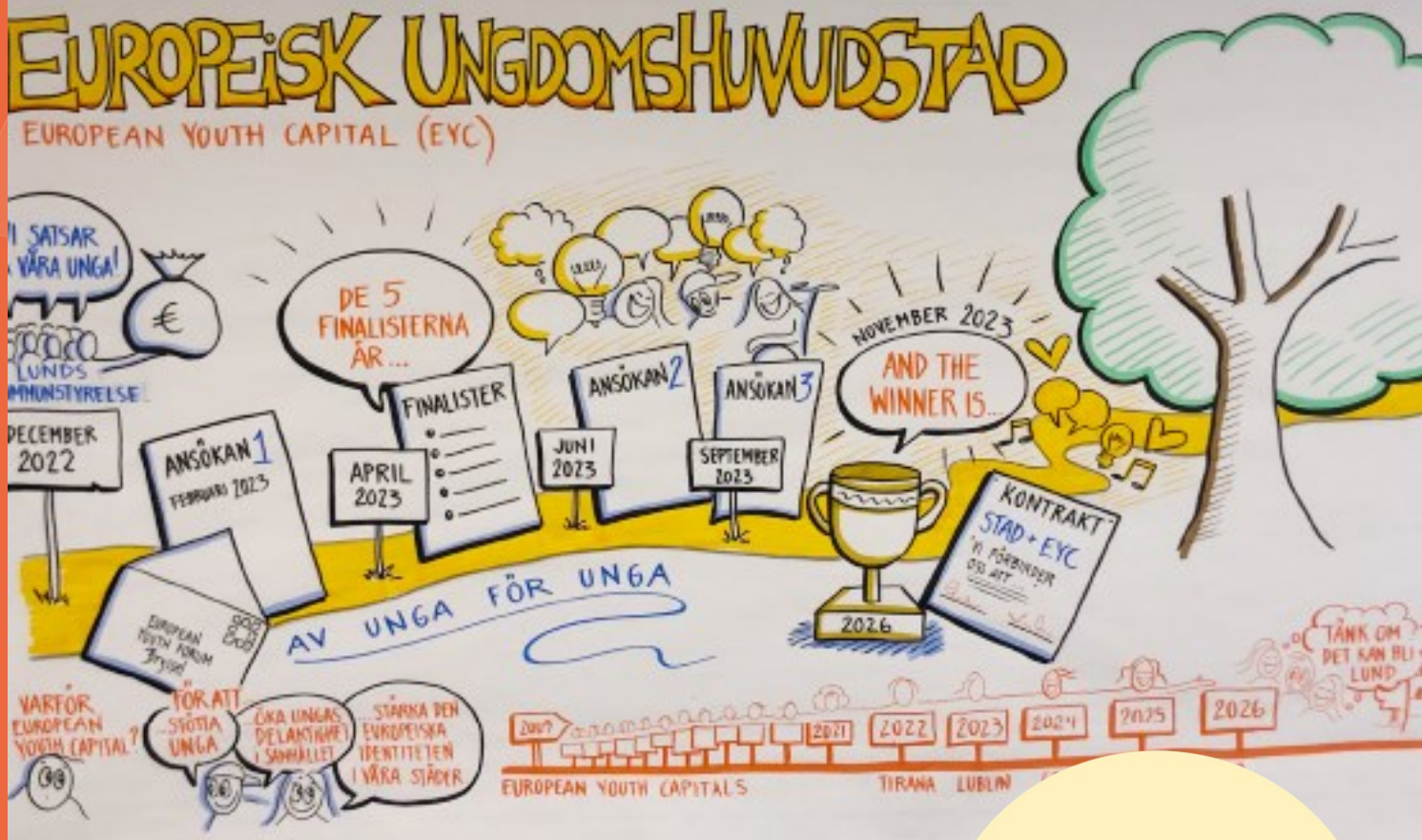




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EUROPEAN YOUTH CAPITAL (EYC) 2026 FIRST ROUND APPLICATION FORM

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Total population	127 376
Population under 35 years old	64 360

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HISTORY AND SITUATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (1)

About Lund: Lund is one of Scandinavia's oldest cities, yet more than half of the population is under 35. Lund holds a massive youth potential, and it is time to fully unleash it!

One of the world's top one hundred highest ranked universities makes Lund a meeting place for people, ideas, knowledge, and creativity. Lund is a place where you can be yourself, where differences enrich. We dare to think big. We listen to gain new perspectives and cultivate innovations and a strong democracy. We learn by listening, curiosity and creating. We lead, we show courage, and we act. We work together with others to achieve more, and benefit from each other's competences and experiences. Consider this application an open invitation to come and join us. Together we can meet, laugh, and solve world problems!

Over 20 years of active youth work: In 1999, the city council initiated the process of developing a *Youth strategy*. In 2000, *The Workshop for the Future* was held with participation from young citizens, policy officers and politicians that worked together to outline an arena where youth and politicians could meet. The idea of a *Youth parliament*, together with several other initiatives that have had a lasting impact in Lund, began here. The municipality have chosen to document efforts and experiences of working to increase youth influence by publishing several books, toolkits, and pamphlets. The books have been written by young people or together with young people. In 2004, Lund won the national title "Youth municipality of the year". Two questions have outlined all efforts for over 20 years: *In what way would you like to participate, and what issues would you like to engage with?* Over the years this have grown into a municipal structure ensuring youth's influence and participation – the *Youth politics unit* spearheaded by the *Youth ombud*. The crown jewels of the effort to empower youths' position in Lund is the mentioned Youth parliament, the *Influence café* and *Student body council day* (now on collectively referred to as the *influence forums*). The Youth ombud manifests the idea of having youth representation inside the municipality. The main objective is to raise young people's voices and organize influence forums. The first Youth ombud was employed in 2007, since then 25 young people between the ages of 20–30 have held the position. Today, they are regularly asked to provide insight and review policies and strategies and represent young people in official settings. The Youth ombud also facilitate the *Coordination group* - a group of young people with different backgrounds who share an interest in politics and social development. Currently two Youth ombud are employed by the municipality, and one of them is also project manager for the EYC process.

