



Youthpass: More Than a Paper

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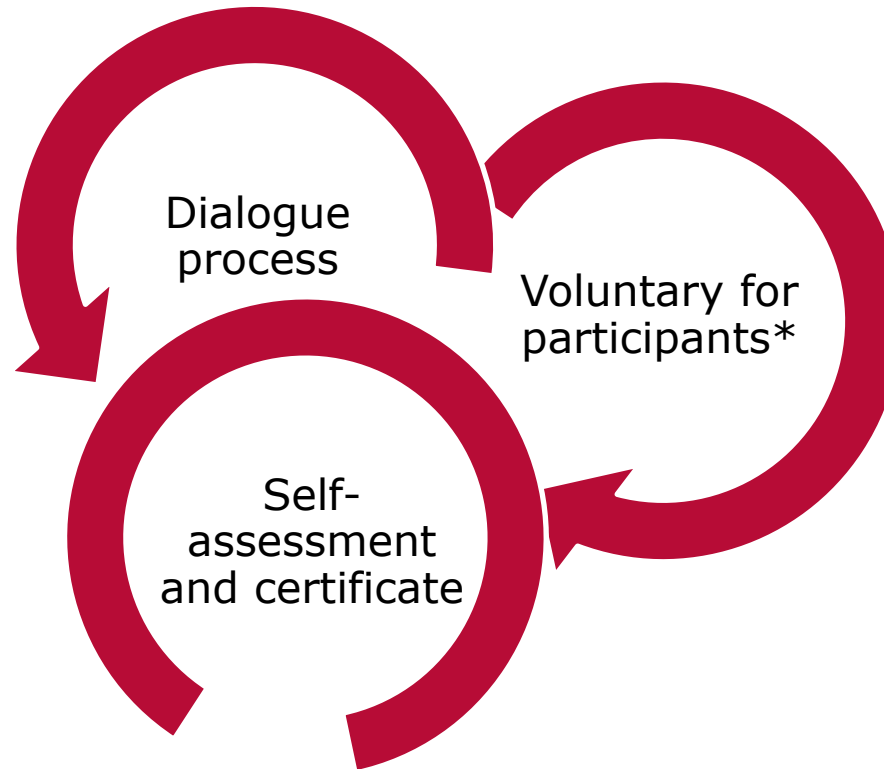
Youthpass

European instrument for participants of projects funded by the Erasmus+: Youth in Action and the European Solidarity Corps programmes: **for young people and youth workers.**



