



# AU-EU Youth Plug-In initiative



AU-EU Summit  
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For the first time ever ahead of an AU-EU Summit, Youth from both continents will be offered an opportunity to become actively involved in the preparations led by the two continental institutions for the 5th AU-EU Summit on November 29-30 in Abidjan.

## WHAT?

After the 4th Africa-Europe Youth Summit, 36 young people from both continents will be embedded into the EU & AU to share, identify and produce joint ideas, proposals and solutions to be brought forward to State Leaders at the 5th AU-EU Summit and beyond. They will work together on six priority themes:

**Business, job creation and entrepreneurship**

**Culture, sports and arts**

**Education and skills**

**Environmental preservation and climate change**

**Governance, political and democratic inclusion and activism**

**Peace and security (including Countering Violent Extremism and radicalization)**

## WHY?

Young people should be involved as active agenda-setters in decision-making processes affecting their future. Ahead of the AU-EU summit of Heads of States (Abidjan, 29-30 November 2017), AU & EU aim to ensure a more meaningful inclusion of Youth in practise: beyond recurrent Africa-Europe Youth Summit, an unprecedented addition: the AU-EU Youth Plug-In Initiative

## WHO? WHEN?

Any young person between 18-35 years old, African, European or Diaspora, interested in Africa-Europe cooperation as well as motivated and knowledgeable in one of the six themes

After the 4th Africa-Europe Youth Summit on October 9-11, the initiative will run from October 27-November 29. The 36 young persons will also participate in the 4th Africa-Europe Youth Summit and will already play an role during this event and onwards.

## WHERE?

After the  
“Africa-Europe  
Abidjan Youth  
Summit”