Twice annually, since 2003, everyone between the ages of 12-25 who lives or studies in Lund is welcome to participate in the Youth parliament. The Youth parliament is an arena for youth participation in local politics, where a rudimentary form of direct democracy is practiced by placing young people in the same room as the people in power, which creates a space for dialogue. Young people's ownership of the event is solidified by the Coordination group. Every parliament has an overarching theme which reflects issues that concern young people in Lund. In the fall of 2022 the theme was: *Should Lund apply to become EYC 2026?* Another youth forum in Lund is the *Influence café*. It is designed like the Youth parliament but is specifically tailored to meet young people with disabilities' needs. Young people with disabilities did not attend the Youth parliament to the same extent as other young people, so to strengthen the group's influence, the Youth ombud met hundreds of young people with disabilities to discuss how the influence forums could become more inclusive. The group wanted a smaller event where they could feel safe and comfortable expressing their opinion in their own way. The process was documented as a guidebook called "All Youth" and has been spread nationally. The first Influence café was held in 2016. *The student body council day* has, since 2015, been organized by the Youth ombud at the start of every semester and is for young people active in the student body councils in the municipality's high schools and upper secondary schools. The aim is to provide the youth with support and motivation to develop their important work and increase student influence and school democracy.

Youth services and employment support: Lund has developed into a city with a broad spectrum of youth services. The municipal youth services provided over 4500 activities for young people in 2022! One of the objectives is to encourage young people to shape their own leisure time. In 2022, young people produced over 1800 hours of activities. The youth centers free of charge and geographically situated to be accessible to as many as possible. Special efforts are made to reach those who need the youth centers most (taking gender, accessibility, socio-economic factors etc. into account). The municipal youth services in Lund include e.g., *Lund Culture school, Mobile- and Field groups*, and youth health clinics. Together with NGOs, we run a meeting place for LBTQIA+ youth. Moreover, Lund municipality conducts comprehensive labor market efforts for young adults (aged 18-30) to lead them towards self-sufficiency. Lund municipality offers 600 summer jobs and paid internships every summer to support 15–18-year-olds with special needs to establish contact with the labor market, develop entrepreneurial skills and get a meaningful occupation during the summer. Young people with disabilities can receive paid holiday internships until they are 21 years old. For more information, see Annex V.

Youth policies, youth influence and European identity: Lund's efforts of involving young people in a more systematic way dates to 2000. Today, it is common practice for municipal departments to seek input from young people by school visits, participating at Youth parliaments, surveys, and social media. We can do more to reach disadvantaged groups and become even more inclusive, although the Influence café is one example of how Lund continued to build on the structure for youth influence and created a space for young people with disabilities. Moreover, if a citizen in Lund has an idea or a proposal of how the municipality may improve, they can leave a *Citizen's suggestion*. Lund suggestions is a webpage where citizens can publish their ideas and encourage others to vote on them. If a suggestion gets minimum 100 votes, the municipal politicians must vote on the matter. This has become a tool for individuals too young to vote to impact municipal politics. Earlier, you had to be over 18 years old to use the service, but young people and the Youth ombud successfully led a campaign to take away the age requirement - since 2017 any citizen regardless of age can leave, and vote for, a suggestion!

A quarter of all residents in our municipality live outside the city of Lund. In 2022 the project *participatory budgeting* started, with the aim to involve rural citizens in local decision making and development. Everyone, regardless of age, is invited to come up with – and vote for - suggestions regarding their village. The winning proposal is implemented by the municipality. The evaluation of the first year shows that relatively few young people chose to participate, hence the current year's process will include special efforts to increase youth participation. The municipality is also supporting youth organizations through initiatives such as the *Young leads young* grants (see Annex V). The Youth parliament and the Influence café have, over the years, developed into a meeting spot for youth organizations and municipal politicians and officials. However, Lund wishes to find, and is currently exploring, new paths for bringing youth organizations into decision making. And Lund sees EYC as a catalysator for doing just that!

Lund's track record regarding youth policies is anchored in the long-standing national commitment to protect the rights of the child. This commitment was segmented even further in 2020, when *The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child* became national law in Sweden. Regarding action plans, strategies, and governing documents there are several overlaps and integrations between our youth policies, the overall municipal strategy, National policy, and European policy. On a municipal level, the *Action Plan for the Best for the Child in Lund Municipality 2021-2030* spans over all municipal departments, symbolizes the local ambition and the connection to the national position. The plan is monitored and evaluated through a child impact analysis. It states that political decisions concerning children shall be made according to the *Convention on the Rights of the Child*. Moreover, Lund is a student town with over 46 000 students, hence an important group of young people to integrate in decision-making. Therefore, the municipality of Lund's *Action plan for student cooperation 2020-2022*

was drafted together with the three largest student organizations. The student organizations are also represented in the *Municipal student council*. The university and the municipality also share a *student coordinator* to promote cooperation and student influence.

The municipality's action plans for ecological and social sustainability has an emphasis on (youth) participation. One of the aims declared in the *Action plan for social sustainability* is to strengthen the rights of children, people with disabilities and national minorities. The current *Action plan for national minorities* is being revised with the adoption of a child rights perspective. All action plans emphasize cooperation with NGOs. We recognize the importance of acknowledging our different roles, where NGOs many times have the capability to reach marginalized groups. By a joint effort we ensure participation. Another example is the project *Climate Neutral Lund 2030* that manifests Lund's goal to minimize emissions of greenhouse gases and phase out fossil fuels. Young people were deeply involved in the design of the project and participated in several workshops and climate hacks. The municipal council in Lund adopted the *Youth Policy Program (YPP)* in 2018, with the intent to create a mechanism to ensure sustainable development within the youth policy field to reach the national youth goals in a local context. The program is a long-term municipal strategy to work with youth issues and emphasize the importance of youth's increased participation. During the development of the program, pre-existing structures for youth involvement facilitated young people's voices in the program: the Youth ombud, a workshop during an Influence café and a survey regarding what the most important issues was according to young people. The YPP is currently being revised to incorporate the *European Charter on Local Youth Work*. The new YPP target areas are: Good quality of life from the perspective of young people; Active participation and co-creation; Enable encounters and strengthen sympathy for the other, and; Self-actualization and learning. In the revised version of the YPP, youth participation and influence will continue to be vital. During 2022, the Department of Culture and Leisure in cooperation with schools and community youth centers released a survey asking youth what symbolized a good city according to them, and what was missing in Lund. The survey yielded over 500 responses. The survey is one of the tools used to define Lund's EYC-candidacy. During the fall of 2022, there was also an event where young people with various backgrounds got the chance to sit down and discuss issues together with several senior officials including the Director of the Culture and leisure department. The discussions were documented. Hence, the YPP rests on both quantitative and qualitative data from young people.

A direct line can be drawn between Lund's local plans, policies and youth influence and the European youth policies. Lund's plans are also coherent with the Swedish national youth policies and the Sustainable Development Goals. Furthermore, Lund has a good track record of developing European connections and strengthening the sense of unity, even if we see this as an area where we can do and learn even more. The connection to Europe was strengthened with the establishment of the *Europe Direct* Lund office, with a specific focus on young people, is the extended arm of the European Commission and the European Parliament. In just a short time the office has become an important partner. The office participates at Influence forums, and in 2022 they co-hosted *EU Days Lund* together with Lund university, the municipality of Lund and the European Commission. At EU Days Lund representatives from the public sector, industry, academia, EU-institutions, students, and the public meet to exchange of ideas about the future of Europe and Sweden.

