



Recommendation 2002 (2012)¹

Final version

The young generation sacrificed: social, economic and political implications of the financial crisis

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly, referring to its [Resolution 1885 \(2012\)](#) on the young generation sacrificed: social, economic and political implications of the financial crisis, urges the Committee of Ministers to bring this resolution to the attention of member States, in particular on the occasion of the 9th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Youth (Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation, 23-25 September 2012) and the World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 5-11 October 2012), including the Youth Assembly (5-7 October 2012), and to promote its implementation.
2. Moreover, the Assembly asks the Committee of Ministers to assist member States in modernising their legal and institutional systems in as much as they relate to youth policies, in order to enhance European co-operation and the effectiveness of mechanisms towards fostering youth access to the socio-economic rights and opportunities enshrined in the European Convention on Human Rights (ETS No. 5) and the revised European Social Charter (ETS No. 163).
3. The Assembly also recommends that the Committee of Ministers:
 - 3.1. accelerate the consideration of the draft recommendation to member States on the access to social rights for young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods, with a view to adopting it and presenting it to the ministers responsible for youth during their conference in Saint Petersburg;
 - 3.2. consider again the proposal to draft a European framework convention on the rights of young people, as proposed by the Assembly, in its [Recommendation 1978 \(2011\)](#) Towards a European framework convention on youth rights, and the various European youth organisations;
 - 3.3. closely involve the European Centre for Global Interdependence and Solidarity (North-South Centre) and the Council of Europe Development Bank in promoting youth-oriented policies and capacity-building measures, not least in the framework of the Council of Europe Neighbourhood Policy in southern and eastern Mediterranean countries;
 - 3.4. urge the youth sector and the Social Cohesion and Diversity Department to prepare proposals for further joint programmes with the European Union aimed at improving access to social, economic and political rights by young people.

1. Assembly debate on 26 June 2012 (21st and 22nd Sittings) (see [Doc. 12951](#), report of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, rapporteur: Mr Volonté; and [Doc. 12974](#), opinion of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, rapporteur: Mr Jakič). Text adopted by the Assembly on 26 June 2012 (22nd Sitting).

