

Έντυπο ΕΠ1

ΕΓΓΡΑΦΟ ΠΟΛΙΤΙΚΗΣ

Τίτλος εγγράφου: e-Voting

Οργάνωση/σεις: Συμβούλιο Νεολαίας Κύπρου

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Περίληψη – εισαγωγή: (120 – 150 λέξεις):

Based on the European Youth Conference in Estonia in October of 2017 and the fact that it was based only in the digital use and aspect of participation and by taking into consideration the Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe ([Rec\(2004\)11](#)) to its Member States regarding legal, operational and technical standards for e-voting, Cyprus Youth Council recognizes the right to vote and acknowledges the necessity to be established, especially among young voters on a political and institutionalized basis.

Cyprus Youth Council with this Policy Paper intends to establish a cooperation with its member organisations', municipalities, Universities and Start-ups that deal with block-chain in order to urge stakeholders for the adoption of online voting platforms and to make young voters familiar with e-Voting and to create a culture of e-Participation among young people.

Θέσεις πολιτικής: (σε μορφή bullet-point)

We strongly believe that representative and direct democracy is part of our common culture and is the basis of the participation of citizens in political life at European Union's level as well as at local, regional and level. Thus, an e-Voting culture will encourage and empower the participation of young people through different election-periods.

Young people aged 18-30 has been proven, especially in the case of Cyprus, that due to many reasons they choose not to vote. With e-Voting, the support of member-organisations of CYC and the support of policy-makers, CYC aims to promote e-Participation in order for Youth Participation to be more proactive and more attractive to young voters.

Cyprus Youth Council based on a strategic plan, will continuously communicate and promote, through several activities and actions, e-Voting culture in order to enhance e-Participation culture to young people, aged 18-30.

With the support and cooperation of the following actors CYC will promote e-Voting as an urging tool for active and strong participation for the Youth:

- Member-organisations of CYC
- National Youth Board
- Municipalities
- Ministries
- Start-ups
- Universities
- Local Authorities

Moreover, e-Voting has never been used before as a tool of enhancing participation. Thus, we hope that CYC will set a new era in the Youth Field, by giving new opportunities to young people, youth NGOS, youth political parties, but also a great new tool to municipalities, politicians and the government to enhance democratic beliefs and ideas.