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Flying Facts

What are your first thoughts and emotions after Day one?

„At first I was nervous and also a bit sceptical. Now after Day one I have come to the conclusion that the YPAC is a great community of young people and I am glad to have the opportunity to work on this project“

Hannes Holzeisen

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Merano/Meran at a glance

Merano/Meran is after Bolzano the largest city of the province of south Tyrol with about 40,000 inhabitants. There are two main languages, German and Italian and 16% of the population are from other international countries. The city is very famous due to the fact that it is located in the heart of the Alps and it still has Mediterranean climate. In the past Merano/Meran hosted famous people like Empress Elisabeth from Austria and Queen of Hungary also named "Sissi". Nowadays famous people and people with lung problems spend their vacation here, for the reason that the city has fresh and healing air. Merano/Meran is also well known for the possibility to do many outdoor activities. A popular touristic destination are the gardens of "Schloss Trauttmansdorf" or the "Sissi Promenade". In the winter you can enjoy the beautiful Christmas market where you can buy many traditional things such as "Speck" or handmade things like socks and gloves. The other seasons the town holds many concerts and different events for young and old people for example "Asphaltart" and the annual "Wine Festival".

By Ida Zöschg, Viktoria Fleischmann

Committee 1

The committee that worries about Ecology will convey all the meanings that this word combines, so they will have to talk about both how humans relate to nature, but also how humans protect nature and that is where things get tricky.

First of all the committee will discuss about the fact that not only humans are affected by climate change but also flora and fauna keep getting more and more endangered, which can be a consequence of constantly changing environmental conditions (such as temperature extremes).

Secondly they will talk (not only talk about nature and its problems but also) about cities, which on one hand try to solve the situation reflecting on their wrong behaviors and by creating things like urban gardens and, on the other hand, they are one of the causes of climate change itself. Despite their efforts, some problems like pollution are still very serious, even if there have been protests against the authorities because of the fact that pollution is a very tangible problem that people experience every day.

All in all this committee is going to elaborate on this subject while evaluating the pros and cons of the coexistence of humans and nature in this problematic situation.

By Alice Andrea Dall'Alba



Committee 2

While the climate keeps on changing, people are facing different challenges in order to be healthy. This is the topic the members of the second committee are discussing.

Of course, new problems develop along with global warming, for example its negative influence on elderly people, babies and fragile people in general or air and water pollution.

The committee members also talk about the increasing number of tropical diseases brought by insects which are starting to feel more comfortable because of high temperatures even at nighttime.

All of the four different committees try to find solutions for these problems to improve life on earth.

By Leonhard Schroeder



Committee 3

War, dictatorship and poverty are causing a lot of migration. Migration, however, is not only a consequence of political or economic issues, but also of climate change. Due to drought, famine or other natural disasters, more and more people have to leave their home countries. Therefore there are some essential questions we need to talk about.

The task of Committee 3 is to discuss issues like how to deal appropriately and above all in a human way with climate refugees and how to guarantee their rights to live in healthy conditions and in a safe environment. Regarding refugee camps for instance, media do not always show properly the circumstances in which people have to live there. But as members of a democracy we have to ensure basic rights for everyone, particularly when it comes to life conditions.

Furthermore, Committee 3 will also discuss how laws and regulations can be made more binding. Additionally, they will focus on how to promote sustainability over generations, strengthen solidarity within the alpine regions and ensure rights for future generations.

The discussion will be one of several important steps towards coping with climate refugees.

By Lisa-Maria Lux



Committee 4

Ten days ago youth from all around the world joined the movement “Fridays for future”. Countless young people went to streets and took action spreading the voice of their own opinion and demands about climate change and its consequences. But we all know, a peaceful protest like that is not

enough. Our politicians need initiatives from people with exact and clearly defined goals, proposals and fresh energy in particular. The term “people” refers to us: the youth. But if we want to achieve the respect and equal value of our voice, we have to dare a lot and act accordingly. First of all, the awareness of the current situation and possibilities one has should be raised enormously. How the youth should be approached and encouraged to become politically active, what power

everybody has and what is there to be improved: These are the key questions all delegates from committee 4 deal with this week. We are looking forward to reading their postulations on this hot topic and really hope for their further implementation on local, national or transnational level.

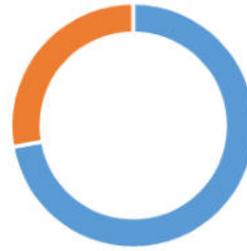
By Maja Toni

Diary of the Delegation

The beautiful Italian country is represented by two delegations: the one from Bassano Del Grappa and of course the one from Meran/Merano, our host town. On this page we'd like to show you the Italian YPAC-members captured in some simple circular charts.

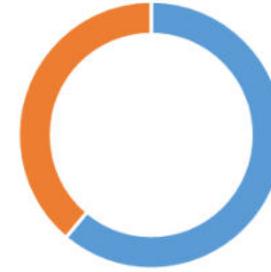
By Katharina Wimmer, Meriem Jebali

Gender



■ Girls ■ Boys

City



■ Merano ■ Bassano del Grappa



Age



■ 15 ■ 16 ■ 17 ■ 18 ■ 19

Positions



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 ■ Delegate/ platform future
 ■ Presidents
 ■ CPs

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your math exam



during the YPAC

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FROM ITALY

FROM AUSTRIA

FROM FRANCE

FROM GERMANY

FROM NETHERLANDS

FROM SWITZERLAND

FROM SLOVENIA

when someone criticizes
your idea



but you know
it's the best one



finally

it's coffee break