Our Goal
The Youth Association for a Greater Europe believes that Europe does not end at the borders of the EU, but also extends to Russia, the Balkans and other countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States. Our mission is to create de facto solidarities across Europe, regardless of political, geographical or cultural divisions. By promoting mutual understanding and dialogue across the European continent, we strive to achieve a more conscious European society, which can tackle common economic, diplomatic and social challenges together.

Recent developments have exemplified the importance of our goal; it is imperative that cooperation and friendship is promoted between our youth, the future leaders, in order to create a more collaborative political and economic atmosphere for future generations.

Our youth forum achieves this objective by enabling young people of the European Union, Russia and other countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States to get to know each other, interact and to develop cultural, economic, educational or other projects together with the help of professional coaches. These projects will be particularly inspired by the interests of our partners. The best of these projects then receive financial support, in order to allow them to be implemented. Four projects designed at our 2013 forum are under implementation today.

Our values
Respect of other opinions and other beliefs.
Constructive dialogue, i.e. listen in order to understand the interlocutor, not just in order to prove him/her wrong.
Solidarity, responsibility and benevolence, as opposed to individualism and consumerism.
Critical thinking and critical analysis of information.
Fairness and sincerity.

The Youth Association for a Greater Europe

Our partners:

Embassy of Russian Federation to France
France-Russia Friendship Group of the French Senate
Association of French-Russian Dialogue
Federal Agency of Rosstrudnichestvo
Russian Association of the Ecole des Mines

IN COOPERATION WITH:

Think Tank of the Youth Association for a Greater Europe
The Model of Democracy
The Journey of a Book
Russia for Foreigners

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10:00-10:30: Registration

10:30 – 12:30: Opening Ceremony

Mr Philippe Quéau, Assistant Director General for Social and Human Sciences of UNESCO

H. E. Mr Alexander Orlov, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Russian Federation to the French Republic

Mr Christian Poncelet, Former President of the French Senate

Mr Patrice Gélar, President of the France-Russia Friendship Group of the French Senate

Mr Alexandre Boldyrev, Deputy Permanent Delegate of the Russian Federation to UNESCO

Mr Yves Pozzo di Borgo, Vice-President of the France-Russia Friendship Group of the French Senate

Ms Chantal Guittet, President of the France-Russia Friendship Group of the French National Assembly and other partners

Brief presentation of the Youth Association for a Greater Europe and its projects

12:30 – 14:00: Reception (Japanese Garden)

Panel Discussions

14:00 – 15:30: Challenges of Cross-Cultural Communication

Mr Hugue Ngandeu Ngatta, Assistant Programme Specialist, sector of Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO

Ms Johanna Suo, Founding Member of the European Cultural Parliament Youth Network

Mr Denys Pluvinage, Representative of the Association French-Russian Dialog

Mr Tiago Ferreira Lopes, Executive Director of the Observatory for Human Security in Lisbon

Moderator: Mr Elmar Stracke, Representative of the Alumni of the German-Russian Youth Parliament

15:30 – 16:00: Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30: Dialogue—a key element to overcome international crises?

Mr Yves Pozzo di Borgo, Vice-President of the France-Russia Friendship Group of the French Senate

Mr Roger Munnings, Chairman of the Russian-British Chamber of Commerce

Mr David Teurtrie, Researcher at INALCO, Specialist on Post-Soviet space

Moderator: Ms Chloe Cramston, Member of the Youth Association for a Greater Europe, intern at the EU Delegation to the Russian Federation