Lund University is the biggest university in the Nordic countries. Lund University has a well-developed exchange program and has collaborations with 400 universities within Erasmus+, during 2015-2020 4 189 students came to Lund through the program. To strengthen the international and European connection, Lund University have, in collaboration with the municipality, developed *Certificate of International Merits (CIM)* where students can carry out international assignments at local organizations as a pathway to further intercultural knowledge. Lund municipality also has several international and European collaborations. An estimated 40 percent of all the municipality's project partners are European, the most common

partner countries are Denmark, Spain, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Austria, Poland, and the Netherlands. International relations take place primarily in project form or through visits and meetings, mainly within the policy areas of sustainability. Although not a European cooperation, Lund is engaged in a municipal partnership with Francistown, Botswana. The partnership program revolves around the participation and development of local democracy among young people. The project provides an opportunity for Lund to make a difference in the world, while also gaining new methods and tools through the exchange. Furthermore, Lund is represented in many networks and collaborations such as *Human Rights Cities Network* and *European Agency for Fundamental rights*. Lund is also engaged in Sister city agreements with several Nordic and European cities. Some examples are Dalvik (Iceland), Nevers (France), Greifswald (Germany) and Zabrze (Poland). For each sister city there is an independent twinning association consisting of citizens.

Key issues: During the fall 2022, the Youth ombud used the influence forums and other events to gather information from a diverse group of young people about what the main issues in Lund were according to them. The Youth ombud asked: “what is Lund good at when it comes to young people, and what can Lund become better at when it comes to young people?”. In total, 532 opinions were gathered, and the key youth issues that emerged were: To improve the mental health of young people; Increased influence and participation in municipal politics and the development of Lund; The infrastructure especially mobility for young people in rural areas; Promote young people in rural areas; A more inclusive free time, particularly the youth community centers, what opportunities they have making young adults a priority; Education and creating job opportunities for young people.

MOTIVATION AND GOALS (2)

It is time for Lund and the world to unleash young people’s full potential! Therefore, Lund municipality and Tamam have chosen to apply for the European Youth Capital 2026. We see EYC as a synonym for the immense potential of young people. Young people in Europe are now tasked with the challenge of transitioning to adulthood while also enjoying their youth in a world recovering from a global pandemic, the existential threat of the climate crisis, war, and financial turmoil. Young people need support and encouragement, now more than ever. The results from studies and questionnaires concerning young people’s wellbeing, both in Lund and elsewhere, are clear: young people are widely suffering from mental health issues, anxiety, and stress. These issues need to be mitigated by serious ambitions and a joint taskforce. We see EYC as an opportunity to come together and do just that! We consider the EYC to be in line with Lund’s ambition and profile as a hub for sustainability, human rights, and education. Lund is home to the *Raoul Wallenberg Institute*, the first *Human Rights City* in Sweden and a *Fair-Trade City*. Lund has a track record of high ambitions and being a leader in sustainable development. One of Lund’s ambitions is to become climate neutral by 2030. In 2022 we won the WWF’s *One Planet City Challenge* and *Climate City of the Year* in Sweden and was selected to become one of the EU’s first 100 climate-neutral cities. To be true to our own ambitions, we consider it to be an indispensable ambition to make sustainability, both ecological and social, ever-present in Lund’s EYC venture.

The university has been one of Lund’s main attractions since 1666 and a bridge between Lund and the world as the university welcome 1 700 international students each year. Today, over 45 000 people between the ages of 12-35 live in Lund municipality and that number will continue to grow. In addition, 65 percent of the students at upper secondary school in Lund live in other parts of the region, making Lund a beacon for many young people. This exhilarates our desire to become better for not only the youth of today but for the youth of tomorrow. Our motivations expand far beyond our municipal borders - a victory will be beneficial for Sweden. The expressed support by *The National Council of Swedish Children – and Youth Organizations* (LSU) further legitimize this claim (Annex II). We would also like to humbly claim that Lund may represent an even larger geographical area. Lund’s position in the very south

of Sweden make us a strategic hub for Scandinavian youth, youth from the Baltic region and Northern Europe. In fact, over 400 000 young people between the ages of 13-30 can within an hour reach Lund by public transport, and more than half of them live in another European country – Denmark!

Moreover, the importance of strengthening the European identity and solidarity has only become more pressing with the war in Ukraine. Lund has a lot to offer in terms of know-how and experience of youth participation and influence. We want to share our knowledge and provide good examples. But more importantly we are determined to grow, to learn and become better. And we wish to evolve with NGOs, other cities and young people in Lund, Sweden, and Europe. We strongly believe that the EYC title would be synonymous with an energy boost in this regard. We must also give credit where credit is due, youth and NGOs are the creators of many of the things that makes Lund beautiful. Hence, a motivation for our candidacy is to bring attention to their contribution regarding youth influence and develop it. A strong motivation for Lund is to renovate the way we work together with young people to promote youth participation and influence in decision-making. We want to be the best again! The way young people choose to participate in society and politics has changed and we see EYC to strengthen our partnerships and develop new methods that are up to date with how young people want to become involved. In other words: find new answers, together with young people, to the questions: *in what way would you like to participate and what issues would you like to engage with?*



As illustrated above, key issues and focal points to guide us through the EYC journey. Climate change is not explicit in our key issues. We know young people consider climate change to be a fundamental issue, we know it is a matter of actual life and death. Therefore, sustainability will be a natural component in our work. In the process of transforming key issues into focal points we chose to make young voices the priority, but we were delighted to discover that the key focal points reflected the *European Youth Strategy* and the *Sustainable Development Goals* (SDGs). Hence, placing the local focal points in an international context, and making them relevant for young people across Europe.

Key focal points	European Youth Goals	SDGs
1. Increasing young people’s participation and influence over their life and local politics	4. Information an Constructive Dialogue 11. Youth Organizations and European Programs	10. Reduce inequalities 11. Sustainable cities and communities 13. Climate action 17. Partnership for the goals
2. The mental health of young people	5. Mental Health and Wellbeing	3. Good health and well-being

3. Bridging the gap between rural and city areas	3. Inclusive Societies 6. Moving Rural Youth Forward 10. Sustainable Green Europe	10. Reduce inequalities 11. Sustainable cities and communities 13. Climate action
4. A truly inclusive leisure time	2. Equality of All Genders 3. Inclusive Societies 9. Space and Participation for All	5. Gender equality 10. Reduce inequalities Article 31 The Child's right to play in Convention on the Rights of the Child
5. Employment and entrepreneurship	7. Quality Employment for All 8. Quality Learning	4. Quality education 8. Decent work and economic growth

1. Increasing young people's participation and influence over their life and local politics:

Increasing young people's participation and influence is central for our ambition, it is the link between our focal points, our goals, and expected long-term impacts. The focal point brings a stronger civil society into focus. We recognize civil society engagement to be a main path for youth influence and participation. Therefore, the self-organization and empowerment of youth must be realized with the hope that decision-makers and society will gain a deeper understanding of the capacities and knowledge young people can bring to the table.

