

# Newsletter 3

YouDecide

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## Defending Youth and Decision Makers Transnational EU Youth Dialogue

### Celebrating the #YOUthDecide Hackathon and Project Completion

We are thrilled to share the highlights of our final Youth Participation Mobility event, the #YOUthDecide Hackathon, which took place in Thessaloniki, Greece from 15–20 January 2024. This dynamic event marked a significant milestone in our project and signifies the successful conclusion of the YouDecide initiative.



### #YOUthDecide Hackathon Overview

The #YOUthDecide Hackathon brought together 70 participants—15 from Portugal, 15 from Serbia, and 40 from Greece, including 20 decision-makers—for an engaging and impactful experience. This event was designed to enhance the EU Youth Dialogue through participatory and evidence-based policy-making, empowering young people to shape their vision for Europe's future.

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## Event Highlights

- Participants took part in a youth-centered and action-oriented training pathway, gaining insights into strengthening civic engagement and democratic participation.
- The event featured a 4-day workshop where young people collaborated, shared knowledge, and engaged in debates about Europe's future, focusing on opportunities and challenges.
- Attendees developed practical and theoretical tools to support their role as active citizens and contributed to positive social transformation.
- The hackathon also facilitated networking and knowledge sharing, offering a platform for participants to interact with decision-makers and formulate recommendations for youth policy.



## Successful Project Conclusion

As we reflect on the #YOUthDecide Hackathon, we celebrate the successful conclusion of the YouDecide project. This initiative has made substantial progress in fostering youth participation and engagement across Europe. Our activities have empowered young people to influence policy-making and contribute to democratic processes, leaving a lasting impact on the youth movement.



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To commemorate the #YOUthDecide Hackathon, we have prepared a 30-40 second video collage showcasing key moments and activities from the event. This video captures the energy, collaboration, and achievements of the participants, providing a visual summary of our project's impact.



## Explore More

- For more information about the #YOUthDecide Hackathon and other project activities, please visit our website: <https://youdecide.gr/>
- Youth Participation Mobility: Details about the #YOUthDecide Hackathon and other mobility events here: <https://youdecide.gr/youth-participation-mobility/>
- The YouDecide Toolbox: Access educational materials and practical activities designed for youth engagement here: <https://youdecide.gr/youdecide-toolbox/>
- Newsfeed: Read about recent activities, newsletters, and articles here: <https://youdecide.gr/>
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Thank you for being part of the YouDecide journey. We are proud of our collective achievements and excited to see the ongoing impact of our work in empowering youth across Europe.