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To youth organisations cooperating with the Council of Europe youth sector

We are pleased to inform you that the process for applications for activities to be held in co-operation with the European Youth Centres in the first semester of 2019 is now open. These activities concern, for the main part, study sessions and "special projects". The specific conditions and criteria for the activities are appended to this message, together with an application form.

The programme of activities for 2019 will be run according to the expected results decided by the Joint Council on Youth for the biennium 2018-2019. Accordingly, we invite you to submit proposals for activities falling within the following expected results:

1. **Access to rights:** Young people and youth organisations have been supported in accessing their rights and advocating human rights and citizenship education.
2. **Youth participation and youth work:** Youth organisations and member States have been supported in developing youth policy and youth work for democratic participation of young people.
3. **Inclusive and peaceful societies:** Youth workers and youth organisations have been supported in their work on peace-building and intercultural dialogue to prevent and combat discrimination, exclusion and violent extremism.

More details about specific issues addressed under each priority can be found at www.coe.int/youth and in the application form.

For the Council of Europe, study sessions represent an important way of associating young people to our youth policy mission and a concrete means of support to youth organisations and networks, notably by covering the costs of the activity and providing educational support.

Youth organisations and networks intending to apply for a study session for the first semester of 2019 should send their application by **1 April 2018** to eyc.studysessions@coe.int.


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