

# RURAL YOUTH FOR A GREEN & INCLUSIVE EUROPE



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# RURAL YOUTH, CLIMATE CHANGE & THE SDGs



## IDEAS?

- ✓ CREATE JOB OPPORTUNITIES!
- ✓ HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AFFORDABLE? → NOT JUST APARTMENTS

QUALITY OF LIFE? NATURE ✓ FRESH AIR ✓ MOBILITY?

← STAY

SHOULD THE EU. YOUTH STAY & LIVE IN RURAL AREAS?

→ GO

• establish CONTACT WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES? LET'S WORK TOGETHER

WORK & CONNECT WITH ASSOCIATIONS

SOLUTIONS?

ACCESSIBILITY

WAGES OPPORTUNITIES

! PROBLEMS

WHAT IS OUR CULTURAL IN VILLAGES?

VILLAGES ARE NO LONGER IMPORTANT

I WANT TO DO & BE SOMETHING ... BUT NO OPTIONS IN VILLAGES





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**HOUSING**  
NEED FOR AFFORDABLE OPTIONS

**FOOD**  
LOCAL & HIGH QUALITY

**FARMERS & THEIR KNOWHOW**  
ON CLIMATE CHANGE

**MATERIALS**  
MORE ECO-BUILDING OPTIONS?



STILL ISSUES WITH INTERNET & ELECTRICITY

**WHERE**  
IS ENERGY USED MOST EFFICIENTLY?



**CREATE**  
CULTURE IN RURAL AREAS!

**NEED FOR**  
MORE DIVERSE INCOME OPPORTUNITIES

**CARS**  
ELECTRIC CARS NOT AN OPTION?

MORE DEFENSE AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE

QUALITY OF LIFE



WE LIVE IN RURAL AREAS LIKE SATELITES... ALWAYS DEPENDING ON CITIES ANYWAY...

**CREATE**  
SPACES & EVENTS!

**JOBS**  
MANY OPTIONS

**WASTE**  
... YES, BUT BETTER INFRASTRUCTURE TO SORT WASTE



**MORE CULTURAL-DIVERSITY & OPTIONS INCLUSIVITY!**

**NEED TO**  
**RETHINK**  
TRANSPORT

**PUBLIC TRANSPORT**  
AVAILABLE & EXTENSIVE  
→ more sustainable!



USE OF GREEN ENERGY?

farmers  
MENTALITY IS CHANGING!



HOW BIG IS ECO-FOOTPRINT?



**FOOD**  
SMALL CO-OP FARMING?



THE VOICE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN RURAL AREAS, INCLUDING DIGITAL ISSUES

# ACCESS



YOUTH PARTICIPATION IS KEY!



# OPPORTUNITY

# TOOLS

- TO NAVIGATE LANGUAGE BARRIERS
- BETWEEN REGIONS
  - DIFFICULT JARGON

CHANGE MINDSET TO BE EAGER TO STAY & DEVELOP SMALL COMMUNITIES



# SPACES OF PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION FOR RURAL YOUTH

YOUTH CENTERS

FOR OPEN MINDED



ENGAGEMENT

\* NEED FOR HELP & INFO IN APPLYING FOR FUNDS

NEED FOR SPACES FOR RURAL YOUTH

WITH COVID... NEED TO RECONNECT



PANDEMIC MADE YOUTH ADAPTABLE

STRONG FOR THE UNCERTAIN FUTURE

SUSTAINABILITY HAS BECOME A MAIN FOCUS

FUTURE ON OUR PLANET?

LACK OF INFORMATION FROM RURAL YOUTH TO

EX: ERASMUS

NEED FOR EVENTS TO HELP ENCOURAGE & SUPPORT!



AMBASSADORS?

A SOLUTION COULD BE DIGITAL ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP RECOGNIZED BY EU DEPUTIES

COMMUNICATION THROUGH COMMUNITIES... & ASSOCIATIONS

CLEAR & ACCESSIBLE INFORMATION