



WINTER ACADEMY 2017

“Youth Engagement in Building a More Efficient Europe”

24-25 November 2017, Thon Hotel EU, Brussels, Belgium

PROGRAMME

Friday 24 November 2017

- 15:30 – 16:00 **Registration and Welcome Coffee** (Thon Hotel EU, Hall France, Rue de la Loi 75, 1040, Brussels)
- 16:00 – 16:30 **Welcome speeches**
- ★ **Luca BADER**, Chief Executive Officer of the Institute of European Democrats (IED).
 - ★ **Mathieu BAUDIER**, Member of Scientific Committee of IED.
 - ★ **Antoine CARETTE**, President of Young Democrats for Europe (YDE).
- 16:30 – 17:30 **Get to know Delegates roundtable**
- Introduction of all Delegates and participating youth organizations.
- 17:30 – 17:50 **Keynote speech:**
European Youth and its Voice in Democratic life of Europe
- ★ **Marios GEORGIADIS**, Vice-Chair of the Greek Parliament and Vice-President of the European Democratic Party (PDE-EDP).
- 17:50 – 18:00 Concluding remarks and instructions for the workshops, division into workshop groups.
- 20:30 Dinner at **Skievelat Sablon** Restaurant, Rue J.Stevens, 16/18, 1000 Brussels



Saturday 25 November 2017

09:00 – 12:00 **Workshop “For a Europe of United Diversity”**

Workshop Groups:

- Iron Curtain group: East-West cleavages
- Crystal Curtain group: North-South divide
- Solidarity group: Issues of globalisation, migration, development aid and climate change
- Equality group: Gender and LGBTI issues
- Opportunities group: Youth employment and participation in politics

Each group will discuss its topic, try to formulate answers on distributed questions and prepare suggestions how to address the problem in order to eliminate rising inequalities in Europe.

(Coffee and refreshments will be for disposal).

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch at the Restaurant of the Thon Hotel EU

14:00 – 16:00 **Presentations of the Workshop results and Discussion**

Each group will present the result of their discussions – main findings, answers on prepared questions and suggestions. This will be followed by Questions and Answers round.

All these conclusions will be processed into “YDE Youth Report”.

(Coffee and refreshments will be for disposal).

16:00 – 18:00 **Roundtable “Where will we be in 2027?”**

How do the Delegates project themselves at the level of their commitment and their political career? Where will their country, their region of the Union be in ten years’ time? What will be the status of the current global or cross-cutting themes?

20:30 Dinner at *La Rose Blanche* Restaurant, Grand Place 11, 1000 Brussels

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