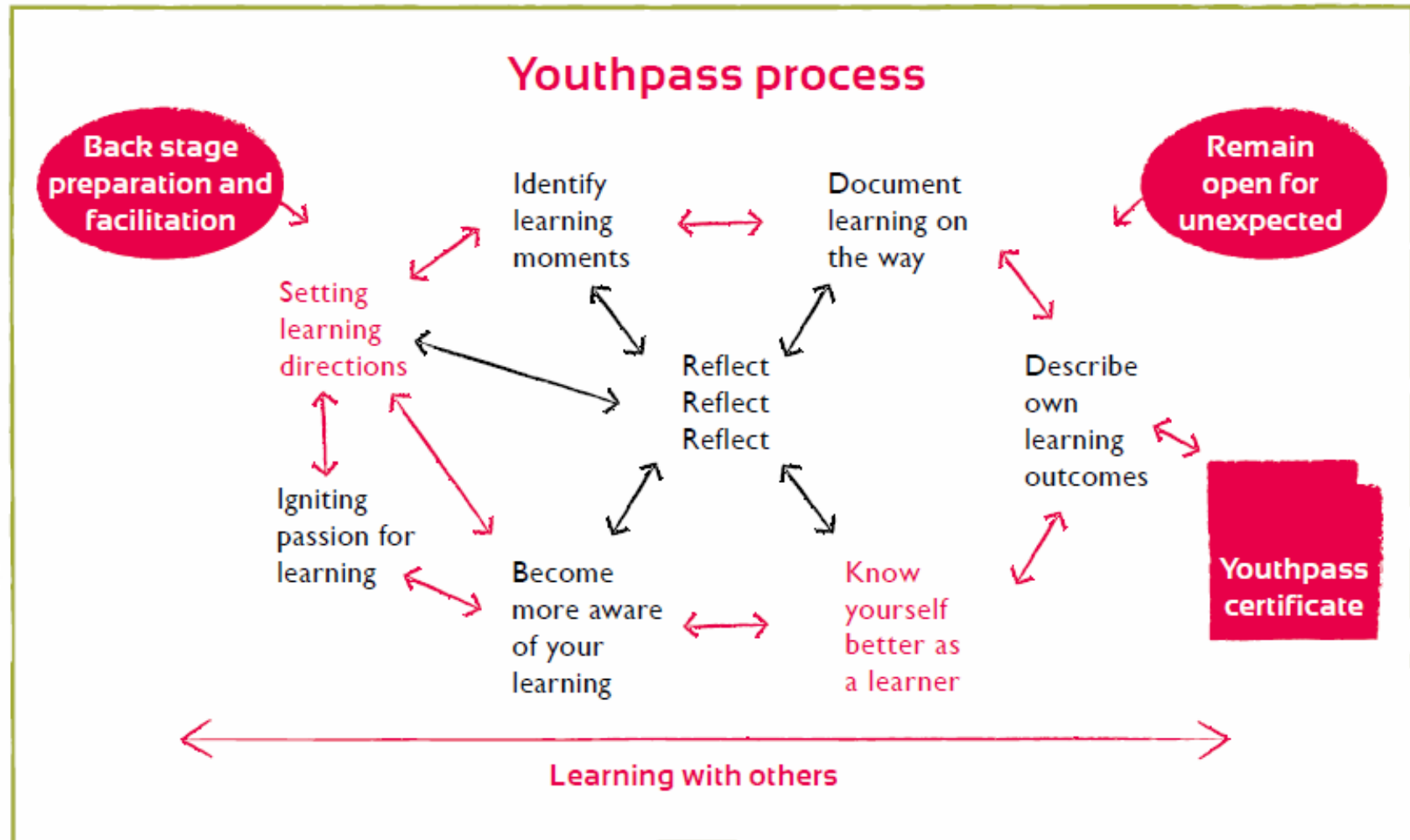
Multilingual tool implemented with the support network of National Agencies and other experts.

