

Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

Dear Delegates of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs,

Let us, first of all, congratulate you on your place in the committee. We, Magdalena, Fiona and Luka as your chair, as well as Tudor as your CIE, will be guiding you through this session and are looking forward to a wonderful time in Tyrol.

We are warm-heartedly welcoming you to the MEP-Family, a network of wonderful people, which you are now part of. You will have the opportunity to meet people from all over Europe and travel to foreign countries, so we hope that you will take the chance as we did.

The issue you will face reads as follows:

The question of youth unemployment:

Today many EU member states are faced with youth unemployment. About 22% of all 15- to 25-year-old EU citizens are so-called 'NEETs', resulting in numerous social and economic issues.

How can the EU support their integration into the labour market, thus reducing the associated financial and social knock-on effects? Which initiatives can be taken to allow the young workforce to become an active and contributing part of the labour market and European society?

Before getting into committee work you will need to prepare yourselves for the upcoming discussions. Moreover, it is essential that you are highly motivated and capable of working together as a team. Be creative, think out of the box and speak up whenever something comes to your mind - every idea is worth sharing.

In order to prepare you best for committee work and writing a resolution, we gathered some useful links for you. We urge you to use these to prepare for the session and to gain an overview of what you will be talking about. Of course, you are free to conduct additional research on your own and use other sources, such as reports, documentaries, articles, etc.

We hope that we could provide you with useful preparation material and we are looking forward to seeing you all in Tyrol.

To make sure that you have all understood the topic sufficiently we would like you to write a short (1-2 pages) summary of our topic, covering both problems and possible solutions. We expect you to present this in our first committee meeting.

Best regards and see you soon,

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Youth unemployment explained by the International Labour Organisation:

<https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/youth-employment/lang--en/index.htm>

The EU's position on youth unemployment:

<https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1036>

<https://publications.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/b8bdcefc-0964-44cd-9d53-14af3756dbc0/language-en/format-PDF/source-83097087>

EU mobility Framework:

<https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1172&langId=en>

Current situation of young people on the EU labour market:

https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Youth_unemployment#Definition_of_unemployment_and_youth_unemployment_indicators

General statistics on employment:

<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php?title=Category:Employment>

Statistics and information about troubles young people are facing and NEETs:

https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Statistics_on_young_people_neither_in_employment_nor_in_education_or_training

Strategies to reach out to NEETs:

http://www.ilo.org/employment/areas/youth-employment/WCMS_544350/lang--en/index.htm

An explanation of the EU youth guarantee:

<https://publications.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/ba916c4d-cc3f-4516-8255-88ab8d4f17ae/language-en/format-PDF/source-83097087>

Article on the possible consequences of youth unemployment:

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/financialcrisis/10450811/Youth-unemployment-could-tear-Europe-apart-warns-WEF.html>

The links below provide an overview of what measurements the EU has already taken:

<https://www.youthforum.org/eu-commission-announces-first-steps-tackle-long-term-unemployment-lacks-focus-youth>

<https://europeangreens.eu/content/tackling-youth-unemployment-europe>

<https://publications.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/29deb0bb-2f3d-4af5-8bfb-b54b7bf6d9d3/language-en/format-PDF/source-83097087>

The links below provide examples of what measurements certain member states have already taken:

https://www.sozialministerium.at/siteEN/Labour_Disabilities/Labour_Market/Labour_market_policy_in_Austria/Youth_and_Work_in_Austria/

<http://pdf.mutual-learning-employment.net/pdf/ind-exp-paper-germ-jun01-dietrich.pdf>

<https://jobsplus.gov.mt/resources/publication-statistics-mt-mt-en-gb/policies>