2. The mental health of young people: Making the mental health of young people a focal point it will generate a collective push towards increasing knowledge, decreasing prejudices, find new paths to help young people in need and strengthen the actions to prevent mental health issues.

3. Bridging the gap between rural and city areas: We know that all young people in Lund do not feel that they are a priority. The focal point is framed as rural and city, but the activities carried out in this area will also be directed at increasing the inclusion of young people from socio-economically vulnerable areas. To do this social and economic mobility but also infrastructure to further the freedom of movement is central.

4. A truly inclusive leisure time: The activities concerning this focal point will be carried out on two main fronts. The first one is to promote young people's influence over the options of things to do in Lund and the facilitation of self-produced activities. The second concerns activities devoted to developing the inclusiveness of disenfranchised groups such as LGBTQIA+ youth, young people with disabilities, minorities, or socio-economically marginalized youth. To increase inclusion and ownership we must also direct efforts towards mitigating discrimination, prejudice, and social exclusion. Another group is young adults, particularly the young adults who are unemployed and not enrolled in university. Young adults are a group we must work harder to include. Hence, financial means or background should not be decisive factors for how meaningful your leisure time should be!

5. Employment and entrepreneurship: Employment is a key component for young people to find their footing in society and decrease social exclusion. This focal point is a chance for a collective multifaceted effort to provide young people with an easier transition from youth to adulthood. The activities will be directed towards youth entrepreneurship, social entrepreneurship, education, meaningful internships, volunteering, attitudinal changes among employers, life skills and general employability.

Lund's outlook on what the EYC process could achieve is extensive. We see EYC as a pathway to improve the life for young people in Lund and beyond. To do this, Lund considers co-learning and co-development with youth, NGOs, and partnerships with European allies to be paramount. Our key goals - which we regard as vital for ensuring a positive long-term impact for young people - may be summarized as followed:

- Making Lund a better place for its growing young population and easing the transition from young adult to adulthood.
- Further develop the tools for youth influence and participation so that they are compatible with how young people want to get involved in society.

- Empower, encourage, facilitate, and trust youth participation in decisions-making and society.
- Bring the decision-making structures, young people, and civil society closer to empower the democracy.
- Strengthening the togetherness and collaboration between youth in Lund and Europe.

There is a strong correlation between our key goals and our identified focal points. To set ambitious goals may make the work harder but they enhance the possibility for Lund to bring positive change to many different aspects of young people's lives. Participation and inclusion have already been defined as paramount for goal obtainment and increasing the well-being of youth. Make them feel a greater ownership of their life and society and increase their possibility for self-organization. But to feel ownership of society the individual must also feel included and be given the opportunity to establish oneself. Lund has over 20 years of experience of incorporating voices from local youth in municipal policies and programs. The key issues identified in question 1 reflects the challenges young people face in a local context, but we recognize that these corresponds with European youth issues. As stated in question 1, the main channel for involving young people and youth NGOs in the process of defining the motivations and key goals was the EYC-themed *influence forums*. The results and issues also reflect *Lund municipality youth survey's* results - a survey aimed at students in the second year of upper secondary school, focusing on questions about how students experience school and their health. A survey, carried out by the Department of Culture and Leisure regarding what makes young people feel satisfied or dissatisfied in their leisure time revealed that young people lacked support regarding mental health issues, influence, meeting spots, activities, safety, and good infrastructure to feel satisfied. The key issues pointed out by young people have been discussed with the Coordination group and co-applicant Tamam (see Annex VI-VII) and were then interpreted in to the 5 key focal points. In total, the data that makes up the basis for the key focal points and goals consists of more than 1 100 replies. They symbolize guiding loadstars for Lund during the EYC adventure.

YOUTH AND PUBLIC EVENTS INFRASTRUCTURE (3)

Next stop - Lund: Our location in the southernmost part of Sweden (region of Skåne), makes us a point of connection not just between Sweden and Denmark through the Öresund Bridge, but between Europe and the Nordic region. Travelling sustainable within and between Sweden, Denmark, and the continent is fast and smooth. Skåne has a very modern and well-functioning public transportation system. Lund Central Station is situated in the city center, making the train the best travelling option to Lund. There are very good connections to larger Swedish cities and Copenhagen. Several long-distance trains and buses connect Lund to many of the largest cities in the Nordic region and the continent. Lund is accessible by train or bus from Trelleborg, Ystad and Karlskrona from where you can go by boat to/from Poland and Germany. If you come by car there is parking at all entrances to the city with easy access to public transportation. Lund has two major airports within its proximity, Malmo Airport and Copenhagen International Airport, the latter with connections to most bigger cities in Europe. Transfer time is minimal, a train from Copenhagen airport takes 30 minutes.

Getting around: The easiest ways to get around in the city is by foot, the pedestrian streets and sidewalks makes your walk safe and pleasant. Another option is bike, where for example it is possible to rent via *Lundahoj*. Helmets can be lent for free at *Fritidsbanken* (see Annex V). The most convenient way to get around Lund, besides walking or cycling, is to take the local buses or the tram that run at regular intervals throughout the day and evening. There is a selection of tickets depending on distance and time, starting from approximately 3 Euros. There are also group-, youth-, and student discounts available. *Skånetrafiken*, who runs the public transport system works actively to deliver sustainable journeys. By promoting climate neutrality, energy efficiency, clean air, minimal noise, no dangerous chemicals, and social

responsibility. Lund's city traffic will introduce new silent electric buses without any exhaust emissions in 2023. Skånetrafiken also works actively with accessibility. All vehicles (trains, buses and tram) are accessible, and continued work is taking place with a successive adaptation of all stops.

Sleeping and living: With over 1,750 hotel rooms there is something for all budgets. When you choose a double room in Lund, you can expect to pay €60-130. Many accommodations have environmental certification, sustainable products, and solutions. The prices usually include breakfast, Wifi and VAT. Lund also has a large selection of rentals through Air-BnB, where you can discover unique accommodation in central Lund and expect to pay €40–90 for one person. Lund municipality facilitates a smaller summertime camping with space for 20 caravans and 25 tents. In surrounding cities like Malmö (a 10-minute train ride away) you find youth hostels to affordable prices. Altogether, Lund and the region provides big, diverse selection of accommodations for EYC.

