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Mass-unemployment as a systemic threat for the future of Europe, democracy and human rights

Motion for a resolution

several Assembly members

This motion has not been discussed in the Assembly and commits only those who have signed it

In more than five Council of Europe member States, more than one third of all the young men and women under the age of 25, although they have finished school, studies or another vocational training, are without any employment. They are desperate. Their chance to find a satisfactory job in the coming months is very small.

This situation is a “sleeping” bomb. Because what our societies do to these young people expectations and because their future is violence, their chances in life are limited. These young people will never accept this situation forever. Furthermore, this violence undermines all our values. When a democracy cannot guarantee a decent future to so many young people, they will lose their belief and their confidence in democracy and will look for other ways to defend their interests.

That is why the Parliamentary Assembly should elaborate a report analysing the size of the existential difficulties of the young people in the Council of Europe's member States, exploring their causes and consequences, and developing propositions on ways to overcome them.

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