

Call for Participants



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The Heinrich Böll Foundation, the Green European Foundation and the Young European Greens (FYEG), invite you to apply for the 8th **Congress of Young Europeans**, taking place in Thessaloniki, Greece.

At the four-day Congress, selected participants from all over Europe will have a chance to come together in this vibrant and culturally rich city to work together, voice their concerns and put forward their own solutions for a more just Europe, ahead of the 2024 European elections.

The main theme of this year's Congress of Young Europeans is **independent living**: a defining struggle and battle of this generation that ranges from chasing for basic care and mental health to affordable housing, from gender rights and to good working conditions, from equality all the way to political underrepresentation. A young person has the right to all of these things, to afford building a life for themselves, independently.

The Congress, entitled "*Independence Days*", will focus on the role of youth in shaping their future in Europe. As a participant, you will reflect on widespread reality for young people all over Europe, explore the interlinking challenges across different regions, and propose forward-thinking solutions

that reflect your needs in the political debate.

You will take part in hands-on workshops with high-level speakers discussing topics such as the cost of living, youth mobilization and resilience. Beyond the topical sessions, you are invited to use this event as a platform to facilitate your own session, by presenting your own initiatives related to the topics.

- ✓ Are you **already involved in European matters** or **do you want to get involved**?
- ✓ **Do you think you deserve to build a life for yourself but cost of living and access to your rights are preventing you to?**
- ✓ Are you **interested in sharing your visions, knowledge and ideas**?
- ✓ Are you younger than **30**?

Then APPLY to the Congress of Young Europeans and become part of a young and innovative European network!

The working language of the congress will be English.

The organisers will cover the travel costs and accommodation for all selected participants of the Thessaloniki Congress of Young Europeans. The number of spots is limited to **60 participants from abroad** and **40 local participants**. **The deadline to apply is July 7th 2023 EOD!**

If you have any questions, please contact gr-info@gr.boell.org