

EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EDUCATION AND CULTURE

Youth and sport; Erasmus+ Director

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To the Directors General for Youth

Subject: Expert group "defining the specific contribution of youth work and non-formal and informal learning to address the challenges young people are facing, in particular the transition from education to employment"

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

We are pleased to inform you that the Council in its Resolution of 20 May 2014 on an EU Work Plan for Youth (2014-2015) invited the Member States and the Commission to establish an expert group to define " the specific contribution of youth work and non-formal and informal learning to address the challenges young people are facing, in particular the transition from education to employment".

We would like to invite you to appoint a representative for this expert group. You can assign either someone from a governmental or a non-governmental organisation. Experts should be able to give an overview of the situation in your country and report on main developments as regards policy, practice and research.

The work of the expert group will start in September and last until end 2015. The group will define a more precise schedule of activities at the first meeting. The working language of the group will be English.

Please find attached the principles relating to the membership and functioning for this expert group. You can find further relevant background information in the EU Work Plan for Youth, which you can consult at the following web address:

http://register.consilium.europa.eu/doc/srv?l=EN&f=ST%209523%202014%20INIT.

In light of the above, please inform us by **31 July 2014** at the latest with the name and contact details of the person you nominate to represent your country. We will then take direct contact with this person in good time before the first meeting.

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Would you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Joëlle Wilfart (Joelle.Wilfart@ec.europa.eu, tel. +32.2.29 67 983)

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure: Principles relating to the membership and functioning of expert groups

c.c.: Members of the Youth Working Party