

Youth parliaments exist in many areas of the world as a way of making sure young people have their say in shaping the future. If you're a young activist, or want to be a young activist, make sure you're involved!

### **Having your say in the World: *'Youth Building a Peaceful, Equitable and Sustainable World'***

[The Oxfam International Youth Parliament](#) (Oxfam IYP) is an initiative of Oxfam International. IYP mobilises a global network of young leaders and activists to bring about positive and sustainable change. It does this through supporting youth led initiatives, facilitating skills and capacity building programs and supporting young people to advocate for their rights and freedoms and those of their communities. Oxfam IYP encourages and supports young people as leaders in developing positive, sustainable, innovative and community oriented change initiatives.

### **Join in with the Parliament!**

Join the campaign coalition, learn online from other young activists and participate in e-learning workshops. Looking for ideas for taking action in your region? [Find out what other young activists have done to take action on social justice here.](#)

### **Having your say in Europe**

[The European Youth Forum](#) is an international organisation established by national youth councils and international non-governmental youth organisations to represent the interests of young people from all over Europe. The Forum works to empower young people to actively participate in the shaping of Europe and the society in which they live. It represents youth organisations in international institutions - mainly the European Union, the Council of Europe and the United Nations. It serves to channel the flow of information and opinions between young people and decision-makers.

The European Youth Forum has 93 members made up of national youth councils and international non-governmental youth organisations, which are federations in themselves, bringing together tens of millions of young people from all European countries. [To find out which organisations in your country are involved, and how to take part yourself, click here.](#)

### **Having your say the UK**

[The Young People's Parliament](#) (YPP) is a UK-based initiative, set up to help young people have a voice on everything that matters. The organisation started in the city of Birmingham in the UK as a place where young people can meet to talk about issues and develop policies for making the city a better place for young people. Now the YPP now provides a base for young people from all over the area, and will also be organising national and international events, bringing the youth of the UK together.