Lund, the place to be: Skåne is a vivid cultural region and is internationally recognized for its excellence in producing high-quality large-scale events. The city has a long history of both coordinating projects with other cities, business, NGOs, and academy. Nearly a quarter of our residents have a foreign background, and this diversity makes the perfect conditions for creating an open and creative climate. Lund is known as "the city of small stages". We are an excellent festival city in a charming cultural-historical environment. Lund University is an active and tone-setting player. The academic association, student unions and student nations are all student-driven. They fill the city with life, movement, and a variety of events. Among other things, the Lunda Carnival, which is organized every fourth year by Lund's student and attracts roughly 400,000 visitors. In 2023, Lund will host two European championships in Football for girls 17 and EM in Equestrian vaulting. Lund also have an annual tournament in Handball and Basketball. *Lundaspelen* is one of Sweden's biggest youth sports events and brings together young people from 38 countries.

The sustainable host: Some of the most used indoor facilities are *Stadshallen*, *Stadsteatern*, *AF-borgen*, *Mejeriet*, the *University Hall* and the churches. The capacity of Lund's indoor facilities varies between 500-950 guests. For larger events we have sports facilities such as *Sparbanken Skåne Arena*, with a capacity up to 4,000 people. *Science Village* includes Sweden's two largest research facilities *MAX IV* and *ESS*, and two new venues will be ready before 2026. The largest will have a capacity of 950 people. Beyond this there is a diversity of smaller-scale venues such as museums, galleries, libraries, auditoriums, schools, hotels. All facilities offer a high standard regarding accessibility. For larger outdoor events several places that are commonly used - the two squares *Stortorget* and *Mårtenstorget* are used for concerts, beach volleyball and food markets. The parks *Stadsparken*, *Lundagård* and the botanical garden have facilitated harvest markets, theatre, picnic concerts and the Lunda carnival. Our rich countryside offers beautiful and unexpected playgrounds in varied natural environments. The nature area *Sankt Hans backar* also offers an amphitheatre that can be used for larger events and festivals.

We are constantly improving our infrastructure and currently have a project with the aim of increasing the usage of already existing facilities, primarily for NGOs. By 2026 we likely have come a long way in this process meaning that youth will have access to more spaces. Just imagine the activity if municipal facilities were bookable 24/7! Our goal is to give young people access to facilities by developing strategies for youth to better access our stages so they can create their own culture events. Our newly renovated *City Hall* is an example of this. The City Hall is a living room for the people of Lund, where culture and democracy meet in a unique way. The premises are fantastic for music, meetings, performances, and simultaneously this is the place from where Lund is politically governed. If Lund becomes EYC 2026, we will turn the City hall into a youth center and hub for EYC! As mentioned, Lund is proud of its high ambitions regarding both social and ecological sustainability (see question 1, 2 and Annex V). During the entire application process, the project group has included one coordinator for social

sustainability and one for ecological sustainability and will continue to do so throughout the process to ensure that these perspectives always are present. Lund's youth program includes working for an inclusive approach where all young people must be given equal opportunities to develop and excel - regardless of background or circumstances. All Lund's public premises and public places are adapted as much as possible for people with disabilities. The city has adopted an event and meeting strategy to promote sustainable and innovative events and meetings. To make sustainability easier for staff while planning events, the municipality uses a checklist for sustainable events, which includes both social and ecological aspects. Our EYC activities will use the checklist (see Annex V).

EUROPEAN YOUTH CAPITAL PROGRAMME (4)

2026 is an exciting year! There are general elections to the Riksdag, municipal and regional assemblies and it is also once again time for the Lunda carnival. Lund will be able to offer a comprehensive program, by developing pre-existing activities and initiating new ones. The five focal points will outline Lund's program and place each activity in a larger context. At this stage we simply wish to relay our ambitions and initial ideas. We wish to keep the door open for more youth influence and use the program as a pathway to expand Lund's legacy of promoting youth produced activities and civil society engagement. Proposed activities reflect both preexisting events and ideas for new activities we have the innovation and capacity to implement and put a European spin on. Some of the activities are: Expanding the Lunda carnival, expanding the Youth parliament to include young people up to 30 years old and invite national and European youth to participate, and a Youth conference – national and European (for a more activities see Annex VIII). To attract and engage a diverse group of young people, we consider four main strategies: sustainability, youth influence, collaboration, and communication. The city of Lund's high ambition to become climate natural 2030, and young people's demand for climate action, means that we will strive for all events to be ecologically and socially sustainable. All events must be accessible and inclusive. We will lean on the municipality's action plans and Swedish anti-discrimination law which prohibits discrimination of the grounds of sex, gender identity or gender expression, ethnicity, religion or other belief, functional impairment, sexual orientation, or age. We also recognize that financial means is a factor that obstructs youth participation. Therefore, the proposed program will mainly consist of free activities.

We consider cooperation with civil society to be a prerequisite for a successful EYC venture. We will reach a diverse group of young people through collaboration with a diversity of NGOs, and Lund have more than 500 NGOs. NGOs have the capacity to be bridge builders between the municipality and youth because of their legitimacy, knowledge, and experience. Lund's candidacy has already secured support from the *Umbrella organization for social NGOs within the Lund municipality* (LIPS), *Lund UN association* and the joint university student associations (Annex II and IX). The importance of having Tamam as co-applicant goes much deeper than just securing youth influence in the EYC process. Tamam focuses on reaching youth who are further away from the civil society and to a lesser degree participate in leisure activities, due to socioeconomic disadvantages or/and excluding norms, etc. (see question 6). Collaboration with youth community centers and NGOs that already attracts young people is key. Moreover, the schools and the university will be important partners. In Sweden attending school is mandatory for young people until upper secondary school, and even then, 98 percent of young people attend. In addition, the University will be an important partner for including young adults and attracting an international audience. The university students are also frontrunners for youth NGOs and youth produced activities.

To ensure the inclusivity we need to direct special attention to groups of youth we know to be disenfranchised or marginalized. Such as young people in rural areas or socio-economically vulnerable communities, and young people with disabilities. The program will include events all over the municipality. By this we expect young people in rural areas to feel ownership of the EYC-year and help us reach a more diverse audience. Furthermore, Lund has experience of working with young people with disabilities. We know that they, generally, feel excluded from

normal youth events and services. The EYC year must break this cycle by making this group a priority. It is equally important that all events are accessible, and we will lean on NGOs with experiences of working with this group to ensure it. Social media is expected to be an important pathway to reach a diverse group of youth and provide young people with important information. Lund municipality is established on social media. If Lund becomes EYC we will develop a web-platform and link up with preexisting social media infrastructure. We see social media, and preexisting structures for collecting inputs from citizens like Lund suggestions, to be a path for gaining youth input in a quantitative fashion. Social media will be a tool for us to provide young people who are “yet to become organized” an easy first step towards participation.

