

Report of local dialogue
organised by CoR Member **Mieczyslaw Struk** (Poland, EPP)

Europe in Kartuzy – Kartuzy in Europe



Organised by	“Pomorskie in the European Union” Association
Partners	Starostwo Powiatowe in Kartuzy
Date and time of the event	22/05/2023, 12:30
Event type	Onsite
Location(s) of event	Kartuzy, Pomorskie, Poland
Total number of participants	111
Type of participants	Students from secondary schools from all Kartuski District
Theme(s) covered during the event	Climate change and the environment Health A stronger economy, social justice and jobs EU in the world Values and rights, rule of law, security European democracy Migration Education, culture, youth and sport Other ideas – see below:
Other ideas	Local development, transportation, professional and personal development, entrepreneurship.
Recommendations / conclusions from the debate	Activities of the Youth Assembly of the Pomeranian Voivodeship, which represents the interests of the youth of all districts in the region
	To continue the debates for youth in the region with regional politicians

<p>Other relevant messages expressed by citizens or speakers during the event</p>	<p>Marshal of Pomorskie Voivodeship Mieczyslaw Struk spoke about the European Committee of the Regions and its role in the decision-making process in the European Union as an exponent of the voices of citizens of EU cities and regions.</p> <p>He also spoke about the CoR's initiative "Green Deal Going Local" and about the importance of environmental issues for regional authorities and local communities. He emphasized the role of young people in the green transformation.</p> <p>He encouraged young people to make conscious decisions and life choices, but also to become active citizens. Young students who already have the right to vote were encouraged by Mr. Struk to take part in the upcoming elections (parliamentary, local and European elections).</p> <p>Mr. Marshal stressed the role of local self-governments in implementing goals and priorities at the local and regional levels. He pointed out the Pomorskie region's development priorities in the context of EU funds.</p> <p>He also spoke about the active young people who participate in the Youth Assembly of the Pomeranian Voivodeship and the opportunity for all to be members of this body. He said that politicians should listen to young people, to learn their opinions, but also their needs and expectations.</p> <p>He asked young people about their priorities in life, expectations, goals, aspirations. Young participants were asked to write 5 issues most important to them. A summary of the votes showed that young people from Kartuski District put good education first, family second, a good job third, money fourth, personal development fifth, and health (including mental health) sixth.</p> <p>Dr. Aleksandra Borowicz of the University of Gdansk, a member of Team Europe, described the current priorities of the European Union and the main activities of the European Commission and the European Parliament in the context of current local and global challenges.</p> <p>Mr. Bogdan Łapa, the Governor of Kartuski District spoke about local development and the use of EU funds for education, health and infrastructure.</p>
<p>Hyperlinks to web / press / social media coverage</p>	<p>Powiat Kartuski - Debata "Europa w Kartuzach - Kartuzy w Europie"... Facebook</p> <p>Pomorskie Region on Facebook</p> <p>https://pomorskieregion.eu/aktualnosci/debaty-europejskie-dla-mlodziezy-w-kartuzach-i-koscierzynie/</p>