Underlying principles of Youthpass

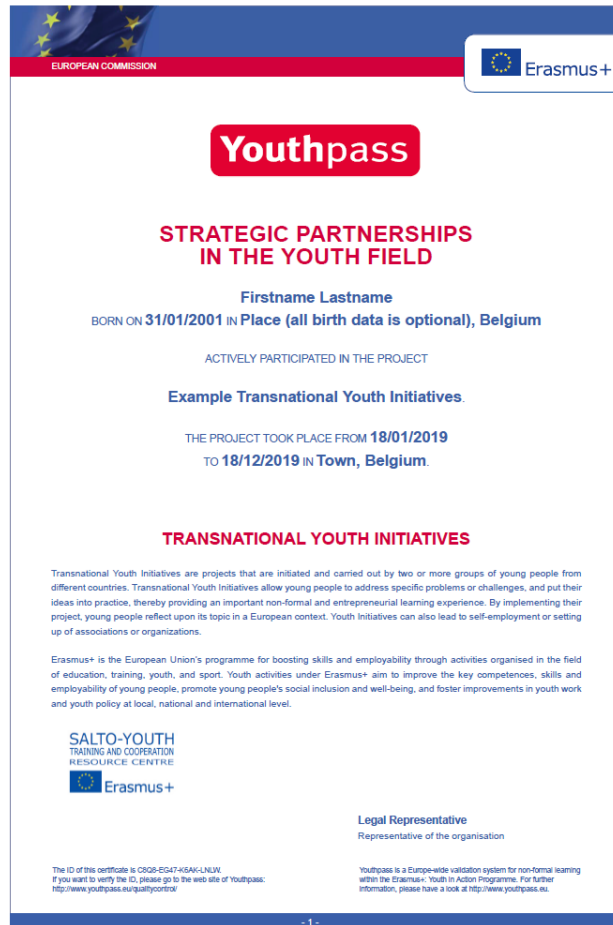


*Organisations need to be well informed to adequately present to participants

Youthpass process



Youthpass certificate: I part



The image shows the first page of a Youthpass certificate. At the top, there is a blue header with the European Commission logo on the left and the Erasmus+ logo on the right. Below the header, the word "Youthpass" is written in white on a red rounded rectangle. Underneath, the text reads "STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS IN THE YOUTH FIELD". The participant's details are listed: "Firstname Lastname", "BORN ON 31/01/2001 in Place (all birth data is optional), Belgium", and "ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN THE PROJECT". An example activity is provided: "Example Transnational Youth Initiatives". The project dates are "THE PROJECT TOOK PLACE FROM 18/01/2019 TO 18/12/2019 in Town, Belgium". A section titled "TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH INITIATIVES" explains that these are projects initiated by two or more groups of young people from different countries. Below this, a paragraph describes the Erasmus+ program's goals. The "SALTO-YOUTH TRAINING AND COOPERATION RESOURCE CENTRE" logo and Erasmus+ logo are at the bottom left. The "Legal Representative" section is at the bottom right. At the very bottom, there are two small footnotes: one about the certificate ID (CQ28-ESG17-45AK-ANJW) and another about the Youthpass validation system.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Erasmus+

Youthpass

**STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS
IN THE YOUTH FIELD**

Firstname Lastname
BORN ON 31/01/2001 in Place (all birth data is optional), Belgium

ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN THE PROJECT

Example Transnational Youth Initiatives.

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TO 18/12/2019 in Town, Belgium.

TRANSNATIONAL YOUTH INITIATIVES

Transnational Youth Initiatives are projects that are initiated and carried out by two or more groups of young people from different countries. Transnational Youth Initiatives allow young people to address specific problems or challenges, and put their ideas into practice, thereby providing an important non-formal and entrepreneurial learning experience. By implementing their project, young people reflect upon its topic in a European context. Youth Initiatives can also lead to self-employment or setting up of associations or organizations.

Erasmus+ is the European Union's programme for boosting skills and employability through activities organised in the field of education, training, youth, and sport. Youth activities under Erasmus+ aim to improve the key competences, skills and employability of young people, promote young people's social inclusion and well-being, and foster improvements in youth work and youth policy at local, national and international level.

SALTO-YOUTH
TRAINING AND COOPERATION
RESOURCE CENTRE

Erasmus+

Legal Representative
Representative of the organisation

The ID of this certificate is CQ28-ESG17-45AK-ANJW.
If you want to verify the ID, please go to the web site of Youthpass:
<http://www.youthpass.eu/qualitycontrol/>

Youthpass is a Europe-wide validation system for non-formal learning within the Erasmus+ Youth in Action Programme. For further information, please have a look at <http://www.youthpass.eu>

