

# AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE EU DEMOCRACY RALLY ACTIVITY



#### Title:

As many people as possible



#### **Objectives**

- Introduction to the topic of participation (getting to know different forms of political and social participation)
- Getting to know each other



### Methods (discussion, role play, etc.):

- Ice-breaker
- Group work



#### Time format:

About 20 minutes



#### Democracy skills addressed:

- Team-building
- Awareness of rights
- Awareness of human rights

## Age group:

From 16 years. Cards can be adapted also for younger ones.

# Number of participants:

10 to 30 participants

# Necessary materials/software:

Cut the "As many people as possible" copy into strips. You can also create your own "As many people as possible" cards with other questions or new topics.

#### Sources:

Resilience against anti-democratic tendencies through education. Handbook for Youthand Social Workers (2021), p. 20-21 (slightly adapted) www.isp.org.pl/en/publications/resilience-against-anti-democratic-tendencies-through-education



## Description (process):

- Each participant gets one of the "As many as possible" cards.
- Everybody reflects on the own card for a short moment.
  - What is my personal experience?
  - Do I know the answer?.
- Then the participants work in pairs. First, they discuss the cards. Those who don't know the answers the questions (some of them are knowledge-based), can get them from the trainer or look them up online.
- The pairs now start the "find as many as possible" part: They talk to everybody in the room. The pairs have to memorize how many people were able to answer their questions. For this step, the pairs move around in the room.
- Give the pairs a maximum of ten minutes for their search. Then ask participants to sit down again.
- Reflection possible questions:
  - Who has identified the most/least people for his/her card?
  - What was your concrete question/task? Two or three pairs can read theirs out loud.
  - o For which question/task was it rather difficult to find someone, for which one was it easy?
  - Were there any surprising results?





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Find as many people as possible who know the tasks of a parliament.
Find as many people as possible who know which party their parents vote for.
Find as many people as possible who have been on a demonstration.
Find as many people as possible who are a member of a party, an NGO, a special interest group or an association.
Find as many people as possible who can explain why we pay taxes.
Find as many people as possible who know three EU-institutions.
Find as many people as possible who can name at least two human rights.
Find as many people as possible who have ever joined a WhatsApp or Facebook group with political content.
Find as many people as possible who know the difference between a party and an NGO.

Find as many people as possible who watch the news regularly.



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Find as many people as possible who have already participated in a participatory project at a local or regional level.
Find as many people as possible who know the number of member states in the EU.
Find as many people as possible who know at least three (national or international) politicians.
Find as many people as possible who know when the human rights declaration came into effect.
Find as many people as possible who have ever written a letter to the editor of a newspaper on a political topic.
Find as many people as possible who know in which EU-countries you can vote at the age of 16.
Find as many people as possible who participated in an online election.
Find as many people as possible who are committed to environmental protection.

Find as many people as possible who are committed to human rights.

Find as many people as possible who pay attention to fair trade when buying goods.