



AVRUPA GENÇLİK DERNEĞİ

EUROPEAN YOUTH ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT

2023

CONTENTS

01. INTRODUCTION

02. OUR MISSION

03. ONGOING PROJECTS

04. SEASONAL PROJECTS

04. PROJECTIONS

05. CONTACT

INTRODUCTION

The European Youth Association (AGD) is a youth organisation founded in 2018 with the aim of serving the entire youth of UK and Europe, including the approximately 50 million-strong Muslim community. AGD UK communicates with AGD branches located in various cities and regions of Europe, the Balkans and Africa, and it stands among the largest youth organisations that attract the interest and attention of young people.

AGD Europe is officially a charity under the UK Charity Regulations. Our charity Number is 1171150. The foundation aims and objectives is focused on working with primary and secondary school children. It also works with university students

as well as with youth who are in employment.

It has representatives in various cities in the UK such as: London, Brighton, Bristol, Cambridge, Manchester, Liverpool, Newcastle, Glasgow and Aberdeen. Also, the charity has community and guest houses in Manchester and Brighton and a weekend school in Brighton.

AGD places its activities carried out in the fields of knowledge, social affairs, culture, and sports at the centre of its work. It aims to build a youth equipped with both material and spiritual resources through weekly gatherings, basic religious educations, assistance and guidance in school lessons, reading programs, seminars, conferences, summer and winter activities, social, cultural, sports, and technological events, as well as trips and visits.

AGD is an exceptional organisation that values national and spiritual principles and emphasises the worth of a youth who embraces these values, following the approach of "If you are thinking one year ahead, sow a seed; if you are thinking ten years ahead, plant a tree; if you are thinking a hundred years ahead, educate a person."

OUR MISSION

To live a life in accordance with our purpose of creation is the only way to attain happiness in both this world and the hereafter. Our purpose of creation is to strive for the prevalence of goodness, righteousness, beauty, usefulness, and justice in the world.

The European Youth Association, holding an exceptional place among the largest youth organisations in Europe, considers working for the welfare of our youth, who are the guarantee of our future, not as a choice but as a necessity.

Preserving our social fabric and being able to look confidently towards our

future

will only be possible through the cultivation of physically and spiritually healthy youth who are committed to national and spiritual values. That's why building a youth who can articulate our unchanging truths to the consciousness of the age forms the foundation of our work.


We believe that the true strength of a nation lies in its believing and faithful youth.

Our young people, who derive strength from their faith and give meaning to life, will develop superior qualities guided by knowledge and blessings, and will serve

not

only their own society but all of humanity.

Our world, manipulated by materialistic mindsets and condemned to pitch darkness, will embrace brighter tomorrows with our youth equipped with material and spiritual capabilities. A new and just world will come into existence with our invaluable young individuals who are treasures themselves.



ONGOING PROJECTS

Secondary School Age

Our Secondary School Commission works with the aim of organising social, sports, educational, technological, cultural, and artistic activities for all primary and secondary school students and providing environments and educational opportunities to nurture their talents.





Genc Kasif / Young Explorer Programme

Groups that have weekly education and activities within a curriculum framework, bringing together primary and secondary school students with qualified educators to ensure their spiritual education and academic success, are called "Explorer Groups.". An explorer is someone who seeks to discover their faith, culture, history, and the world. An explorer is our young person whom we touch in their hearts and broaden their horizons for a prosperous future.



Help and Guidance for School

It is a support and development program carried out with the assistance of expert and qualified educators, specifically targeting the subjects that our primary and secondary school students need assistance with.



Special Courses

Summer / Winter Events and Camps

Social Cultural and Sports Activities

These actions are implemented with the aim of contributing to the spiritual and physical development of our young people by providing age-appropriate sports activities, historical/cultural trips, and recreational activities.

ONGOING PROJECTS

High School Age

Our High School Commission carries out activities aimed at contributing to the intellectual, physical, and spiritual development of our youth.





Weekly Meetings

In our high school circles formed with a limited number of young people, we organize weekly gatherings. These meetings take place in an atmosphere of love and affection, where programs are implemented to establish and foster the bonds of brotherhood among us.



