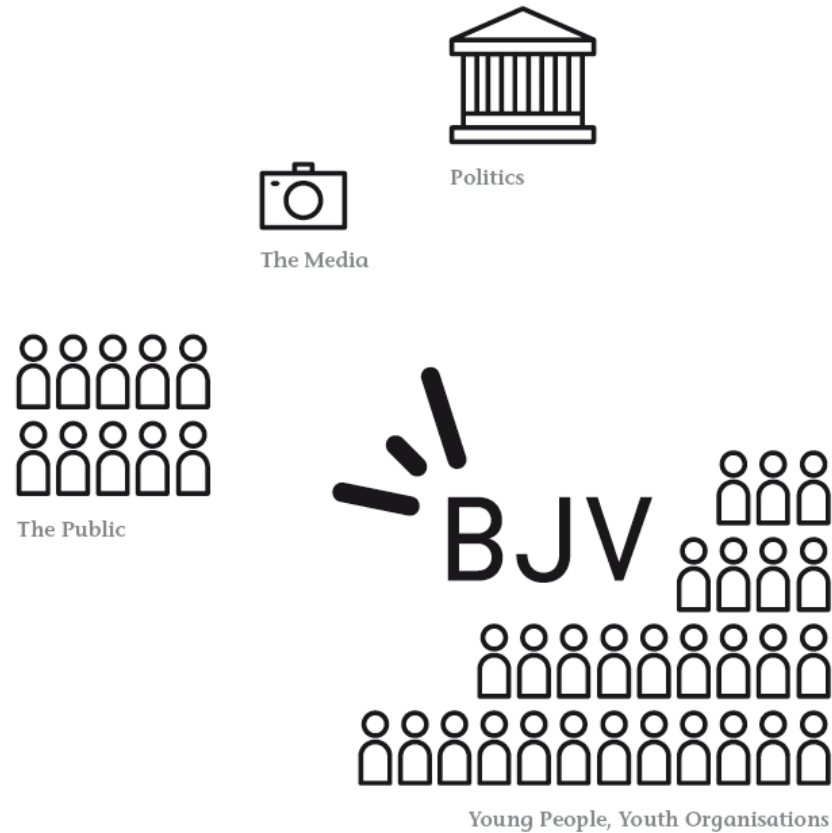


The Austrian National Youth Council



How we work



The **Austrian National Youth Council (BJV)** is the legal representative body for children and young people in Austria and supports the rights and interests of people under 30 years of age (3 million people).



Core Issues and Memers

- Youth Employment
- Participation
- Vote at 16
- Education
- Gender Equality
- Protection of Minors
- Children's Rights
- European Youth Policy
- Anti-Discrimination
- Labour Market
- Digitalisation
- Youth Work
- Religious Youth Organisations
- Minorities within Austria
- Pupils Associations
- Students Associations
- Open Youth Work
- Political Youth Organisations
- Nature Based Organisaions
- Workers Union's Youth Org
- etc.



Youth Strategy in Austria

Reason and needs for the design of the youth strategy

- Little knowledge amongst stakeholders about existing measures
- Missing Coordination
- Little awareness of impact on young people



