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# EUROPEAN MANIFESTO

SUSTAINABLE CITIES  
AND COMMUNITIES

## **WE, THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF EUROPE**

want our voices to be heard. The world we live in and future generations urgently need to be protected from corruption, lack of transparency, ignorance, irresponsible consumption and climate change. These threats are so critical that only if we are all united can we resist and point out viable more sustainable alternatives. Sustainable development demands that we all engage with others.

We discussed together with local authorities, teachers and NGOs, and agreed on how we can all be part of this necessary change.

We need to be taken seriously and have our voices heard.

### **IN RELATION TO SDG 11 "SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES" WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO:**

#### **TARGET 11.1 HOUSING**

Ensure consultation with relevant stakeholders and guarantee that processes are transparent and inclusive.

#### **TARGET 11.2 TRANSPORT**

Provide incentives for alternative urban transport such as electric vehicles.

#### **TARGET 11.3 SUSTAINABLE URBANISATION**

Make sustainable development education compulsory and ensure opportunities for dialogue between local authorities and young people concerning urbanization issues in their communities.

#### **TARGET 11.4 CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE**

Reduce the impact of neglect on natural and cultural places, and consider stronger enforcement measures. Promote responsible and sustainable tourism.

#### **TARGET 11.5 DISASTERS**

In case of disaster in the region, ensure that citizens have ready access to the information and the resources that they need. Contribute to funding for international disasters.

#### **TARGET 11.6 NEGATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF CITIES**

Use renewable energies to reduce air pollution. Improve waste management.

#### **TARGET 11.7 ACCESS TO GREEN SPACES**

Make parks and public spaces readily accessible to everybody and investigate possible funding streams to support this.

## CONCLUSION

We urgently ask stakeholders to take seriously our recommendations. We believe that we have the right to shape the future as this is our future. We need the cooperation of all to make it happen.

We are totally committed to promoting this manifesto in order to raise awareness and seek engagement in strengthening our voices across Europe.

Our aims have been endorsed by the following local authorities, teachers and NGO's participating in the creation of this Walk the Global Walk manifesto:

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