Reading Groups

In order to be able to read life, events in our surroundings, and the entire world in a healthy manner starting from ourselves, and to enhance our competence in our respective fields, we create reading groups in all our high school circles. In these groups, we come together at regular intervals to discuss and critique a pre-determined book.



Action and Adventure Camps

These camps are primarily focused on social and sports activities, where our high school students not only enhance their knowledge and skills but also have a great time. In these camps, which reignite our excitement, our high school students from London to Johannesburg, Vienna to Skopje, Berlin to Rotterdam come together around the same ideals across various locations in Europe. They gather with a sense of unity and awareness of the ummah in our educational programs and tent camps.

ONGOING PROJECTS

University Age

Our University Commission continues its work with the aim of realizing the ideal of "From classrooms to campuses, a new world" through its scientific, technological, social, cultural, and sports activities, guided by the understanding of "If I am not there, no one is there!" They strive to create a vibrant environment where students can engage in intellectual discussions, utilise technology, participate in social and cultural events, and take part in sports activities.





Weekly Meetings

We organize weekly meetings with the aim of raising our university students as exemplary individuals in society, responsible and committed to their beliefs.



Scholarship Programmes

Special trainings for our scholarship recipients
Active participation in organizational activities
Guidance and support in thesis topics
Encouragement and support programs for academic careers



Social Cultural and Sports Activities / Camps

We are contributing to the development of our young people by allowing them to break free from the intense exam schedule and enabling them to develop themselves through sports, social, cultural, and technological activities.

ONGOING PROJECTS

Working Youth

Our Working Youth Commission aims to introduce, promote, and contribute to the implementation of our values and thoughts among the youth who transition from active educational life to professional life. We carry out activities to familiarize them with these values, instill a sense of love for them, and support their translation into actions in the workplace.





Steeling Camps

To activate the feelings of solidarity and unity among our youth, and to enhance their morale and motivation, we organize steeling camps at regular intervals throughout the year. The aim is to provide them with opportunities for bonding, personal growth, and strengthening their sense of belonging.



Spiritual and Book Circles

We organize consciousness lessons in small groups to strengthen the sense of brotherhood, sharing, empathy, doing good, and refraining from evil among our working youth. The aim is to contribute to their development as individuals who are beneficial to humanity in their immediate environment.



Vocational Orientations

ONGOING PROJECTS

Women's Wing

Our Women's Wing Commission, guided by the principle "When women rise, society flourishes," works passionately to cultivate generations that prioritize ethics and spirituality, viewing humanity, the environment, and the world through a lens of compassion. We believe that a committed and dedicated woman has the power to rock the cradle with one hand and change the world with the other. With these ideals in mind, we tirelessly continue our efforts across every corner of the UK and Europe.





Weekly Meetings

We organize weekly meetings for primary school, secondary school, high school, and university students, as well as for working youth. These programs aim to contribute to the development of our young individuals through activities such as book discussions, consciousness lessons, and the implementation of social, cultural, and sports activities.

Family School

To preserve and strengthen our family structure, we organize seminars at regular intervals with expert educators. The purpose is to provide valuable insights and guidance on maintaining and nurturing strong family relationships. Topics covered in Family Schools:

Model Family

Communication Between Spouses

Motherhood and Marriage School

Strong Family - Strong Society

Child Upbringing in the Light of the Prophetic Teachings

Ways to Combat Addiction in Children



"One Youth, Thousand Hopes" Seminars

With the belief that "Our youth is the guarantee of our future," we organize seminars with the aim of preserving our values and identity that define us and nurturing young individuals who will inspire hope for tomorrow.

ONGOING PROJECTS

General Educations



Language Courses

AGD also offers language courses in different locations. English courses are available from Johannesburg to Brighton, German courses from Berlin to Vienna, French courses from Strasbourg to Paris, and Arabic courses in Jordan. These language courses aim to provide participants with the opportunity to learn and improve their language skills in a supportive and immersive environment.



International Conferences

These conferences serve as platforms for individuals from various countries to come together, exchange ideas, and discuss important topics related to youth, education, culture, and societal issues. The conferences often feature keynote speakers, panel discussions, workshops, and cultural activities, providing participants with opportunities for personal development, networking, and intercultural understanding.



