

# Youth Sector Development Plan 2021–2035

## VISION:

**Overall goal: A wide variety of development opportunities, a sense of security, and strong support for young people create an Estonian state that they wish to further.**

## MAJOR CHANGES:

Development of a youth talent policy  
 Systematic implementation of a youth sector monitoring and analysis system  
 Introducing the transfer to compulsory professional qualification  
 Strengthening youth-oriented solutions (including support and safety networks)

## INDICATOR:

**BASELINE LEVEL: TARGET LEVEL:**

**The trust of young people in their state (%)**

**56%**

**70%**



## MOMENTUM

Young people are the creative **momentum** driving the society onwards – the drivers and leaders in the fields of education, culture, economy, the environment, and so on.

### Courses of action

- 1.1. Considering young people and the ideas and solutions they offer
- 1.2. Discovering and developing the talents and strengths of young people
- 1.3. Supporting the entrepreneurship, creativity, and ideas of young people

### Indicators

- Per cent of non-profit associations run by 18–26-year-olds
- Per cent of 7–26-year-olds studying in hobby schools
- The number of youth-led projects (including the ratio of funded projects)
- Per cent of 18–26-year-old entrepreneurs



## PARTICIPATION

The protection of youth rights in the state is consistent and active youth **participation** is supported.

### Courses of action

- 2.1. Creating the prerequisites for an increased trust in and commitment to the state by young people
- 2.2. The participation of young people and listening to their opinion on all levels of governance
- 2.3. Empowering the civic participation of young people

### Indicators

- The number of participation formats
- Per cent of local governments that have a functioning youth council
- Per cent of 18–26-year-old candidates at local elections
- The ratio of 15–26-year-olds participating in organised volunteer work



## INDEPENDENCE

Quality youth work (including hobby education for young people) is available across Estonia and provides all young people with opportunities for **versatile self-development, experiencing success, acquiring experience, and gaining independence.**

### Courses of action

- 3.1. Ensuring the availability of quality youth work
- 3.2. Consistently supporting the development of youth work
- 3.3. Facilitating the development of the competences of youth workers and the interest in the profession

### Indicators

- Per cent of local governments with an advanced level of youth work\*
- The satisfaction of young people with youth work services

\*on the basis of the [minuomavalitsus.fin.ee](http://minuomavalitsus.fin.ee) indicators



## SECURITY

The exclusion and detachment of young people is noticed and prevented through a safety network that increases a sense of **security.**

### Courses of action

- 4.1. Providing young people necessary support and equal opportunities
- 4.2. Reducing the risk of exclusion and detachment of young people
- 4.3. Understanding the causes of young people's risk behaviour and the risk of exclusion; designing services based on the real needs of young people

### Indicators

- Per cent of 15–26-year-olds who evaluate support as available
- Ratio (%) of 15–29-year-olds not in education, employment or training (young people with NEET status\*)

\*NEET – not in education, employment or training

# Indicators

Objective	Indicator	Baseline level	Target level
<p><b>MOMENTUM</b></p> <p>Young people are the creative momentum driving the society onwards – the drivers and leaders in the fields of education, culture, economy, the environment and so on.</p> <p><b>Courses of action</b></p> <p>1.1. Considering young people and the ideas and solutions they offer</p> <p>1.2. Discovering and developing the talents and strengths of young people</p> <p>1.3. Supporting the entrepreneurship, creativity, and ideas of young people</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ratio (%) of non-profit associations among all active non-profit associations run by 18–26-year-olds</li> <li>Ratio (%) of young people studying in hobby schools of all 7–26-year-olds</li> <li>The number of youth-led projects (including the % of funded projects)</li> <li>Ratio (%) of young entrepreneurs among all 18–26-year-olds</li> </ol>	<p>4,2</p> <p>29,9</p> <p>164 (71)</p> <p>3,8</p>	<p>8</p> <p>35</p> <p>200 (75)</p> <p>10</p>
<p><b>PARTICIPATION</b></p> <p>The protection of youth rights in the state is consistent and active youth participation is supported.</p> <p><b>Courses of action</b></p> <p>2.1. Creating the prerequisites for an increased trust in and commitment to the state by young people</p> <p>2.2. The participation of young people and listening to their opinion on all levels of governance</p> <p>2.3. Empowering the civic participation of young people</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of participation formats</li> <li>Ratio (%) of local governments out of all local governments that have a functioning youth council</li> <li>Ratio (%) of 18–26-year-old candidates out of the total number of candidates at the local government council elections</li> <li>Ratio (%) of 15–26-year-olds who have participated in organised volunteer work</li> </ol>	<p>79</p> <p>89,9</p> <p>6,5</p> <p>to be specified</p>	<p>maintain the reference level</p> <p>maintain the reference level</p> <p>13</p> <p>to be specified</p>
<p><b>INDEPENDENCE</b></p> <p>Quality youth work (including hobby education for young people) is available across Estonia and provides all young people with opportunities for versatile self-development, experiencing success, acquiring experience, and gaining independence.</p> <p><b>Courses of action</b></p> <p>3.1. Ensuring the availability of quality youth work</p> <p>3.2. Consistently supporting the development of youth work</p> <p>3.3. Facilitating the development of the competences of youth workers and the interest in the profession</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ratio (%) of local governments with at least an 'advanced' level of youth work services</li> <li>Satisfaction rate of young people with youth work services (%)</li> </ol>	<p>59</p> <p>87</p>	<p>75</p> <p>90</p>
<p><b>SECURITY</b></p> <p>The exclusion and detachment of young people is noticed and prevented through a safety network that increases a sense of security.</p> <p><b>Courses of action</b></p> <p>4.1. Providing young people necessary support and equal opportunities</p> <p>4.2. Reducing the risk of exclusion and detachment of young people</p> <p>4.3. Understanding the causes of young people's risk behaviour and the risk of exclusion; designing services based on the real needs of young people</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ratio (%) of 15–26-year-olds who evaluate support as available</li> <li>Ratio (%) of 15–29-year-olds not in education, employment, or training (NEET-youth)</li> </ol>	<p>to be specified</p> <p>9,8</p>	<p>to be specified</p> <p>8,5</p>