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Active Citizenship Education in Europe

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Introduction

“In the beginning was the deed.”

-Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, Faust



“Active citizenship is the glue that keeps society together.”
- The European Union



- **European identity and European identity crisis**
- **Concept of Active Citizenship**
- **Definition of Active Citizenship**

“Active citizenship is the ability for political and societal participation: the knowledge, skills, and self-confidence to participate in one’s own environment and society and to influence the organization of society.”



Active Citizenship Education in Europe

“Education is the point at which we decide whether we love the world enough to assume **responsibility** for it”

-Hannah Arendt

- **ET 2020 Framework**
- **Erasmus +**
- **Horizon 2020**



European strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training (ET 2020 Framework)

Education is the foundation for personal fulfillment, employability, and active and responsible citizenship.

Erasmus +

Strengthening citizens' understanding of the European Union from an early age through formal and informal learning.

Enhancing the citizens' understanding of the European Union and foster a sense of belonging.

Promoting active citizenship and civic engagement in lifelong learning.

Horizon 2020

The financial arm of the Innovation Union to advance the European Research Area with an inclusive approach that accelerates project initiation and fosters collaboration across Europe.

Active Citizenship in Comprehensive Education

in Europe

- **Paris Declaration**
- **Education, Youth, Culture, and Sport Council**
- **Eurydice**
- **International Civic and Citizenship Education Study (ICCS)**
 - **ICCS 2009**
 - **ICCS 2016**
 - **ICCS 2022**
- **CATCH-EyoU project**



Paris Declaration

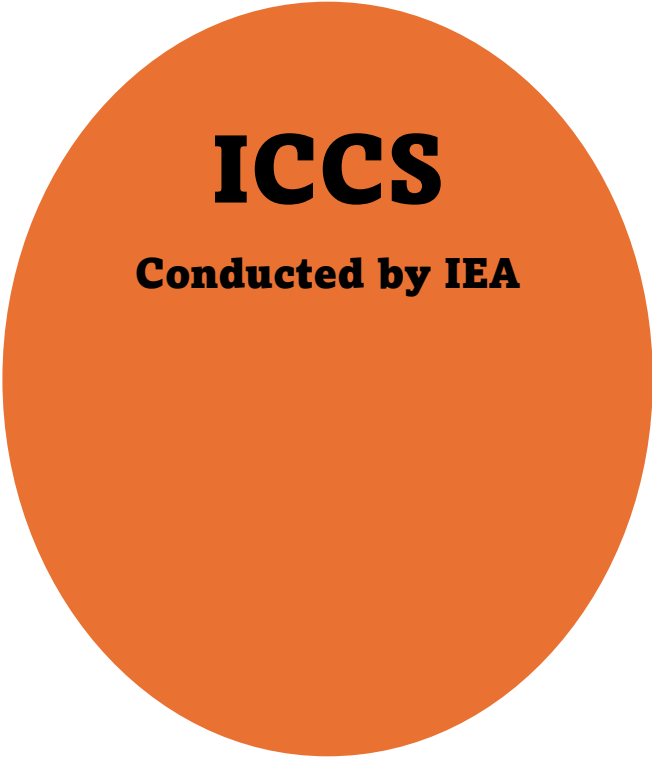
EU is instructed and encouraged to ensure the sharing of ideas and good practices while ensuring that children and young people acquire social, civic, and intercultural competences by promoting democratic values and fundamental rights, social inclusion, and non-discrimination, as well as active citizenship.

Education, Youth, Culture, and Sport Council

Demand education to play its part in preventing radicalization by promoting citizenship and fostering social inclusion, and common European values such as tolerance and mutual respect.

Eurydice

Supports students in becoming active, informed, and responsible citizens, who are willing and able to take responsibility for themselves and for their communities at the national, European, and international level.



ICCS

Conducted by IEA

ICCS 2009

Examined the ways in which education prepares young people to become citizens.

