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# YOUTH POLICY LABS IN ARMENIA

# WHAT IS A YOUTH POLICY LAB?

A Youth Policy Lab is a space where young people and decision-makers meet to talk, listen, and work together on the issues that matter most to youth. Unlike a usual meeting or consultation, a Policy Lab is interactive and hands-on. It gives young people the chance to share their ideas, raise concerns, and help shape real solutions with local authorities and stakeholders.

In Armenia, 15 Youth Policy Labs were held across different communities, each bringing together 25 participants. Guided by skilled facilitators, every Lab focused on the specific challenges faced by local youth—such as education, jobs, social inclusion, or rights.

At the end of the process, young people and decision-makers co-created joint recommendations, ensuring that youth voices directly influence policies that affect their lives.



# POLICY LABS IN NUMBERS

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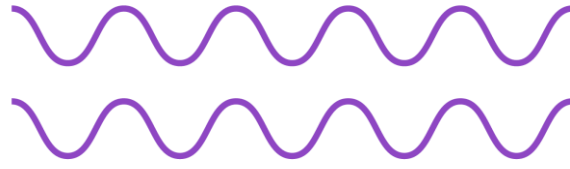


- 15 Policy Labs → 45 sets of policy recommendations
- 15 focus group discussions held before Policy Labs
- Two full-day & one half-day in-person sessions per Lab
- 350 participants in 3 cycles
- 15 communities in Armenia
- 15 facilitators from 14 organizations from YOU
- 9 regions covered in Armenia

# TOPICS COVERED



1. Disconnection between education systems and career orientation, leading to a gap in skills and workforce readiness
2. Lack of non-formal educational youth centers
3. Absence of a sustainable policy for managing stray dog populations
4. Air Pollution
5. Low Civic Participation and Youth Engagement
6. Lack of disaster preparedness in the community
7. Lack of Youth participation in local budgeting processes
8. Limited Employment and lack of Professional Development
9. Lack of accessibility to essential services for disabled people.
10. Lack of safe and leisure spaces in the community
11. Stray Dog Problem and Lack of Shelters
12. Poor Public Transportation and Infrastructure
13. Lack of effective strategies for adapting to the impacts of climate change on communities
14. Inefficient waste management systems in community
15. Lack of Meaningful Leisure and Development Opportunities



# >> Q&A



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