





#### Circular 8/2025

# 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Subject: Enhance Your Skills Recognition: Complete Your YouthPass and Explore Europass

Dear Erasmus+ Youth Project Coordinators,

We are reaching out to remind all Erasmus+ Youth beneficiaries about the importance of **YouthPass** and to encourage you to support your final participants in completing it.

#### What is YouthPass?

YouthPass is the official European recognition tool for non-formal learning within Erasmus+ Youth projects. It allows participants to **document**, **reflect on**, **and recognise the skills and competencies they have developed** during their mobility activities, such as youth exchanges, volunteering, or training courses.

### **Introducing Europass**

Europass is a wider EU initiative designed to make skills and qualifications clearly and easily understood across Europe. Through Europass, learners and workers can present their qualifications, experiences, and skills in a structured format that is recognised across countries and sectors.

## Why it matters:

- Recognition of Learning: YouthPass offers young people the possibility to recognise their skills and competence development because of their participation in Youth sector projects through a structured process focused on non-formal and informal learning. This process is often supported and guided by the youth workers, project coordinators, or group leaders, who can help participants reflect on their learning and identifying how to present this in their YouthPass certificate.
- **Transparency and Mobility:** Europass helps participants communicate their skills and qualifications when applying for further education, training, or employment opportunities across Europe.
- **Personal Development:** Both YouthPass and Europass encourage participants to reflect on their learning journey, boosting confidence and self-awareness.
- **Employability:** YouthPass certificates can be linked to Europass to highlight skills gained during Erasmus+ mobility, giving participants formal recognition for nonformal and informal learning. Documented skills in areas such as communication,



















teamwork, problem-solving, and intercultural awareness can be added to Europass CVs, making participants more competitive in the job market.

# **Action Required:**

We kindly ask all coordinators to:

- 1. Inform participants about the benefits of YouthPass and Europass.
- 2. As facilitators of learning for project participants, YouthPass coordinators are to support and guide participants in their self-reflection on competence development through the learning opportunities offered by the project, guiding participants on how to present their non-formal learning achievements through the YouthPass certificate.
- 3. Ensure all final participants **complete their YouthPass certificates** at the end of their mobility.
- 4. Encourage participants to **upload their YouthPass to Europass** to maximise recognition of their learning outcomes.

For guidance on completing YouthPass and linking it to Europass, please refer to: <u>YouthPass</u> Website and <u>Europass Portal</u>.

Thank you for your support in helping participants fully recognise and communicate the valuable skills gained through Erasmus+ Youth activities.

Your efforts make a real difference in their personal and professional development.

For further information about YouthPass, you can also contact Mr. Steven Mifsud, as the YouthPass Contact Point at EUPA, on steven.mifsud@gov.mt.

Kind regards,

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