

# // Case Studies on Unemployed Youth YUTRENDS

# Objectives of the project

The main objective of the research is to provide territorial evidence on youth unemployment trends and to propose recommendations for how territorial cohesion policy can contribute to strengthening the resilience in European regions against youth unemployment and enhancing the implementation of initiatives aimed at tackling the issues faced by young people in the labour market.

# Case studies

Ten case studies have been selected to provide locational examples in five categories as below:

- Capital city – Riga (LV), Hamburg (DE)
- Metropolitan - Turin (IT), Leeds (UK)
- Urban-Rural - Pamplona (ES), Blagoevgrad (BG)
- Industrial Transition – Gdansk (PL), Tampere (FI)
- Border – Twente (NL), Donegal (IE)

# Key points emerging

- An important barrier young people face is the transition from education to employment.
- Young people must be visible to be able to help them, so NEETs represent a particular policy challenge.
- Support can extend beyond employment to housing, transport, social problems, etc.
- Guidance is needed on their choice of options in education, training and employment.
- Integrated services to help young people are a popular approach.
- Youth Guarantee has been important in some areas but works best when customised to local situation.
- Economic improvement may not help young people into sustainable employment without support.



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