

FICHE AMENDEMENT

Proposition d'amendement à l'Article III-177 (ex Article 149)

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EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, YOUTH AND SPORT

Article III-177 (ex Article 149)

2. Union action shall be aimed at:

- (a) developing the European dimension in education, particularly through the teaching and dissemination of the languages of the Member States;
 - (b) encouraging mobility of students and teachers, inter alia by encouraging the academic recognition of diplomas and periods of study;
 - (c) promoting cooperation between educational establishments;
 - (d) developing exchanges of information and experience on issues common to the education systems of the Member States;
 - (e) **developing European cooperation in the field of youth, aiming to increase the active participation of young people in European public life, through civil society, youth organisations and associations and to enhance intercultural understanding, inter alia by encouraging the development of youth exchanges and of exchanges of socio-educational instructors;**
 - (f) encouraging the development of distance education;
 - (g) developing the European dimension in sport, by promoting fairness in competitions and cooperation between sporting bodies and by protecting the physical and moral integrity of sportsmen and sportswomen, especially young sportsmen and sportswomen.
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Explication éventuelle:

- It is necessary to encourage the active citizenship of young people in order to sustain democracy and social cohesion. Civil society organisations, in particular youth organisations, provide arenas for young people to participate.
- The Laeken declaration highlighted the need to find ways to reconnect the citizens, in particular the young, with the European Union and its institutions. This should find its reflection in a

consolidated treaty basis for action that strives to involve young people in the EU project.

- The amendment would also reflect the objectives of part I regarding representative democracy and participatory democracy and ensure that these concepts are brought to life for the young citizens.
- The Union's policies already today have a significant impact on the lives of many millions of young citizens. A consolidated and clearer treaty article would provide for more coherence and transparency and would ensure that the EU's policies in the field are based on the expectations and needs of the young.
- Intercultural awareness and understanding are becoming basic life skills in Europe's more and more multi-ethnic societies, transnational labour markets within a globalised economy. They are also important for building a transnational democracy.