:30 hrs	Second round of parallel Youth BarCamp sessions
15:30 – 16:00 hrs	Coffee, cookies & fresh air
16:00 – 17:00 hrs	Third round of parallel Youth BarCamp sessions
17:00 – 18:00 hrs	Personal conclusions & reflections of the day
18:30 hrs	Leaving for Dinner & Dance

Sunday, 20.10.2013

11:00 hrs	Farewell meeting Youth BarCamp
12:30 hrs	Departure of Participants or optional sightseeing tour of Vienna

Young people's contribution before the Kick-off

Young people contribute beforehand to the Youth BarCamp. This will happen through the platform "barcamptools.eu", where young people can make session proposals and vote upon them before actually arriving at the Youth BarCamp. If the made a proposal they can share this through social media and gain attraction for the event. At the same time the young people can learn who else is interested in the Youth BarCamp and start discussions even prior to the event. By this the young people take an active role in exercising their right of participation, making their interests and voice heard and receives instant feedback and responses to their ideas. Overall, this helps to raise the involvement of the young people as well as the overall experience of the event and personal ownership to the outcome of the Youth BarCamp.

In particular, the content of the Youth BarCamp provides a thematic framework to issues directly related to young people in Europe: such as youth participation, Europe, European citizenship, active citizenship, eDemocracy, ICT for decision-making processes, Open Data, Open Government. Through its interactive and innovative character, it offers an ideal space for young people to contribute to the topics of the framework as well as bring own issues within this framework to the table.

