

(English version)

**Question for written answer E-000795/26
to the Commission
Sibylle Berg (NI)
(25 February 2026)**

Subject: What has the President's Youth Advisory Board been doing so far?

The President's Youth Advisory Board, announced in the Commission's political guidelines for the 2024-2029 mandate, was set up on 25 June 2025 through Commission decision C(2025)3967 ⁽¹⁾.

According to its description, the board's mission is to discuss political and societal issues that matter to and affect young people. It should provide advice on ongoing and future Commission policies and initiatives that are relevant to young people and promote an exchange of experiences and good practice between young people and the Commission. A meeting on the topic of social media is said to have taken place on 3 December 2025.

1. How was this meeting prepared, how were participants able to contribute, and where have the results been published?
2. What other topics have already been discussed at Youth Advisory Board meetings, and which ones are planned for the future?
3. What are the rules of procedure of the Youth Advisory Board?

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**Answer given by Mr Micallef on behalf of the European Commission
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The first meeting of the President's Youth Advisory Board held on 3 December 2025 explored the impact of social media on young people. Board members and observers shared their views on online access, age verification, digital well-being and mental health as well as on opportunities provided by social media. The meeting provided an opportunity to bring directly a strong youth perspective in policymaking at the highest political level within the Commission.

In preparation for this first meeting with the Commission President, the Commissioner for Intergenerational Fairness, Youth, Culture and Sport organised an online meeting with the Board in November 2025 to hear their views on the topic and structure of the inaugural Board meeting.

As a follow-up to the meeting, the Board was invited to draft a policy paper with recommendations in January 2026 for the Commission President's consideration. This paper fed into the work of the special panel on child online safety launched in March 2026.

The next meeting of the President's Youth Advisory Board is foreseen during 2026. The topic of the meeting is still to be determined.

The report of the first meeting of 3 December 2025 and the rules of procedure will be published in the register of expert groups ⁽¹⁾ of the Commission ahead of the second Board meeting. The Board was set up as an Expert Group (group reference: E04004) by Commission Decision C(2025)3967 of 25 June 2025 ⁽²⁾.

¹ <https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/expert-groups-register/screen/expert-groups/consult?lang=en&groupID=4004>.

⁽¹⁾ <https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/expert-groups-register/screen/home?lang=en>.

⁽²⁾ Register of Commission expert groups and other similar entities <https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/expert-groups-register/screen/expert-groups/consult?lang=en&groupID=4004>.