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Together for Recovery

WORKSHOP

October 13, 2021 - 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM
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YOUTH ENGAGEMENT for the EUROPEAN GREEN DEAL and a CARBON-NEUTRAL SOCIETY with HYDROGEN

The workshop will bring together different players to discuss ways of involving young people in policy change, in particular looking at the energy transition – one of the policy areas highlighted in the Interreg Youth Manifesto. At the core of the European Green Deal lies the need to fight climate change. Hydrogen technologies are an important part of the overall solution for meeting the 2050 climate-neutrality goal of the European Green Deal. The involvement and support of the younger generation is essential in order to increase confidence in and acceptance of these new technologies. We will bring together local and regional authorities, industry and business sectors and young people to learn from each other and see the impact that young people can have. The possibilities, as well as best practices, will be presented at the session. Attendees will also have the opportunity to state their views.

Workshop Agenda:

Introduction to the workshop by the moderators, *Ana Nikolov, ICBC Institute Director*, together with *Mirela Atanasiu, Head of Unit Operations and Communications, FCH JU*

Discover the energy of hydrogen:

Teaching fuel cells and hydrogen in schools - *FCHgo Project, Tiziana Altiero*

Educational material for university students - *TeachHy Project, Robert Steinberger-Wilckens*

Youth Empowerment for a Just Transition; *Sylvia Borkowska, Policy Officer at DG REGIO*

Intergenerational Decision-making for Sustainable Policy Change; *Claudia Singer, Coordinator of Priority Area 10, EU Strategy for the Danube Region*

Citizens' Engagement Activities by Youth for Environmental Policies; *Barbara Favaro, former IVY volunteer, Project Officer, The Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions*

PAMINA Cross-Border Youth Actions for Climate Protection; *Victoria Hansen, Project Manager Youth, Culture, Environment and Sports, EGTC Eurodistrict PAMINA*

Testimonial Videos:

Collage of short statements from young people involved in the process of developing the Interreg Youth Manifesto on addressing climate change issues for a better future

Collage of short statements from IVY volunteers on what needs to be improved to empower youth engagement for the European Green Deal

Video testimonial from the Winner of the international FCHgo Award

Q&A session

