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CICE: Young people's identity and citizenship: a vision for Europe

Our network brings together those who help young people in schools and preschools to understand how they are citizens of Europe, and how this is an important part of their identity.

We provide higher education for teachers, youth workers, early childhood workers, social pedagogues and others, and particularly help develop an understanding of how young people understand society and their rights and obligations.

We aspire to help young people in the pre-schools, schools and universities of Europe to develop positive respect for individual identities, and explicitly to welcome the cultural diversity that constitutes today's Europe.

Young people's vision of Europe is of a future-directed project, that provides them with opportunities for travel, study and work across a borderless continent. It is of a Europe with a strong social dimension, providing supportive networks, with fairness and equality high on the agenda. It is a Europe of opportunity and scope for personal achievement and enterprise.

Young people's vision of Europe is of a continent dedicated to establishing and extending human rights. It is of a compassionate Europe, that contributes two-thirds of the world's aid budget, that is free of capital punishment, and has relatively low rates of imprisonment, with good social security and healthcare for all. But also a Europe that has to go yet further in extending rights and justice.

It is of a committed Europe, dedicated to an ecologically sound future, but that also needs to increase its pace and commitment to minimising climate change.

It is of a Europe which still has far to go in achieving these goals.

A Europe of opportunity and challenge ...

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