

Exercise: EU regional policy in quotes

Overview

- Grade: from 10th grade
- School form: general and vocational schools
- Duration: 45-60 min
- Method: mind map
- Subject: EU areas of tension
- Subjects: Politics,
- Operators: analyse, interpret
- Group size: minimum of four people
- Social form: group work

Description

- This workshop introduces students to the topic of EU regional policy through various quotes and encourages them to take a critical perspective and reflect on it.

Learning objectives

- Students learn about different perspectives on EU regional policy.
- Students learn to analyse and interpret quotations.

Materials:

1. Quotes (printed)
2. Pens and posters

Preparations

1. Print out the quotes and prepare a poster for each group.

Procedure

1. Each group is assigned one of the quotes and asked to create a mind map for it. The following questions/suggestions can be considered:
 - How is the EU described in each quote?
 - What role do citizens play in the quotes?
 - Rewrite the quote, e.g. so that it means the opposite. How is the EU now described and what role is then attributed to the citizens?
2. Discussion: At the end of the working phase, the quotes and their similarities/differences can be discussed in plenary.

Time table

1. Explanation of the exercise - 5 min
2. Analysing and interpreting the quotes - 20 to 40 min
3. Discussion in plenary - 10 to 20 min