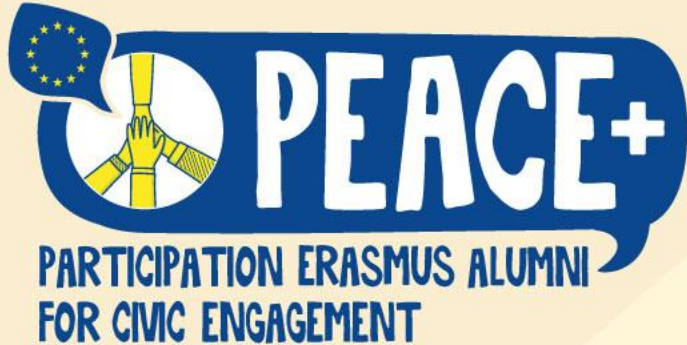




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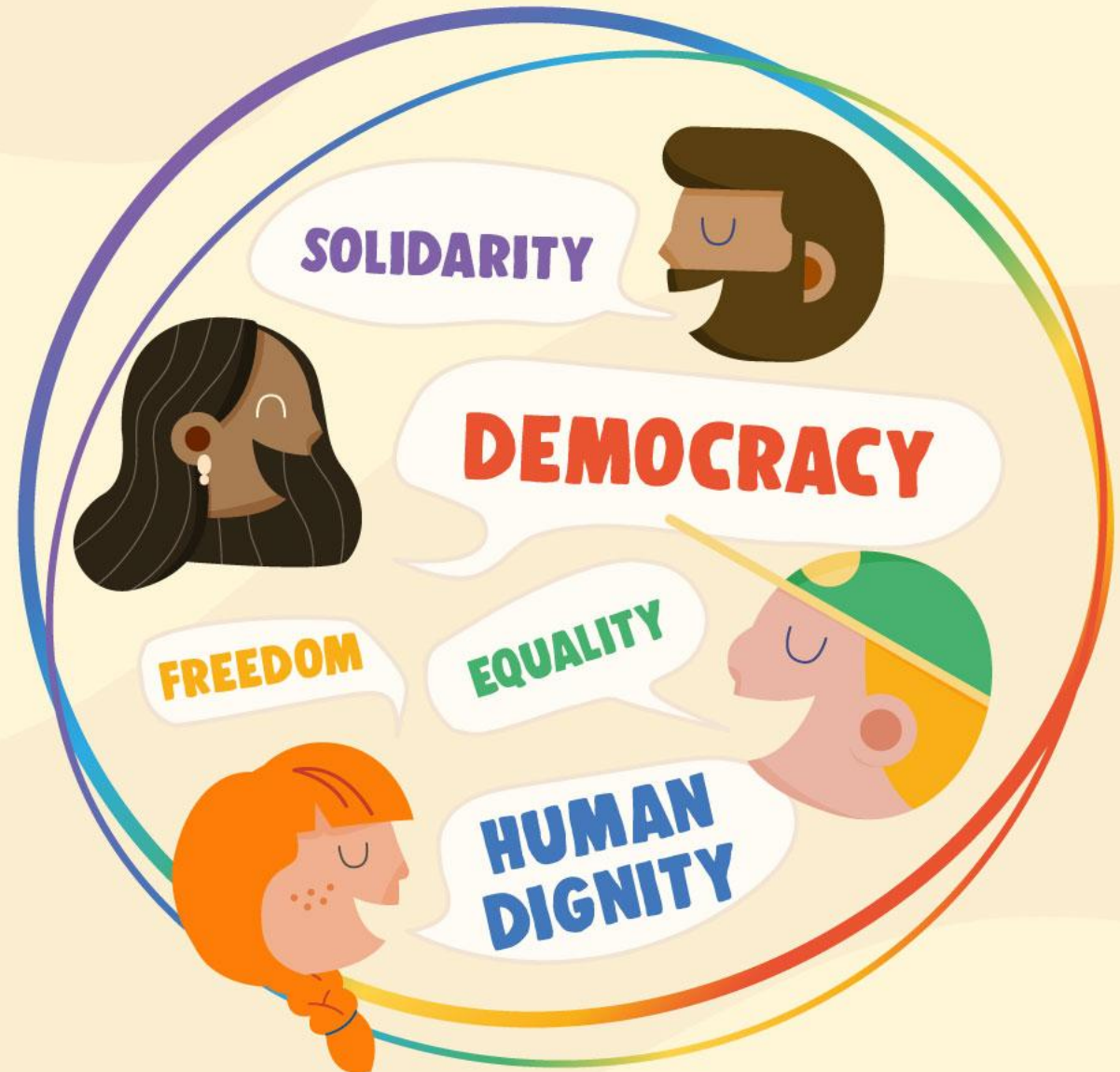


