

**REGULATION OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD
OF THE JULIAN PREALPS NATURE REGIONAL PARK**

ARTICLE 1 – ESTABLISHMENT

Pursuant to the “Revised European Charter of the Participation of Young People in Local and Regional Life” (adopted by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe on 21 May 2003), the Youth Advisory Board of the Julian Prealps nature regional Park (hereinafter Youth Advisory Board) is hereby established as an autonomous body aimed at making room, giving voice and representation to the young people of the municipalities concerned by the Julian Prealps nature regional Park.

ARTICLE 2 – VALUES AND REFERENCE OPERATING PROCEDURES

The values and the reference operating procedures of the Youth Advisory Board are:

- Awareness and active participation of young generations, in a process of inclusion that facilitates their integration into society and the enhancement of their interests;
- Learning, as a process of continuous improvement of knowledges and abilities; opportunity that everyone should have, in order to understand and appreciate the world around us;
- Responsibility of today’s generations towards the future ones, in order that their needs, freedoms and interests will be preserved while respecting the environment and the cultural heritage;
- Cultural heritage, in all its meanings: tangible, intangible, landscape, natural heritage; seen as a mean to create the identity of community and to combine past, present and future generations;
- Communication as a useful tool of exchange and sharing to create a connection between different municipalities;
- International, national and local cooperation as a key factor in preserving, promoting and transmitting the natural and cultural heritage.

ARTICLE 3 – PURPOSES

The Youth Advisory Board is a consultative body of the Julian Prealps nature regional Park and his purposes are:

- To play a consultative and proactive role into the Park’s decision-making process;
- To promote the active participation of young people into territorial activities;
- Encourage the relation between youth living within the Park’s municipalities;
- To widen the local knowledge of young people;
- To plan activities that could bring youth closer to the reality of the Park;
- To identify the most appropriate forms of organization and communication, in order to involve youth and promote activities;
- To promote cultural exchanges with young people from other protected areas;
- To strengthen a transboundary collaboration with the Triglav National Park;
- To actively contribute to the writing of youth projects related to protected areas;
- To manage the annual available budget assigned by the Park Authority or by other funding forms.

In the event that a “Julian Prealps” MAB Unesco Biosphere Reserve Youth Advisory Board will be established, the current Youth Advisory Board will represent also its funding core.

ARTICLE 4 – COMPONENTS

All the young people between 16 and 30 years old who live in the municipalities located within the Park's territory can be part of the Youth Advisory Board. In order to become a member, it is necessary to present the application. The form is available on the Park's institutional website or can be alternatively required at the Park headquarters.

The application requests and the nomination of new members will be formalized by a decree from the Director of the Park Authority.

The participation in the activities is completely personal, non-remunerated and promoted by a sense of cooperation and fairness.

ARTICLE 5 – ESTABLISHMENT

For its establishment, the Youth Advisory Board is convened by the President of the Park Authority who, in this occasion, according to the majority of votes of those present, designates a Spokesperson and a Vice-Spokesperson.

ARTICLE 6 – SPOKESPERSON

The Spokesperson has to:

- Maintain the relations with the outside, in particular with the Park Authority;
- Convene the Youth Advisory Board.

The Spokesperson is in charge for one year and cannot be reelected for the following mandate.

Territorial belonging and gender equality will be considered as a reference criteria for the designation of the Spokespersons.

In case of absence or impediment, the Vice-Spokesperson replaces the Spokesperson.

ARTICLE 7 – FUNCTIONING

The convening of the Youth Advisory Board can be required, whenever necessary, by the Spokesperson, by more than half of the Youth Advisory Board or by the Park Authority.

The convening can be also defined using social media.

Every meeting will have to be recorded writing a summary and serially numbered report.

The decisions of the Youth Advisory Board will be taken according to the majority of the votes of those present. In the event of a tie, the vote of the Spokesperson in charge will be decisive.

The Youth Advisory Board has discretion in the matter of planning thematic working tables, in order to discuss and deepen some specific topics. According to the numbers and conditions determined by the Youth Advisory Board, only the members of it will be given the permission to attend these meetings.

In the face of a specific demand and a clear designated use of the funds, the Park Authority annually assigns a share of its budget to the Youth Advisory Board for its functioning.

Moreover, the Park Authority makes its appropriate venues available for the meetings of the Youth Advisory Board.

The Park Authority has a discretion in the matter of suspending the Youth Advisory Board whenever this one would somehow compromise the image of the Park or of its territory.

ARTICLE 8 – CHANGES TO THE REGULATION

Any modification of the current regulation will have to be approved by the Governing Council of the Park Authority and after the judgement of the Youth Advisory Board itself.

ARTICLE 9 – FINAL PROVISIONS

For all and any matters not expressly provided for herein, see existing legislations and regulations.