

NECE
FESTIVAL
2025

EUROPEAN
FESTIVAL
OF CIVIC
EDUCATION

2-4
SEP'25
OSLO

HOPE

SPACE FOR DIALOGUE
3 Sep | 3:30–4:30 pm
Direktørrommet, Sentralen
with Maja Nenadović

2 SEP | SENTRALEN

MARMORSALEN	
3:00 PM	Open doors Arrive, register & connect
4:00 PM	Welcome to NECE Festival <i>Anne Lindboe, Mayor of Oslo</i>
4:15 PM	Keynote: Hope as a smart strategy for social change <i>Thomas Coombes, creator of the hope-based approach in conversation with invited panellists</i>
5:30 PM	New connections Let's get to know each other
5:45 PM	You set the agenda: Introduction Open space: How it works?
7:00 PM	Eat, meet & explore Action hub for opportunities, innovation and exchange <i>DJ Daeva</i>
8:45 PM	Outlook
9:15 PM	End

3 SEPTEMBER | SENTRALEN

MARMORSALEN		FORSTANDERSKAPSSALEN	KRONESALEN
8:30 AM	Open doors		
9:00 AM	Morning kick-off Wake up & dive in		
9:30 AM	You set the agenda Recap open space & pitches		MASTERCLASS* Imagination Activism
10:00 AM	You set the agenda Open space: Working groups	Global citizenship in a fragmented world Civic education across continents <i>Annie Jieping Zhang, Nowhere Bookstores Thomas Krüger, bpb Sheila Muwanga Nabachwa, CENESA Alessandro Santos, Ministry of Education Brazil</i>	<i>Phoebe Tickell, Moral Imaginations</i> *Pre-registration required
11:00 AM	Spotlight stage New civic education curriculum in Poland. Learning through action.		
11:30 AM	Eat, meet & explore Action hub for opportunities, innovation and exchange		
12:30 PM	Eat, meet & explore Spotlight stage Civic education in practice	Hope in dialogue: Reclaiming democracy through conversation <i>Maja Nenadović DEMOS - Democracy Dialogues</i>	MASTERCLASS* Unlocking citizen power: The three principles of participatory organisations
1:00 PM	You set the agenda Recap open space & pitches		<i>Jon Alexander, New Citizen Project Elliott Goat & Zsofia Banuta, Unhack Democracy</i>
1:30 PM	You set the agenda Open space: Working groups	Hope in dialogue: Good conversation workshop <i>Michał Tragarz Wawrzyniec Smoczyński, The New Community Foundation</i>	*Pre-registration required
2:30 PM	COFFEE BREAK Spotlight stage Promoting democracy online: The power of social media campaigns		
3:00 PM	Spotlight stage Civic education in practice	Lessons of hope: What Ukraine teaches us about democratic resilience	MASTERCLASS* Hope-based communication
3:30 PM	You set the agenda Open space: Working groups	hosted by The European Wergeland Centre	<i>Thomas Coombes, creator of the hope-based approach Kristin Dannevig, Hope-based Collective</i>
4:00 PM	Spotlight stage Civic education in practice	Lessons of hope: 22nd July	*Pre-registration required
4:30 PM	You set the agenda Open space: Working groups	hosted by The European Wergeland Centre	
5:00 PM	Wrap-up & outlook		
5:30 PM	BREAK		

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7:00 PM	Culinary networking Meet & eat
8:00 PM	Ground-up democracy: European youth voices & Norway's citizens assemblies
8:45 PM	Art performance
9:15 PM	Closing mingling
10:00 PM	End

4 SEP | SENTRALEN

MARMORSALEN	
9:00 AM	Open doors
9:30 AM	Morning kick-off Wake up & dive in
10:00 AM	You set the agenda Open space: Summary & outcomes
10:45 AM	Gallery walk Grab a coffee & read more about the open space outcomes
11:15 AM	Closing keynote: Hope for grown-ups <i>Philipp Blom, historian, writer and broadcaster in conversation with invited panellists</i>
12:30 PM	Outlook NECE 2026 & farewell
12:45 PM	Closing moments Mingling, lunch & networking
2:30 PM	End