We see several pathways for youth from different backgrounds to take part in developing and implementing the program. We want young people to DO and not just PARTTAKE. By creating a structure that promotes youth self-organization. The municipality should mainly play the role of facilitator, to let NGOs be the creators. In this process we must be responsive to the fact that commitment comes in many shapes and forms, one size does not fit all. Furthermore, youth involvement inspires more youth involvement. The influence forums have proven to be a way in for young people who initially did not expect to be involved to find a sense of belonging and purpose through the commitment of others. The influence forums are already established arenas for youth participation and could easily be developed to include a diverse group of young people in both the planning and implementation of the program. The Youth ombud are important actors and are developing school workshops concerning the program and participation. Many of the workshops will be held at schools with many “not yet organized youths” in the rural and socio-economically vulnerable areas, and in classes for young people with disabilities. The Youth ombud intend to develop a competence development activity for project management and event planning, within the scope of the municipal program for paid internships (see question 1). This activity is intended to promote young people’s self-organization in the EYC program. We chose to seek out a partnership with LSU early in the process to gain input from a national level on how to involve young people. Our intention is for youth events - meaning youth owned, lead, and organized - to make up most of the events. To make this happen the municipality must further develop the cooperation with NGOs. We are currently investigating the possibility to undergo a partnership with independent foundations to secure financial means for NGOs wishing to host events in 2026. Another funding possibility is the Young leads young grant (see Annex V). To further solidify youth involvement in the EYC program we vow to form a youth program committee. The committee will include individuals, representatives from NGOs and student associations. The committee will be integrated in the preexisting management structure (see question 7) and have a large influence over the final product.

The program will rest upon the focal points for Lund’s candidacy. The ambition for youth involvement in the development and implementation of the program is in line with focal point 1. To use the focal points as an outline for the program increases the possibility for long-term effects and ensures the connection to European youth policies and current global issues (see question 2). The local municipal policies, action plans and programs relevant for Lund’s candidacy (see question 1) are compatible with national policies and European policies. The action plans and programs are harmonized with the requirement for Quality Youth Policy Standards listed in the EYC Policy Toolkit. The EYC process and program will entail young volunteers and youth workers. The Swedish labor laws are comprehensive. However, Lund recognizes the importance of consulting the European policies for youth work and volunteering. We will therefore follow the European Charter on Local Youth Work, The Council of Europe Youth Work Portfolio and The European Charter on the Rights and Responsibilities of Volunteers (EYC policy toolkit). Finally, Lund shares the position of the European Youth Forum’s understanding that new approaches can develop stronger agents of change regarding the sustainability crisis (EYC policy toolkit). To promote a European identity, we must ensure that young people from Europe feel welcome. Hence, all information online will be available in

English. Lund have several partnerships for promoting European identity and values (see question 1). It is one of Lund's ambitions to strengthen our ties to the continent. We expect an increased focus on European values in youth services and an expansion of exchange programs. Lund have just joined a project application in the EU program *Interreg South Baltic* together with cities and universities in Denmark, Germany, Poland, and Lithuania. The project aims at the exchange of experience and the joint development of influence forums and work with the implementation of the EU's youth strategy. Our goal is that Lund will be hosting European conferences in 2026 and look forward to welcoming delegations from Europe. The program will attract an international crowd by offering exiting events, such as the Lunda carnival and Youth parliament, and co-learning events such as conferences, study visits and workshops. In summation: a visit to Lund will be worth the train ride!

Lund's strategical location and infrastructure gives us ample opportunities for attracting communities and youth from surrounding areas. Not to mention the large portion of students who lives in neighboring regions. Lund is a member of several regional and international networks (see question 1-3). We have several regional partnerships and intended to use our membership in the cooperation organization Greater Copenhagen which operates in southern Sweden and eastern Denmark to reach more young people. Several of the NGOs, like Tamam, in Lund have regional and national presence. Our collaboration with LSU is a channel for involving the national NGO-community. Furthermore, we consider the issues Lund intend to engage within the scope of the EYC to be issues young people and communities in the region, Sweden and Europe can relate to. Finally, Lund's capacity to welcome and involve a diverse youth community is good. Lund is an international city; with home language classes in 60 different languages. As EYC-host we have a responsibility to extend invitations and facilitate events that will inspirer communities and youth in its surrounding areas to become involved. However, we intend to facilitate exchanges with other parts of the region. We cannot wait for young people to come to us, we must go the distance!

IMPACT AND LONG-TERM LEGACY (5)

There is a war on our continent, we are on the brink of a recession and an even more unstable labor market, the climate is a momentous issue, democratic values are tested. But it is our conviction that international collaboration and communication equals joy, development, hope and belief in the future, particularly in times of crisis. To be EYC would give us the opportunity to carry on the discussion on how we can strengthen youth influence and participation at the European level. We must press on to ensure that the rights of young people of today are respected, that their needs are satisfied by unleashing their potential. Youth empowerment and strategies based on young people's experiences, needs and knowledge will ensure effective sustainable strategies. Yes, young people are the future, but they are also an indispensable part of the solution right now!

Lund, and Sweden, has enjoyed a long tradition of cherishing child and youth rights and opportunities. Lund has come a long way with a clear ambition to reach as large and diverse a proportion of young people as possible, regardless of gender, belief, sexual orientation, origin, or disability. Lund aims to be a leader. The EYC is a platform to share knowledge and experiences with other actors in Sweden and Europe. We have a lot to give, yet a lot to learn. We need to fortify our European partnerships and wish to be inspired by the work and mindset of others. Our goal is co-learning. We will reach this goal through educational activities and experience exchanges between decision-makers, young people, NGOs, and municipal officials. This ambition has led Lund to join a new Interreg project (see question 4). To become EYC would further strengthen Lund's position as a youth city. Our focal points and ambitions lay a foundation for the activities we intend to do as EYC, and they will live on after 2026. They will contribute to increased goal achievement for many of the municipality's sustainability goals. To prevent mental health issues, bridge the gap between city and rural areas, increase the efforts for a more inclusive leisure time for all and promoting an increased employment rate among young people are issues the municipality will work with in both the short and long

perspective, even if we do not get the privilege of calling ourselves EYC. These are issues young people prioritize, and we need to work together to reach long term success. To be awarded the title would, however, give us a great boost.