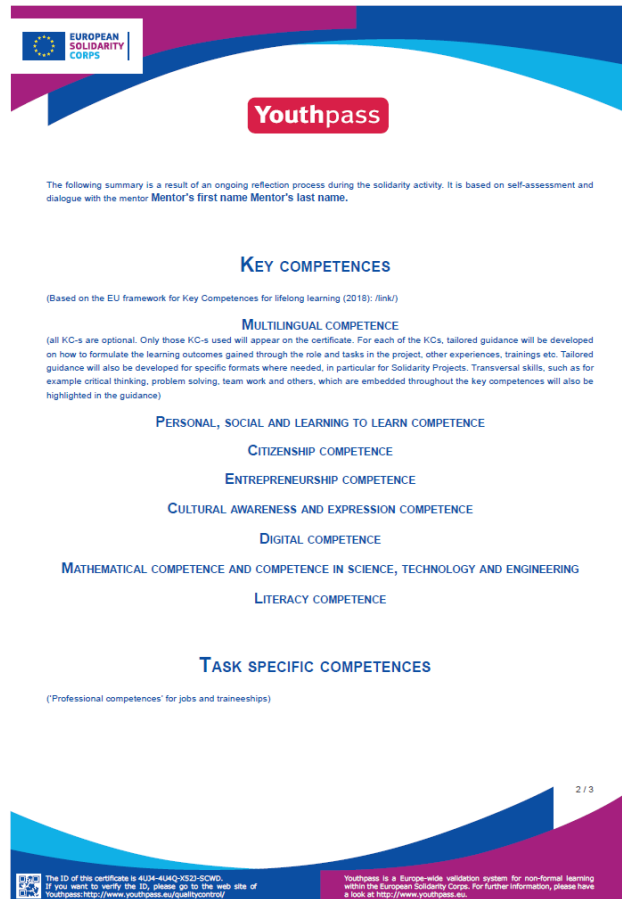
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Confirmation of participation

- Data of participant
- Information about the project
- Type of activity/programme
- Signatures

*Example Erasmus+ strategic partnership certificate first page

Youthpass certificate: II part



Description of learning outcomes

- Explanation of self-assessment and the dialogue process
- Description of learning results, based on the EU Key Competences for Lifelong Learning (only those competences relevant for the participant)
- Other competences (task-related or professional)
- Possibility for overall assessment in occupational strand for the Solidarity Corps
- Signature of the learner, also dialogue partner if applicable
- References

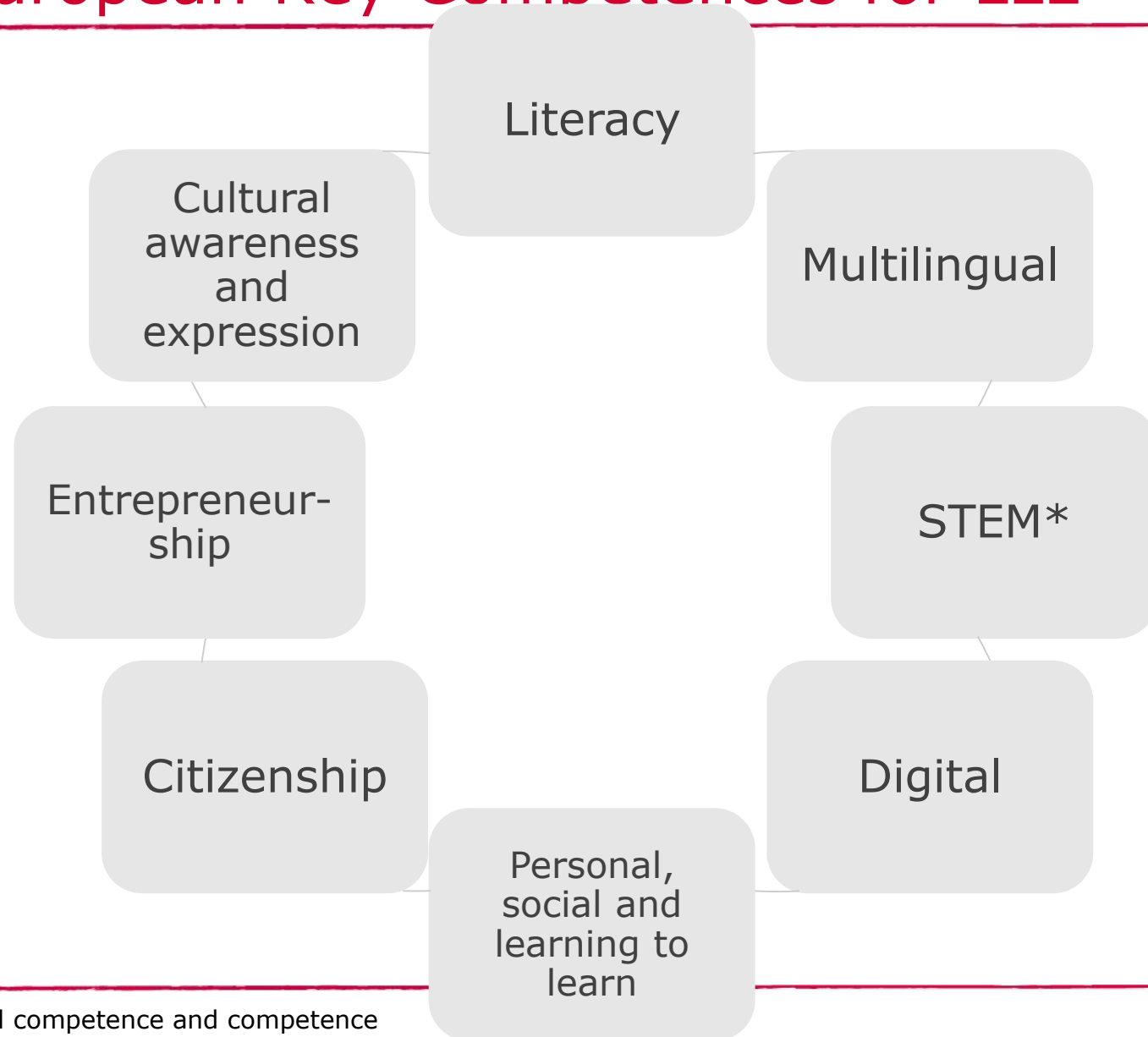
*Example European Solidarity Corps certificate second page

