



# Digital Energy Forum 2020 of the EYP

*“We choose to go for climate neutrality in 2050, and do the other things. Not because they are easy, but because they are hard. Because that challenge is one that we are willing to accept. One we are unwilling to postpone. And one which we intend to win.”*

European Commission Vice-President Frans Timmermans said this when he presented the European Green Deal to the European Parliament.

Are you willing to accept the challenge?

## What is the Digital Energy Forum?

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Before the world came to a standstill due to a health-related crisis, the hot topic was how to transition to a greener Europe, and simultaneously ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all, as laid down in the [Sustainable Development Goals](#). The EYP network has shown before that the COVID-19 crisis does not stop them from gathering. Now is the time to show that it does not stop them from taking care of our environment and sustainability and brainstorming on ways how to achieve carbon-neutrality by 2050, as called for by the [European Green Deal](#).

If you are interested in the **Energy Transition** and the **impact of energy policy on climate change**, this event is for **you!** The Digital Energy Forum will be a unique platform for young people to come together and share their ideas, ignite debate, and put their heads together to make our energy future sustainable.

The Digital Energy Forum of the EYP will take place within the framework of the [Power Shifts Project](#), supported by the [Innogy Foundation for Energy and Society](#). It will be an event dedicated entirely to energy-related topics, including thematic dimensions such as:

- **#ACCESS:** ensuring access to energy for all
- **#TRANSITION:** enabling transition to renewable energy
- **#EFFICIENCY:** improving energy efficiency
- **#MOBILITY:** decarbonising transport
- **#CLIMATE:** reaching carbon-neutrality by 2050
- **#SAFETY:** nuclear safety
- **#AUTONOMY:** lowering energy dependency

The Digital Energy Forum will take today's questions and give youth a platform to envision solutions for future action to make our planet more sustainable. As a young person participating in this event, you can



expect to interact with others bringing diverse perspectives, engage with experts, decision-makers, and professionals working in energy-related sectors, and come up with solutions to incredibly complex topics from the comfort of your own home!

## Format

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The Digital Energy Forum will take place between **16th - 19th of July 2020** and is head-organised by Sofia Magopoulou (GR), presided by Jasa Levstik (SI) and edited by Elena Ignatiadou (GR).

The session will feature innovative approaches to our classic elements, such as academic preparation as well as the committee work. While the focus will not only be given to energy via the committee topics, but a broad range of events is planned, that will enable participants to learn, discuss and brainstorm on solutions for energy related issues.

Energy is a truly complex topic and we want to provide you knowledge and insights on the topic. Therefore on the second day of the Digital Energy Forum you will take part in the **Energy Lab** - full learning day dedicated to various energy issues. At the **Energy Lab** we will focus on gaining new insights on a variety of topics provided by experts and speakers, as well as bringing energy closer to you and your local community.

With the Digital Energy Forum we aspire to educate young people about the importance of being well-informed on such a pressing global issue, along with establishing an open hub. For this forum to actually make a difference, we have to recognise that it has to continue beyond the four days of debate because real change and progress takes time.

In cooperation with the International Office, the Officials' Team is working to provide you with the necessary digital infrastructure and guidance, as well as with any support you need along the way – the rest is up to you!

## Why you should apply to be part of the Forum

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- You will gain new insights on a variety of energy-related issues.
- You will be talking to and connecting with EYPers across the continent.
- It is your opportunity to participate in EYP regardless of your location, decreasing the carbon footprints of a physical session.
- You will help push forward and innovate the EYP network and the Power Shifts project in an increasingly digital age and in the age of climate change.



## Who can apply as a Delegate?

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- EYPers who are interested in energy, climate change, sustainability topics,
- Individuals who are not afraid of challenging themselves and innovate in the online field,
- Those who want to explore the possibilities of digital tools in times of social distancing,
- Everyone who is available to take part in the session for 4 days (16-19 July).

## Key facts

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- Digital Energy Forum of the EYP!
- The session will be organised from the **16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of July 2020**
- It will take place using digital platform(s), such as Zoom video conferencing and other web-based tools
- Energy related events, such as the **Energy Lab** will accompany our classic EYP Formats.

If you want to participate in the event, please apply here by the **29<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020**:

<https://members.eyp.org/node/160164/apply/delegate>

If you want to participate in the event and you have not signed up to the Members' Platform, please apply here by the **29<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020**:

<https://forms.gle/j38jNnx9RjWuw8ub6>