In the year 2031, we will have implemented a more seamless way to integrate the needs of young people in our decision-making and operational processes. The YPP will spearhead the integration of youth influence and participation. All action plans (see question 1) will be revised 2028, giving us a good opportunity to incorporate the lessons learned from 2026. We believe that new innovative successful pathways for increasing the mental health among young people, and that the stigma surrounding mental health issues will be decreased. The gap between the city and rural areas will be diminished and young people feel a togetherness no matter where they live. We also predict that more young people and young adults will consider their leisure time to be meaningful regardless of their background or socio-economic conditions. Youth unemployment will be a thing of the past – youth in Lund who have the ability must be self-sufficient, regardless of whether this means employment, entrepreneurship, or education.

Lund municipality has very rigid monitoring structures. We measure progress on our aims and political decisions in our annual financial statements. We look at activities, results, and impacts both short and long term. Our efforts to become EYC will be monitored within these pre-existing structures. If Lund becomes EYC we will continuously evaluate our actions by external evaluators, because there are great merits in having an outside party review and analyze what we do. We are very keen to learn from the monitoring and evaluations made or planned by other EYC winners, to be able to improve and modify our efforts accordingly. We are also particularly keen to evaluate young people's actual sense of participation in the processes that we will operate within the framework of being EYC, and to achieve this an external party is required - meaning Tamam, other NGOs, and young people. This will include both qualitative and quantitative monitoring methods. LSU will function as a national civil society representative. Moreover, we have extensive experience in working with companion in research, and here it is a strength that we have Sweden's foremost university in our city!

YOUTH PARTICIPATION (6)

Lund's application is a statement from the local government that they are willing to invest in Lund as youth city. This can only become true if young people share the ownership of EYC. Lund's candidacy is a joint effort by the municipality, youth NGOs and young people. Our guiding principle has from the start been: *about young people, with young people!* This ambition is guarded by the cornerstones: Tamam, the Youth ombud, the influence forums, the close cooperation between the municipality, schools, and the university, the daily youth services and the well-functioning relationship between the municipality and NGOs. Furthermore, Lund have a long history of working together with young people and organize large events, but we intend to use this opportunity to develop even further. Therefore, we are thrilled to have Tamam as co-applicant! Tamam is a national non-profit, non-religious and non-partisan youth organization, founded in 2008 in Lund. Tamam works with and for kids, youth and young adults aiming for diversity, anti-racism and strengthening young people's social involvement. Tamam works with community, youth participation, inclusion and to create conditions for youth to meet, get to know one another and become friends. See Annex VII for more information.

The initial main strategy for involving youth and NGOs was to have EYC as the theme for influence forums during the fall of 2022. The Youth ombud also did school visits and talked to young people with disabilities about EYC. The interactions revealed that Lund's candidacy was supported by NGOs and young people. In addition, it gave the municipality an opportunity to map what young people would want the EYC-year to be; something that had a lasting effect on their lives, not just a one-time thing. The choice to approach LSU early in the application process also resulted in valuable insights regarding youth empowerment. The Youth ombud

will continue to use the influence forums as a basis for EYC input. The strategies outlined in question 4 regarding how to reach and involve young people from diverse backgrounds in the program are the same core strategies we intend to use to involve young people in general, from start to finish! The importance of collaboration with NGOs, schools, the university, and youth services cannot be understated. We must also ensure that we are sensitive towards the different needs and capacities young people have. To be engaged in the EYC process should feel rewarding and empowering for the individual regardless of one's background.

To explore and evolve new methods of youth involvement will be an important part of Lund's EYC journey, and it is our strong belief that the application and planning process will serve as an innovation platform. Tamam plays an integral part of the current management structure and participates on equal terms. However, this is simply the beginning - if we win, the management structure will be strengthened with a program committee (see question 4). We will invite more young people, student associations and NGOs to take up positions within the management structure. If we win, we will make sure that youth representatives are included in all official EYC contexts and young people will have a voice! We consider the hosting of the European Youth Forum's Statutory Meeting together with the European Youth Capital Award Ceremony as a great opportunity to involve young people in both planning and execution of the events. As a host, Lund will ensure the participation of young people through, for example, internships, labor market employments and volunteer work. In the EYC follow up phase young people and youth NGOs will be involved in the evaluation tools (question 5). The program committee will take part in evaluating and follow up the EYC program impact. The Youth ombud will continue to organize influence forums and facilitate a youth influence induced follow up phase. To ensure quantitative data regarding youth sense of participation and experience we will conduct a survey together with involved NGOs and other actors. We expect EYC to work as a catalyst for developing the way we work with youth participation – meaning that youth influence and the EYC legacy will be incorporated in future youth policies.

MANAGEMENT (7)

The political decision to apply to become EYC 2026 was made by the City Executive Committee in Lund, and the basis for their decision derived from the support from young people of Lund (see question 1). The current political structure consists of the City Executive Committee, the Culture and leisure committee and the Education committee and is continuously updated of the progress to secure political support.

There is also a *steering committee* represented by directors and department heads of culture and leisure, development, international relations, education, and youth policy. Tamam is an integral part of the steering committee, and the committee is ultimately responsible for the progress of the work. It makes decisions of a larger scope regarding, for example, content and budget. *The project working group* makes up the operational part of the management structure. The project working group is made up by representatives from Tamam and municipal officials from different municipal departments (education, support for autism and other neuropsychiatric disabilities, culture and leisure, external relations, social and ecological sustainability, and labor market). To further solidify the youth influence, the Youth ombud is a part of the project working group. The project working group is, in cooperation with youth NGOs and young people, responsible for developing the proposed program, partnerships and different forms of financing opportunities for planned activities.

Finally, Lund municipality is used to working in project form, across administrative and organizational boundaries. For us, it is particularly important to work together with the target groups affected. It has therefore been important for us to have our co-applicant Tamam represented in our various steering and working groups at an early stage. We also see it as a goal to include more civil society and youth representation in the management structure. This is only the beginning! The municipality will facilitate and empower youth NGOs, mainly by assisting with administration and logistics. The municipality will also front all costs associated

to the application process and will compensate NGOs who invest their time, knowledge, and resources to work with the application. We see the level of participation from youth NGOs to grow during this EYC process. Lund's candidacy has enjoyed an enthusiastic response from local, regional, and national civil society (Annex II), and discussions of collaboration on numerous levels and in various forms are ongoing. We do this together, or not at all!