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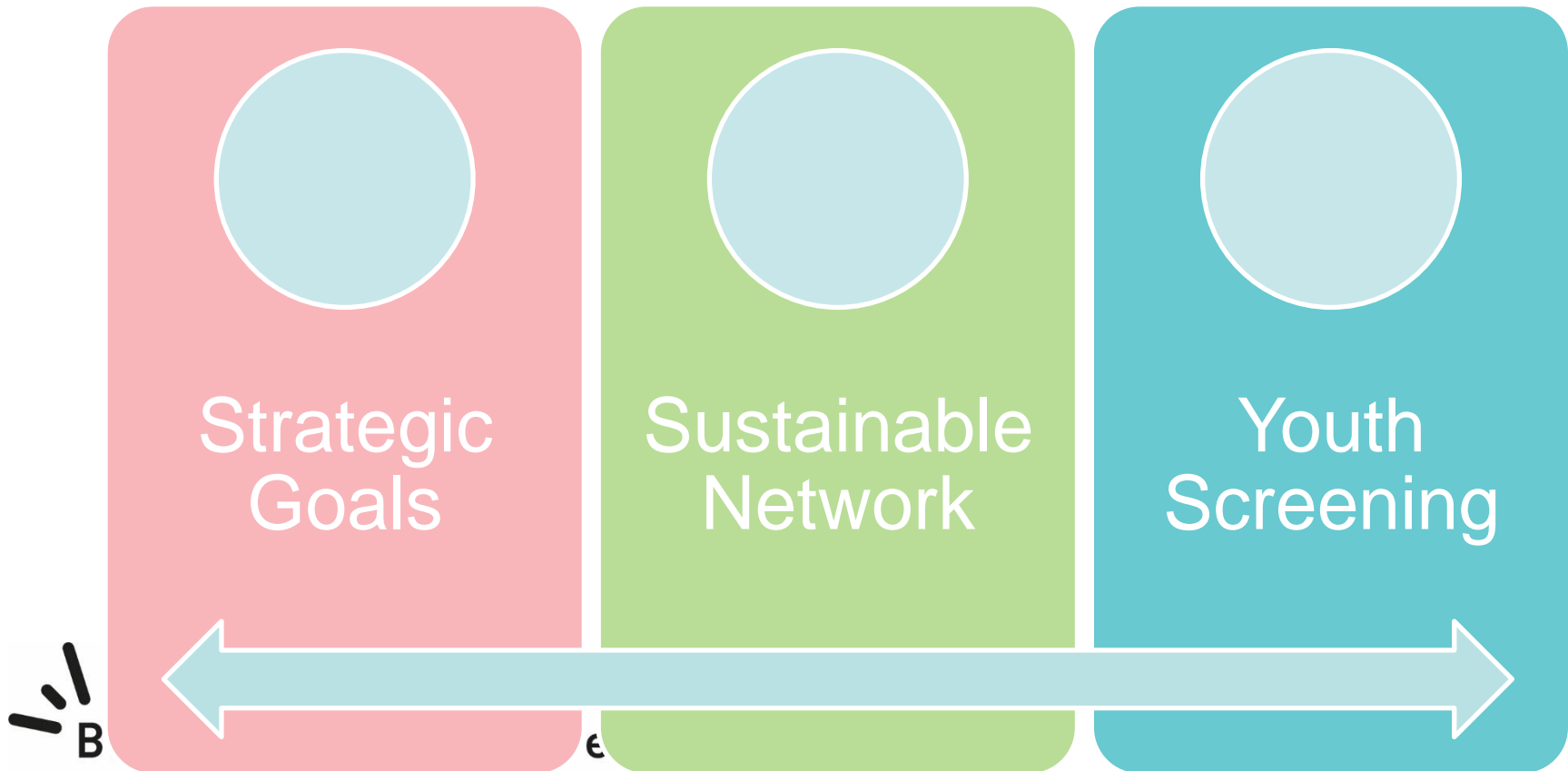
Aims and core elements

- Establish Youth policy as cross sectoral matter
- Strengthen youth politics as its own field of action
- Foster participation of young people in the political process



Youth Strategy in Austria

Aims and core elements – 3 pillars



Youth Strategy in Austria

Aims and core elements

Strategic Goals

1 Employment and Learning

- 1.1 Austria will continue to be among the top three countries in the EU in youth employment
- 1.2 In 2020, Austria will have the lowest rate of early school leavers in the EU
- 1.3 Austria will produce more company founders under 30 years of age

2)2 Participation and Initiative

- 2.1 First time Voters will have the highest turnout
- 2.2 50% of all young people will have taken part in a participation project
- 2.3 50% of all young people will take the initiative on their own to do voluntary work

3 Quality of Life and Spirit of Cooperation

- 3.1 Young people will be more optimistic about their future
- 3.2 Austria will rank among the three best countries in the EU regarding young people's health
- 3.3 50% of young people will see sustainability as an important personal and societal goal.



Youth Strategy in Austria

Aims and core elements

Sustainable Network

Youth Competence Center

- within the Ministry of Youth
- develops a stable network between the group of youth policy stakeholders

Development Group

- to guide the implementation of the National Youth Strategy



Youth Strategy in Austria

Aims and core elements

Youth Screening

Instruments for administrative
Departments (other than Ministry
of Youth)

Facilitated by Youth Competence
Center

- Providing Knowledge
- Providing Transparency
- Enable Latitude/Room for
maneuver



Youth Strategy in Austria

Development Process

Process starting 2012:

- Working Groups for stakeholders
- Youth Events and Focus Groups
- Development Group



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Youth Participation

... is a Strategic Goal as well as a Measure

- has been part of development
- Structured Dialogue
- Surveys and Reports
- Development Group
- wider Network consists of Youth Organisations, NYC,
etc.



Youth Strategy in Austria

Current State of affairs

- Youth Strategy is in the Work Plan of our current government
- Youth Competence Center keeps Strategy alive
- Development Group
- Monitoring and Support of Participation Processes
- outreach to other administrative departments in order to make fill YOUTH SCREENING with life via events (county level, ministries, other organisations)



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