



When a space becomes a place
Network for Citizens' participation in preserving
and valorising EU fundamental rights through
participatory public art

Art4Rights

EU CHART ON FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

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Background



The EU is built on fundamental rights, democracy and the rule of law.



Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union provides that "The Union is founded on the values of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities.



These values are common to the Member States in a society in which pluralism, non-discrimination, tolerance, justice, solidarity and equality between women and men prevail".



Background



- The Charter has become legally binding on the EU with the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon, in December 2009.
- The Charter enshrines the fundamental rights people enjoy in the EU.
- It is a modern and comprehensive instrument protecting and promoting people's rights and freedoms in the light of changes in society, social progress and scientific and technological developments.
- The Charter applies in conjunction with national and international fundamental rights protection systems, including the European Convention on Human Rights.

What does it cover?



The Charter contains rights and freedoms under six titles:

DIGNITY, FREEDOMS, EQUALITY, SOLIDARITY,
CITIZENS' RIGHTS AND JUSTICE.



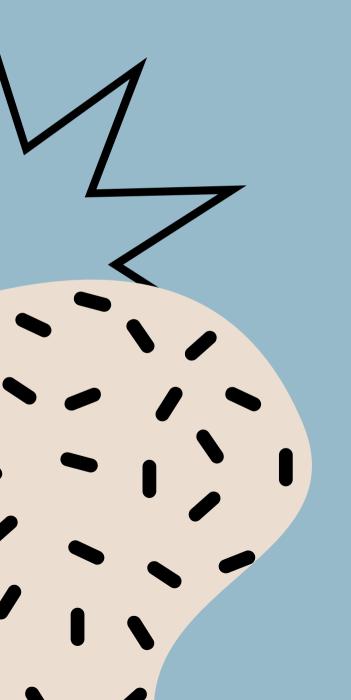
To reflect modern society, the Charter includes 'third generation' fundamental rights, such as:

- data protection
- guarantees on bioethics
- transparent administration



The Charter is promoting the fight against racism and xenophobia, homophobia and the protection of persons belonging to minorities.

Link with Art4Rights project



The definition of common values and rights, valid for more than 450 million people, symbolizes, on the one side, the consolidation of democratic reality for those countries already part of the Union and on the other side, an essential element for the democratic transition for those countries which saw the membership process, a real passage to the acquisition of fundamental rights and freedoms.



Many European citizens are not fully aware of the content of the Charter and as stated in the new Strategy to strengthen the application, it is vital to

"MAKE THE CHARTER A REALITY FOR ALL".



How to act

IN ORDER TO CONCRETISE THESE CONCEPTS IN A BOTTOM – UP PERSPECTIVE, ART4RIGHTS WILL USE THE FULL POTENTIAL OF THE PARTICIPATORY PUBLIC ART METHODOLOGY THROUGH THE IDEA OF TRANSFORMING A "CITY SPACE" INTO A "CITY PLACE" THANKS TO CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION. THIS ACTION WOULD HELP TO MAKE EU RIGHTS AND VALUES MORE TANGIBLE AND PARTICIPATED AMONG CITIZENS.

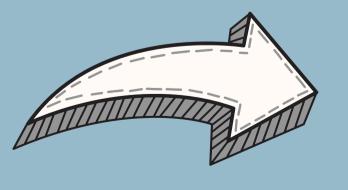
Participatory public art

Ti Fu Juan quotation

when a space becomes familiar, we can call it a place

and the project will proceed with this transformation thanks to citizens' participation working on the values of the EU Charter of fundamental rights

SPACE



Citizens' involvement through participatory public art

PLACE



Project outcomes

Several art installations and products that express the importance of the European rights through the active participation of citizens with a fully adhesion to the participatory public art.







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