The European Key Competences for LLL

Key competences are those which all individuals need for personal fulfilment and development, employability, social inclusion and active citizenship.

- **Knowledge** is the facts, figures, concepts, theories which are already established and support the understanding of a certain area or subject
In short: what you know
 - **Skills** are the abilities to carry out processes and use the existing knowledge to achieve results
In short: what you can do
 - **Attitudes** describe the disposition and mind-sets to act or react to ideas, persons or situations
In short: how you react
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The European Key Competences for LLL



STEM: Mathematical competence and competence in science, technology and engineering

Youthpass in Numbers

Since its launch in 2007 and by the beginning of 2020, a total of about **1.056.000** Youthpass certificates have been created in **66.650** projects by almost **27.000** organisations

According to the RAY Network survey results*

...**89%** of the participants who had the Youthpass process implemented in their project confirmed that the reflection on learning and the self-assessment helped raise their awareness of their development

...**67%** of Youthpass receivers who used it in job, internship or study applications think that it was helpful in that process

For more data on Youthpass

- Statistics tool on the Youthpass website:
<https://www.youthpass.eu/en/youthpass/statistics/>
- 2 sets of data per year offered by SALTO:
 - General overview at the beginning of the year
 - More detailed national figures during the period of work plan development
- Other sources of information:
 - Final reports
 - EAC Dashboard
 - Special initiatives...

YOUTHPASS STATISTICS

YEAR

YEAR OF CERTIFICATE GENERATION

YEAR OF GRANT

ROUND

COUNTRY OR REGION

COUNTRY/NA

COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

RESIDENCE COUNTRY TYPE

PROJECT WITH PARTNER COUNTRIES

TYPE OF PROJECT

KEY ACTION (ERASMUS+)

ACTION (YOUTH IN ACTION)

CERTIFICATE TYPE

PROJECT TYPE OF TRAINING ACTIVITIES

66650 projects with 1056081 participants (out of which 325978 are using the Key Competences section) in 26792 organisations match the above criteria

#1MYouthpass Testimonials

In September 2019 the one-millionth Youthpass was issued! A call for #1MYouthpass testimonials was opened in the form of a friendly competition. The testimonials confirm that...