PEACE+

A long term project (2025-27) to encourage greater civic and democratic participation within the Erasmus+ community
And to promote European values

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From PEACE to PEACE+

Erasmus+ Indire NA coordinates the [PEACE+](#) project – **Participation Erasmus Alumni for Civic Engagement**, a long-term cooperation initiative focused on civic engagement, political participation and European citizenship.

- **Phase 1, PEACE (2021–2024): 11 Erasmus+ National Agencies involved:** Belgium, Latvia, the Czech Republic, Portugal, France, Romania, Germany, Spain, Ireland and Sweden.
- **Phase 2, PEACE+ (2025–2027): 21 Agencies involved (the double),** with a focus on European values and a sense of belonging to the EU.

Objectives:

- **to strengthen the sense of belonging to the European Union;**
- **to raise awareness of the active role of citizens** in the green and digital transitions and in social inclusion;
- **to create synergies between networks** of Erasmus+ alumni, ambassadors and role models, starting at local level;
- to improve knowledge of the opportunities offered by the Programme and encourage the participation of new beneficiaries.

LTA PEACE+ 2025-2027

A wider and stronger European cooperation

PEACE+ now brings together 21 Erasmus+ National Agencies, double the 11 that participated in the first phase



PEACE 2021 -2024 – activities and achievements

- **12 European TCA seminars** organised by various partner Erasmus+ National Agencies
- **80 thematic focus group**
- **Over 1,000 participants from 23 different countries: Ambassadors, Alumni, Networks**
- All sectors of the Programme
- **Online training modules**
- **PARTICIPATION IN EUROPE**

- **5 Research Reports**
- **Survey with over 3,000 responses from across Europe**



Erasmus goes to town activity

A dialogue on Erasmus+ mobility and Civic participation

Torino, Napoli, Malmö, Siviglia, Trieste, Gent, Cluj-Napoca

- Over 50 schools and educational centres visited
- Around 400 European Ambassadors and Alumni involved
- Around 3,500 pupils, students and teachers met



Topics of “Participate in Europe” e-modules

Module 1

The European elections, what is at stake?

Module 2

History and Institutions of the EU

Module 3

Engagement and Democratic innovation

Module 4

Diversity in Europe and European citizenship education

FREE AND
AVAILABLE ONLINE



LTA PEACE 2022-24: final report



Studies, results, ideas
and proposals
from the **European
alumni network
involved in the long-
term European PEACE
project** on active
participation
(December 2024)

DOWNLOAD

https://www.erasmusplus.it/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/report_finale_PEACE_2024.pdf



PEACE+ project developments 2025-2027

In line with the results of the PEACE project, the European Commission is supporting its continuation through PEACE+, building on previous best practices and broadening the scope of the outcomes to be achieved.

The project aims to:

Place a particular emphasis on reaching hesitant citizens and inspiring young people to take an active role in the democratic life of the European Union.

Develop and integrate the various networks of Erasmus+ beneficiaries and ambassadors (WP2)

Increase communication (WP4), training (WP3) and outreach activities

Continue research activities (WP5) into issues relating to civic engagement

PEACE+ NETWORKS:

ongoing activities with a group of 14 National Agencies

from Erasmus+ opportunity Ambassadors to Ambassadors for Citizenship and Values

- **Mapping** of existing networks with which each Agency works or which have been set up by National Agencies;
- **Sharing** of best practices among National Agencies;
- **Strengthening** and expanding existing networks;
- **New calls**, e.g. Erasmus Orchestra, Long-term student mobility in schools;
- **Support** for Agencies wishing to set up a network of Ambassadors
- **Training**;
- **Creating synergies** between different networks at national and European level;
- Development of activities related to PEACE+ themes.