Although the above-mentioned steering committee is ultimately responsible, our entire approach is based on a co-creative perspective where we will involve as large a part of the target group as possible. Civil society has played a major role in Sweden for well over a century and Lund is no different. We are proud of our local civil society with over 500 NGOs. Many of them are run by young people. Commitment is not in short supply; however, money and time can often be an obstacle. Hence, the municipality's actions will, at large, be of enabling nature to support, assist with coordination, and enhance the possibilities for various NGOs to come together and impact the EYC process. Our application process is something that will grow and develop over time. To have Tamam as co-applicants secures youth influence, but the first application is only the seed, the foundation for closer cooperation with youth organizations and young people. At this stage we have involved young people through the preexisting Influence forums, initiated dialogues with various NGOs and networks which in some way targets youth and young adults. LSU have, in addition to officially support the application, interacted with their member organizations on Lund's behalf, to form a basis for the program based on young people's needs and wishes. We have also initiated collaboration with the University associations and student associations, gained support from the umbrella organization for social NGOs within the Lund municipality (LIPS), and established contact with Visit Lund, Region Skåne, the County Administrative Board Skåne and The Swedish Agency for Youth and Civil Society (MUCF). We have also received positive indications from private foundations regarding the possibility to support NGO activities. However, this is just the beginning and an ongoing process. Our intent is to establish more contacts with local, regional, and national actors - the seed will only continue to grow.

We recognize both the importance and the possible challenge to involve young people from marginalized and disadvantaged backgrounds in a meaningful way. It is our ambition that every young person in Lund will feel represented in the EYC process and as relayed more in detail in question 4 and 6, we consider our chances to succeed in this regard to be good. By close cooperations with schools, youth services, university associations and by social media. By engaging NGOs that focus on marginalized youth, like Tamam, we increase their ownership over the process. The municipality have a strong history of collaboration with organizations of this kind. One example is Eos Cares (a part of LIPS), that works a lot with refugees and young migrants. Moreover, the municipality have preexisting structures and services aimed towards empowering disenfranchised or marginalized youth, such as young people with disabilities and unemployed youth (see question 1). However, we are aware that we have a greater challenge with reaching other young people, such as young adults who lack obvious means of self-support, young people who belong to minorities, or young people from certain socio-economic conditions who are simply not organized in any way. We need to do more and stand ready to do the work!

BUDGET INDICATIONS (8)

We anticipate a EYC budget of approximately 10 million Euro, including preparation, implementation and follow up of the EYC year. Currently we expect the municipality to commit 49% of the overall budget (consisting of both allocated personnel and cash financing), roughly divided in half from today's existing activities and the other half as new funds. The municipality's financial commitment will be directed as follows: 1) to develop and modify existing efforts and events to fit in the EYC context, such as an extended Youth parliament including European delegates, 2) to entirely new program activities such as the intended annual youth festival and the hosting of the European Youth Forum events, 3) to build an

infrastructure to help facilitate NGOs in the different planning and implementation stages of the EYC process, and 4) for monitoring and evaluating the European Youth Capital year.

The rest of the budget is expected to consist of 4-5% commitment from local and regional NGOs (working hours), 15-16% from private foundations and 20-21% from national governmental and non-governmental organisations, and 10-11% from external funding such as EU-projects (Interreg South Baltic, Erasmus+) and similar Swedish project funding. As stated in question 3, Lund have already joined a project application in the EU program Interreg South Baltic, with focus on the implementation of the EU's youth strategy at the local level. We are also in dialogue with potential partners at local, national, and international level and have already formalized partnerships with some. MUCF, LSU and Lund University are some of the partners we consider especially important as they in various ways can assist in attracting European/international conferences or activities to Lund in 2026. We will also aim to collaborate with the cooperation organization *Greater Copenhagen* (of which we are a member), which operates in southern Sweden and eastern Denmark, with a focus on growth and development in the Nordic region's largest metropolitan region with 4.4 million inhabitants. We are also in dialogue with various private foundations to investigate possible cooperation and co-financing for NGOs engaging in the EYC journey. At this early stage we are delighted by the private foundations encouraging feedback, and it should be noted that the response towards Lund's candidacy has been unanimously positive. The annual municipal expenses for youth efforts/activities have over the last five years been an estimated 7,2 million Euros, which constitutes approx. 1% of the municipality's annual budget. However, it is difficult to provide exact and completely fair numbers, as many of Lund's youth efforts are included within ordinary municipal activities rather than separately reported projects. The estimated 7,2 million Euro consist solely of efforts and activities that are specifically aimed at young people but not statutorily mandated for the municipality, meaning the number does not include pre-school, elementary school and upper secondary school which lies within the municipality's responsibility. Measures covered within these expenses are mainly, although not exclusively, directed towards the municipality's citizens, and some of them are not suitable for adapting to an EYC-program. This means that the current budget for youth cannot entirely be used as part of the municipal financial commitment, which is also stated above.

EUROPEAN YOUTH FORUM EVENTS (9)

Lund would be honoured to welcome and host European Youth Forum's Statutory Meeting together with the European Youth Capital Award Ceremony! We have a well proven and developed organization that can project manage and produce events both on a smaller and larger scale, including lightning, stage design, decoration, sound, video, and other necessary technical competence. Ecological, economic, and social sustainability are examples of criteria that according to Lund's event and meeting strategy must be met, and these principles will of course guide our hosting. Lund offers 1,750 hotel rooms to choose from. For the Statuary Meeting and the Award Ceremony, the municipality of Lund will accommodate official delegates and guests, members of the board and staff for the Forum at centrally located hotels, preferably with environmental certification and/or actively sustainable products and solutions. Lund municipality's travel policy states that travelling should always make as little impact on the environment as possible, while cost-efficiency, time consumption and safety must also be considered. As we will hopefully not be the one's travelling during the 2026 Statuary Meeting and Award Ceremony, we intend to follow the travel policy guidelines in our hosting. The municipality of Lund will make sure to offer the most suitable local transport service to official delegates and guests, members of the board and staff for the Forum. Moreover, Lund has a variety of event facilities suitable for the Award Ceremony. Lund can also offer a plethora of amenities suitable for the Statuary Meeting and peripheral activities. Please see question 3 for further information, and rest assured that Lund will meet all logistical requirements, create events rich of content and worthy of a European Youth Capital!

ANNEXES (10)

ANNEX I: Written proof of the town or city's interest in running for EYC 2026. Signed by Anders Almgren, Mayor/Chair of the City Executive Committee.
ANNEX II: Signed and stamped statement of support by 3 independent local and national youth councils: The umbrella organization for social NGOs within the Lund municipality (LIPS); The National Council of Swedish Children – and Youth Organizations (LSU); The joint university student associations (AFKKLUS).
ANNEX III: A signed copy of the legal terms and conditions of the competition for the European Youth Capital. Signed by Anders Almgren, Mayor/Chair of the City Executive Committee, and Christoffer Nilsson, Chief Executive Officer.
ANNEX IV: A proof of the bank transfer of the application fee of €300.
ANNEX V: References and additional information A-Z.
ANNEX VI: Statement of support from co-applicant Tamam.
ANNEX VII: A message from co-applicant Tamam.
ANNEX VIII: Proposed EYC-program activities.
ANNEX IX: Letter of support from the Lund UN association.
ANNEX X: Images.