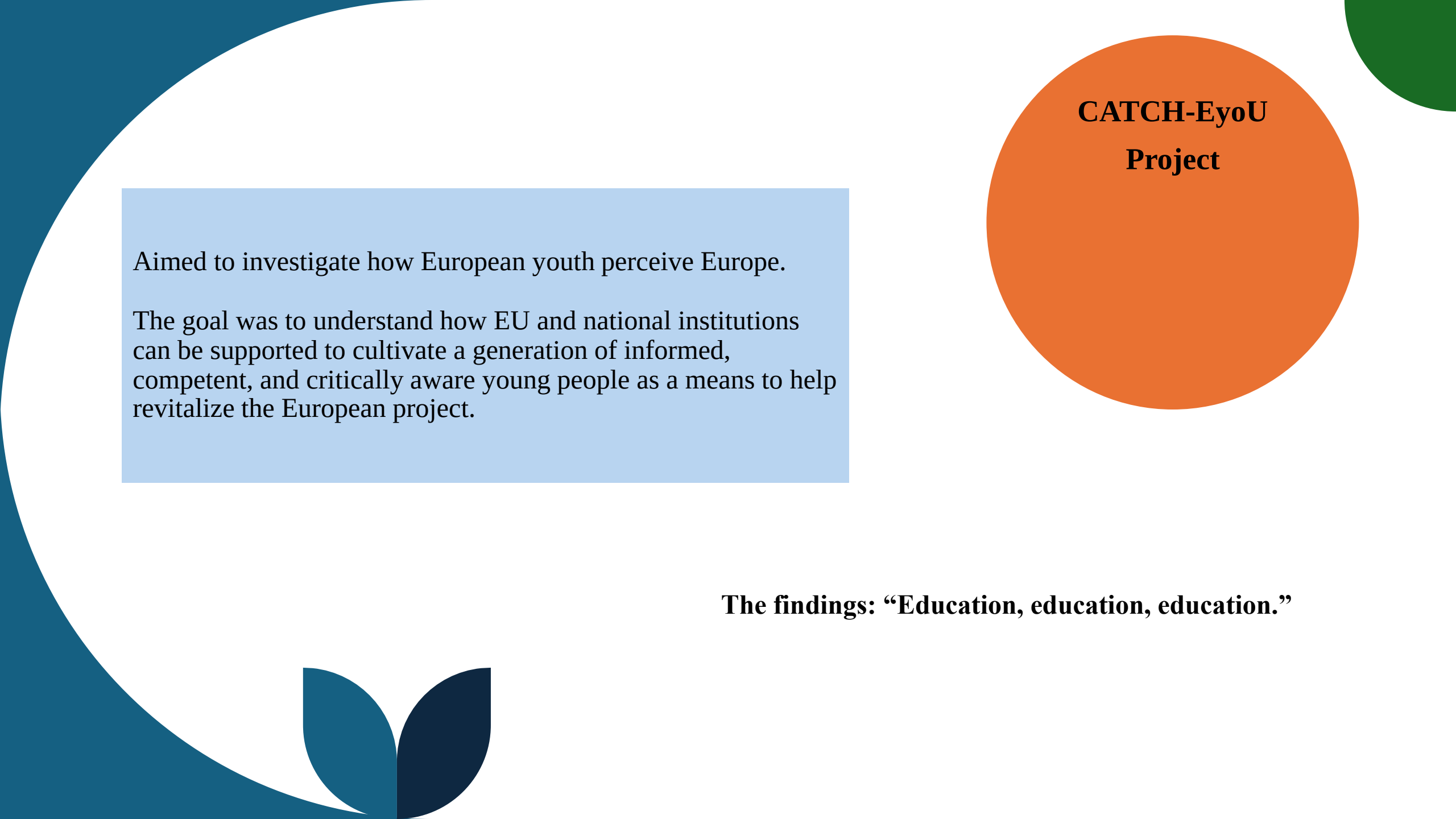
ICCS 2016

Focused on affective and behavioral domains including students' sense of European identity.

ICCS 2022

Examining students' attitudes, perceptions, and behaviors on European-specific civic and citizenship issues.





CATCH-EyoU Project

Aimed to investigate how European youth perceive Europe.

The goal was to understand how EU and national institutions can be supported to cultivate a generation of informed, competent, and critically aware young people as a means to help revitalize the European project.

The findings: “Education, education, education.”

Active Citizenship in Higher Education

- Identity Formation and Agency
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)
- Active Citizenship and Civic Growth

Conclusion



"The greatest gift we can give our children are the roots of *responsibility* and the wings of *independence*."

-Maria Montessori

EPRS

Citizenship education has emerged as a priority within EU education policies, aiming to empower young individuals to cultivate self-awareness and active participation within their communities.

It is imperative to monitor and evaluate Member States' efforts in promoting citizenship education to ensure its effective integration into educational systems.

ACT

'The best Citizenship education empowers children and enables them to truly understand and experience what it means to be an active citizen who is prepared to speak out, challenge inequality, and make a positive difference in their communities and the wider world'