Network activities: information, dissemination, experiences and local debate



Erasmus+ School Ambassadors



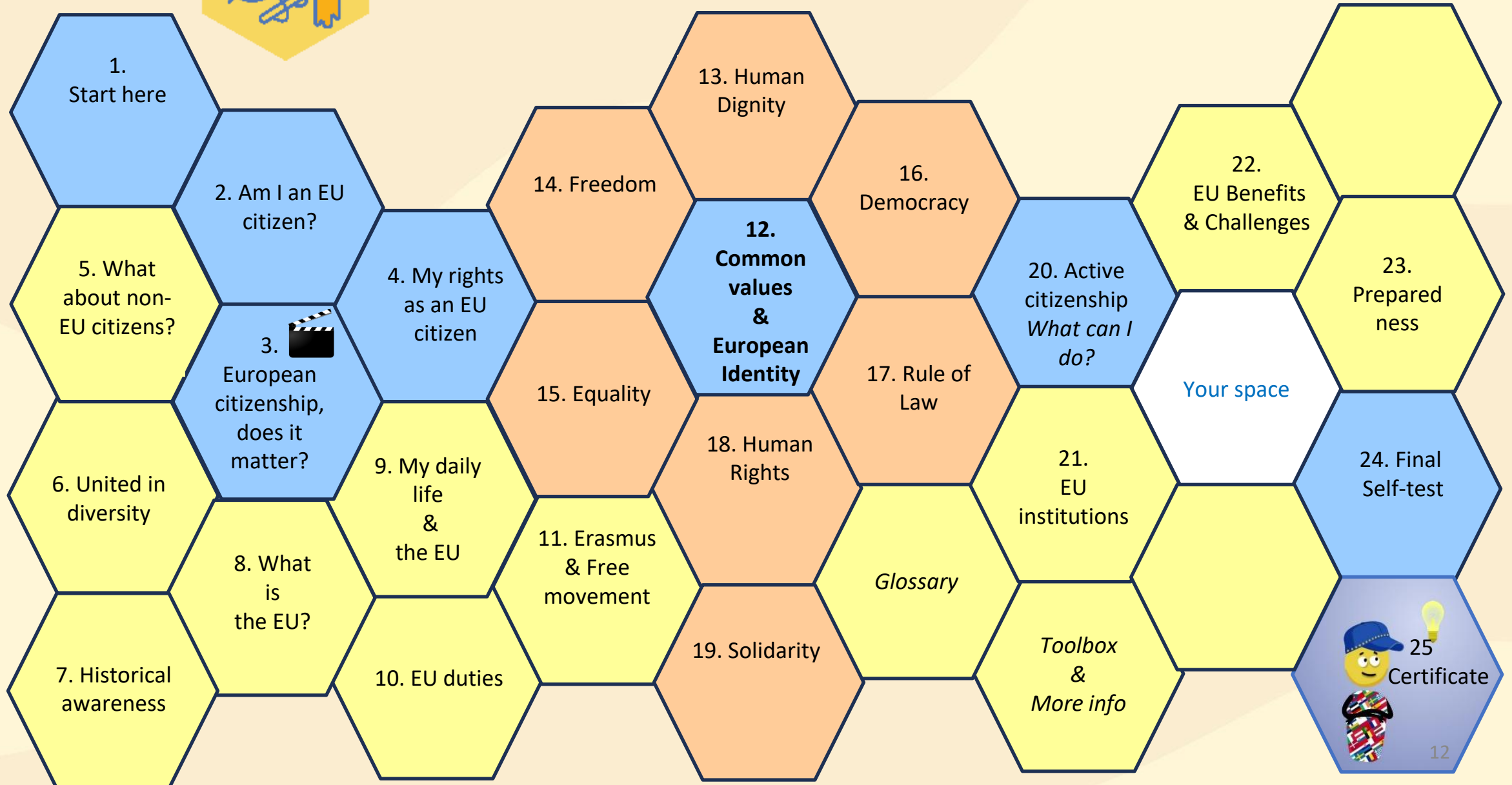
Erasmus+ Adult Education Ambassadors

PEACE+ Training (in cooperation with Epos NA, Belgium): development of a training programme on European citizenship education

- Creation of a **task force composed of PEACE+ national agencies** to develop interactive, online training modules on European values, citizenship, European identity and democratic participation;
- Training Platform: development of an online platform;
- Two pilot units developed (Introduction, Equality);
- Test phase launched (university students, task force staff);
- The European Commission is interested in developing the training programme on a centralised basis.

