Topic: A survey platform for young people and an annual event with EU leaders

Problem: The EU is unknown to many young people and difficult to approach. Getting information and answers to your own questions about the EU can be difficult. Youth activity in the EU is low.

Current situation: Youth voter turnout 2019: 42% 2014: 28%. In Finland, the voting activity of people under 25 was only 10%.

Our solution: Establish a website where young people can ask questions directly to different EU bodies and decision-makers. An event would be organised once or twice a year where young people from other EU countries could ask questions directly to EU leaders. The event could be streamed on YouTube and promoted on various social media platforms such as Instagram, Facebook and X (formerly Twitter)

Video text:

The European Union is a distant and mysterious machine to some of the youth. Many have no idea how the EU affects their lives. It can be difficult to get information and answers to the burning questions. As a result, It is not a surprise that youth activity in the EU is low.

Young people’s turnout in the latest EU election was around 42% and in the election of 2014 it was 28%. The turnout in Finland in 2019 of voters under the age of 25 was only 10%.

We need to improve the engagement of the youth in EU politics. Therefore, we have a suggestion for achieving that goal.

A website could be established, where young people have the opportunity to ask questions directly from different EU bodies and decision-makers. Once or twice a year, an event would be organized where young people from different EU countries would all get together and could ask questions directly from EU leaders.

The event could be streamed on Youtube, and it could be promoted on various social media platforms such as Instagram, Facebook and X(ex) (formerly known as twitter).

So, to improve the youth engagement in EU activity, we present the Ask the European Union website and yearly Ask Us Anything - EU event.