



**“Karelia –  
should I stay or should I go?”**

# Holistic approach to youth policy

- collective strategy
  - addressing urban and rural societies as well as academic and non-academic sphere, attempting for the combination of specific needs on specific
- common database, connecting projects via (social) media, channeling information with regards to youth policy
- Forum: open round-tables of different initiatives, political actors and youth bodies
  - e.g. “Market of Youth Organizations”, “Day of Open Doors”
  - more regular meetings

## How attract people staying in Karelia and reintegrate the people returning from emigration

- Accept and inform about the motivation & effects of emigration
- Dealing with migration – Mitigation & adaptation
  - cost of living / property prices / renting
  - scholarship program based on local business connection
  - adapt the content of studies to the needs of local employers
  - much to offer from a cultural (opera, theater etc), natural (birch, lake), sport standpoint (skiing, cycling)

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- slow down the rush-hour of life (combination of career, family and self-determination):
  - daycare places
  - accepting different life-style of young people, for example by the creation of different modes of mobility such as cycling or public transport
- take into account the local business and specific features of the economic structures