Networks can also play a crucial role in the testing phase of new training modules

Erasmus+ Interactive Learning Module: European citizenship and common values



PEACE+ Communication: New communication projects for 2026–2027

- **Graphic novel**

A collaborative Graphic novel on the theme of civic engagement, created by young artists from various European countries. It will be presented by 2026.

- **Docufilm on Eu Values**

A short film featuring true stories of inclusion, based on European values, from various regions.

- **Eu Diaries: a day in Europe**

A video series featuring stories from within European institutions, various NGOs and media, through interviews with young people working in these organisations, who describe their typical day, including the challenges, dreams, opportunities and reflections on the future they face.

**Networks can also play a crucial role in promoting new products
across regions and within Erasmus communities**

A new website dedicated to the PEACE+ project (soon online)

In the meantime, a dedicated [PAGE](#) for the project has been created on the Erasmus Italian website

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Participation Erasmus Alumni for Civic Engagement

Empowering citizens, shaping Europe

Erasmus people together to boost democratic participation and develop critical thinking

Discover PEACE+
The Long Term Activity among Erasmus+ National Agencies to strengthen civic engagement and participation in Europe

What's new
The latest activities and initiatives currently under development

Let's meet in Europe
Discover the roadmap of events organized by Erasmus+ National Agencies under the PEACE+ project

A SUCCESSFUL PEACE+ COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN ON EUROPE DAY 2025: #EUvalYOU

2 short videos made with the contribution of **10 NAs** Shared on May 9^o and in Florence Festival of Europe:

- [VIDEO1 - What does Europe represent for you?](#)
- [VIDEO 2 - What do you wish o expect from Europa today](#)



PEACE+ Research:

Ongoing and planned activities



Core activities

- The Work plan of WP5 foresees:
 1. MAPPING: Mapping/stock-taking of projects on EU values, democracy, citizens' assemblies, participatory democracy, deliberative democracy, youth engagement, youth participation, democratic innovation, civil society, and citizenship, as well as European citizenship education).
 2. PARTICIPANTS' VIEWS: Develop quantitative/qualitative research projects (preferably with colleagues/experts of other countries/agencies) on democratic attitudes, perceptions, subjectivities, knowledge, and forms of engagement of Erasmus participants. Develop component regarding digital democracy, digital participation, online instruments.

Results so far

- The team of researchers is completing an extensive *database* and a *report*, selecting the most relevant and promising projects on participation, highlighting core results relevant for PEACE+ and recommending potential actions in PEACE+
- An extensive *survey* is being prepared, aiming at a young audience, focusing on views on participation (obstacles, interest, usefulness/efficacy), perceptions of democracy, perceptions of European democracy, Eurosceptic, conservative, populist views

PEACE+ events roadmap (TCA) - 2025

2025



PEACE+ Kick off meeting

25 February 2025

INDIRE | Florence - Italy



Participation in Civic
Engagement and green Actions

8-11th April 2025

Cluj-Napoca - Romania



Erasmus+ as a Path to Global
Citizenship Education

17-19th September 2025

Bratislava - Slovakia



Promoting Civic and
Democratic Engagement in Higher
Education

29 Sept - 1 October 2025

Gdynia - Poland



TCA for kindergarten
teachers

8-10 October 2025

Tallin – Estonia



Strengthening EU Values through Digital
Participation

28-30 October 2025

Riga – Latvia



Democratic Life & Inclusion

18-21 November 2025

Crete - Greece



Encouraging active citizenship
and commitment through
students' promotion of European
values

27-29 November 2025

Hamburg - Germany

PEACE+ events roadmap (TCA) - 2026-2027

2026



Participation in Action!

23-25 June 2026

Valencia – Spain



*Harmony for Europe:
civic engagement and
EU values through Erasmus+*
8–11 September 2026

Leuven - Belgium



PEACE+ Networks (TBD)

14-17 december 2026

Rome - Italy

2027



TBD

2027

Vienna – Austria



Visit to European institutions

TBD 2027

Bruxelles | Belgium (BE01)



Thank you for your kind attention!

(PS: Freedom is participation)