Short Courses

AGD also organises short courses on various topics such as history, finance, economy, being a successful father etc. They offer an opportunity for personal and intellectual growth, enabling individuals to expand their knowledge and perspectives on important subjects.

SEASONAL PROJECTS

AGD organises various short-term projects and activities to serve different purposes and address specific needs.

February, 6 Turkey and Syria Earthquake Aid Campaign

AGD, has provided support to earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria through its partner organisation Cansuyu. From the moment the earthquakes occurred, AGD worked with local aid organisation in the region to provide mobilised professional rescue teams and directed thousands of volunteers to the affected areas. They have continuously provided assistance to meet the needs of heating, food, water, and shelters.



SEASONAL PROJECTS

Food Packaging (Kumanya) Work

AGD carries out food packaging projects, including the distribution of food packages (kumanya), to assist those in need. These initiatives are aimed at alleviating hunger and providing essential food supplies to individuals and families facing economic challenges. While our primary focus is on earthquake-stricken areas, we also extend our support to impoverished communities in various countries, including Africa, Gaza, and Arakan. These food packaging efforts help address immediate nutritional needs and provide relief to vulnerable populations.



SEASONAL PROJECTS

Iftar Organisations in Brighton

Throughout the holy month of Ramadan, AGD organises daily iftar (fast-breaking) events and Tarawih in Brighton, ensuring that individuals have the opportunity to come together and break their fast every day. The iftar gatherings serve as a platform for individuals to reflect on their blessings, observe the traditions of Ramadan, and create a shared experience of spiritual and communal nourishment.



Weekend Courses in Brighton

The Weekend School in Brighton is specifically designed for primary and secondary school children to provide additional support and education in their school lessons, Islamic studies, handcrafting, play groups and language education. Through interactive programs and workshops, children can enhance their knowledge and understanding of various subjects while also developing their character and personal growth. The Weekend School aims to create a positive learning environment where children can excel academically and spiritually.



SEASONAL PROJECTS

Siyer-i Nebi (Biography of the Prophet) Competition

AGD organises a competition for high school and primary school students, aimed at studying and comprehending the life and teachings of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him). This competition encourages participants to delve into the Seerah, gain a comprehensive understanding of the Prophet's life, and draw valuable lessons that can positively impact their own lives.

The aim of the competition is to teach our children the exemplary life of the blessed Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), who was sent as a mercy to mankind, and to engrave the light of Islam in their hearts. The Siyer-i Nebi exam, which will be conducted as a result of this learning activity, is not just a competition but also a means of encouragement. The prizes given are intended to serve as a memento.

Competition Prizes:

One-person UMSRAH trip

One-person JERUSALEM TRIP

5 people one-year subscription to GENÇ İSTİKBAL MAGAZINE



SEASONAL PROJECTS

The Youth Camp in Bosnia

The Bosnia-Herzegovina Summer Camp, organised by the AGD High School Commission, is an educational and entertaining program designed for male students aged 12-16. The camp combines values education with fun activities.

During the camp, participating students will acquire Islamic knowledge and have the opportunity to explore the historical and cultural aspects of Bosnia-Herzegovina, our beloved heartland. In our Summer Camp, young participants will enjoy social and sports activities while experiencing the joy of learning.

Activities:

Islamic Education

- Cultural and Sports Activities
- Historical Consciousness trips

Fun Activities

Surprise Guests




SEASONAL PROJECTS


Qurbani (Eid al-Adha) Work:

AGD organises qurbani projects during the Islamic festival of Eid al-Adha, where sacrificial animals are slaughtered and the meat is distributed to those in need. This initiative aims to ensure that vulnerable communities have access to fresh meat during the festive occasion. With our observers from all across the UK and Europe, we deliver your donations to the truly needy.




CONTACT

 www.agdeurope.org

 uk@agdeurope.org



 /AGDEuropeorg

 /AGDEuropeorg

 /AGDEuropeorg



AGD

AVRUPA GENÇLİK DERNEĞİ

EUROPEAN YOUTH ASSOCIATION