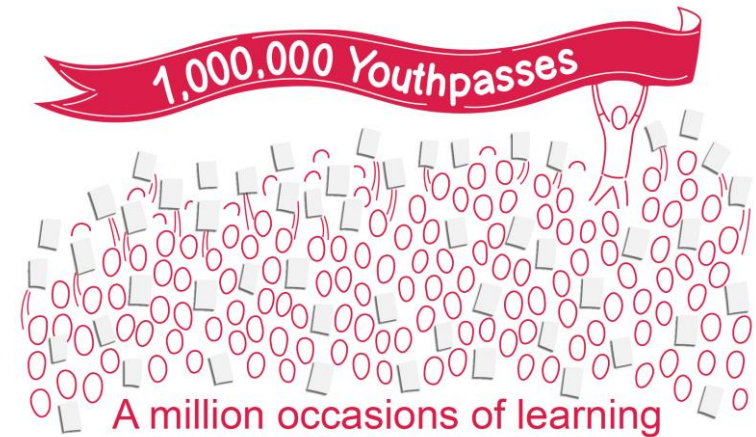
...Youthpass empowers those that work with it, in various ways

...the facilitators of learning have an important influence in making the best out of Youthpass

...self-recognition is the biggest impact of Youthpass

...the habit of reflecting on learning continues after the projects

...the better awareness of competences help in future professional steps



#1MYouthpass Testimonials



"What I tried to portray in this story is a path I took from gaining my first Youthpass to gaining a few more, learning and growing through non-formal education, being able to secure jobs and scholarships for myself and, finally, discover my inner passion and find my dream job. To everyone second-guessing himself or herself: don't. Try! There is nothing to lose, and so, so much to gain. Thanks, Youthpass!" - Nikolina Garača

"With the help of Youthpass and my mentor I started to believe in myself, see my potential to grow and reached my goal. I believe that was just a small piece of puzzle in the big picture of success, but now I see how Youthpass can help me to achieve much more in my future career and personal life." – Vanja Bunderla



Main points for 2020

Youthpass
Strategy

Rethinking, innovating
Youthpass,
conceptually and
technically

Continue establish
Youthpass in the
European
Solidarity Corps

Links with the
European Training
Strategy



Fit for the next
programmes

Continue offering
targeted support

Support to policies:
Youth Work Agenda,
Validation

Better monitoring

More publicity

Resources

- **Handbooks**

- One 2 One
- Valued by You, Valued by Others
- Youthpass Unfolded

- **Leaflets**

- Tips on Youthpass in different types of projects
- Information on Key Competences

- **Promotional material**

- Youthpass origami planes

- **Research reports**

- **Trainings**

- One 2 One
- Tuning In
- Recognise It!

- **More to Come in 2020!**

- Youthpass Guide
 - Online Training on Youthpass in European Solidarity Corps
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Youthpass Contact Persons

- Youthpass Contact Person for and of the National Agency
 - For Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps
- Analysing the usage of Youthpass on the national level
- Support to the awareness about Youthpass and to its quality implementation on the national level
- Supporting national/regional strategies for recognition for non-formal learning
- Translation of the Youthpass website and certificates



Further support and resources

- **SALTO Training & Cooperation Resource Centre** is responsible for the technical and conceptual development of Youthpass and to develop the necessary training and support
 - **Youthpass Helpdesk** offers support to users of Youthpass both for technical and content-related questions. NA colleagues are also invited to report problems via the Helpdesk.
 - youthpass@salto-youth.net
 - On **Youthpass demo website** you can try out Youthpass
 - <http://demo.youthpass.eu/en/login/>
 - Follow Youthpass on social media to keep up-to-date
 - FB @RecognitionAndYouthpass
 - Twitter @Saltorecognitio
 - Instagram @theyouthpassteam
 - Youthpass news now included in the monthly SALTO Newsletter
 - Subscribe @ <https://www.salto-youth.net/>
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Questions for NA colleagues

- How can the awareness of Youthpass and the related quality aspects in „my“ key action and area of work be supported?
- How can we encourage that the learning aspect of Youthpass (key competences) is made use of?
- Would there be ways to encourage the use of Youthpass after the projects?



Thank you for your attention!

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