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(1) What is "Spotlight Europe"?

"Spotlight Europe" is the official blog of the "My Europe" network and a place for all young Europeans to share and discuss ideas about the future of Europe. This blog encourages dialogue between all young people in Europe as well as experts from politics, media, academia and business. "Spotlight Europe" acts as a young information platform and meeting point. For young people who care about Europe! For you!



(2) Why do we need "Spotlight Europe"?

Especially today different opinions are needed to shape the discussions about current and future challenges for the EU. It is particular important to give young Europeans an authentic and real voice because some day in the near future they will face the consequences of the decisions made today.

"Spotlight Europe" is a vast source of information about the EU and carrier of messages to each of us. It is a blog reflecting your own, the European and human diversity by the variety and creativity of its authors and contributions.



(3) How can I participate?

Maybe while reading this an idea has formed already in your mind! Then grab your computer and write down what bothers you about Europe. A blog post consists of 400 – 600 words.

General Requirements:

- You should be between 15 30 years old.
- Your contribution should be written in English.
- Your text shows your own attitude/opinion. Plagiarism of any kind is unwanted and forbidden.
- Make sure possible readers can follow you and choose a good argumentation.
- You can decide on the media you want to work with: Article, poetry, video or art work - everything is possible as long as it has something to do with Europe.
- All contributions should be authored in the spirit of a solidly united, peaceful Europe. Critical analyses are encouraged.

Check the website for a first impression. Then send your article per mail as a word or as pdf file.



(4) What could be a good topic to start with?

Anything that comes to your mind about Europe seems to be a good point to start with! You have heard something in the news and want to do more research? Great! You have an opinion that you want to share? We are looking forward to it!

Have a look at the blog to see which topics have been written about so far. There are five different blog categories: Politics, Business, Culture, Environment and Knowledge. Maybe you feel inspired by one post or category.

Here are already some inspirations for topics:

- What would you like to change in Europe and why?
- What means European identity to you?
- What would you like other young people to know about Europe?
- What impressed you?
- Did you participate at an event or a discussion? Did you meet a politician? Did you live in another country for a time?
- How do you see Europe in the world?
- Why is Europe especially important for young people?
- Would you like to do an interview with someone and are looking for support and publication possibilities?



(5) Where do I find more information?

More information is available at the blog:

www.spotlighteurope.eu/call-forcontributions/

Please feel free to contact us any time:

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(6) When will my article be published?

As soon as we have had a look at your text, we will inform you by mail if it is going to be published. If necessary we will do some minor grammar corrections and send the text back to you for your agreement. Also we are asking you to send us a short description and a picture of yourself. Then we will let you know when your article is being published on the website as well as on our Facebook site.

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