



**Recommendation 2014 (2013)<sup>1</sup>**

Final version

## Young Europeans: an urgent educational challenge

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly, referring to its [Resolution 1930 \(2013\)](#) on young Europeans: an urgent educational challenge and its [Resolution 1929 \(2013\)](#) on culture and education through national parliaments: European policies, recommends that the Committee of Ministers urge the Steering Committee for Education Policy and Practice (CDPPE), in co-operation with the European Steering Committee for Youth (CDEJ) and the Advisory Council on Youth (CCJ) to:

1.1. prepare a policy instrument defining principles for the recognition and validation of non-formal education, taking due account of the proposals put forward by the “Strasbourg Process” on the recognition and validation of non-formal and informal learning;

1.2. collect and analyse good practices and develop on this basis policy guidelines on how to:

1.2.1. foster the spirit of entrepreneurship in education;

1.2.2. offset inequalities in access to education and prevent early school leaving;

1.2.3. combat bullying and all forms of violence at school.

2. The Assembly also recommends that the Committee of Ministers invite the Joint Council on Youth (CMJ) to develop policy measures aimed at reducing the risk of self-harm among young people.

3. The Assembly recommends that the Committee of Ministers allocate sufficient resources to education, culture and youth in the Budget and the Programme of Activities for 2014-2015, taking into account that these dimensions of work are among the main priorities of the Council of Europe and are of vital importance for 800 million Europeans.

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1. *Assembly debate* on 24 April 2013 (15th Sitting) (see [Doc. 13155](#), report of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, rapporteur: Ms Komar). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 24 April 2013 (15th Sitting).

