

Where are we now?	Name:		Members of local steering group:	
	<hr/> Town of Sonthofen, Allgäu, Germany		<hr/> Write down names and contacts (emails)	
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	Territory in 150 words			
Briefly describe the territory and point out to main social, economic, cultural, political and environmental characteristics.				
As the main town of the district of Oberallgäu and the hub of the region, Sonthofen offers its visitors and citizens a wide range of leisure and cultural activities and excellent infrastructure and Gästebetreuung. Surrounded by the panorama of the Allgäu Alps, the health resort is the southernmost city of the Federal Republic between the rivers Iller and Ostrach; it lies almost directly at the borders to the neighboring countries Switzerland and Austria. With the elaboration and implementation of the mission statement "Future Sonthofen", the city authorities are relying on the active participation of their citizens. Social groups can express their interests through their own bodies, e.g. the Youth Parliament or Foreigners Council. The title "Alpine Town of the Year" is not only an award for the achievements so far, but also an incentive for further efforts of the city for a livable future. The title is an invitation to the population and all social groups to spend a year deepening their understanding of the "double" - urban and alpine - identity, to deepen relations with the surrounding area and to network with other alpine towns.				
3 main developmental challenges:				
List three main developmental challenges of the territory in the next 10 years.				
1. Transformation of a vast conversion area in the town (33 ha. of military caserns) 2. Stay attractive for young people and workers (needed in the companies) while managing the arrival of elder populations 3. Adapting the energy and mobility sectors tot he challenges of climate change				
Youth: Status quo			Youth in a graph:	
Briefly describe the status quo of youth – demographics, trends, activities, needs, wishes ...			Include one or more graphs that depict the status of youth at best.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The population of Sonhthofen is continuously increasing (21529, 31.12.2016) Population between 14 and 25: 4662 persons (approx. 21,6% of population) (31.12.2016). This is quite a high percentage, however elderly population (65 and more) reaches 29.6% of the population. The average age is continuously increasing, approx. 47 years on 31.12.2016 The age group 15-18 is less represented than the others (only 2,8% of population) Employment rates in Sonthofen are high and stable or increasing; this is also true for the employment rate of the age group 15-25. Education and child care: 9 child day care institutions (for all together 825 children in 2016/2017), 7 schools (with all together 2643 pupils in 2016/2017), 1 professional training institution (Fachoberschule) with 371 students (2016/2017) 2 employees are in charge of the youth policy of Sonthofen 1 youth house as an open room for young people to get together and carry out activities together. 3 animators are in charge of the center. 				

	<div><div>Main obstacles in youth participation:</div><div>Describe the main obstacles in the participation of youth in decision-making.</div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div>							
Where do we want to be?	<div><div>Vision Statement</div><div>What is your 10-year vision in the field of youth participation?</div><div></div><div>Youth participation in Sonthofen is reinforced and involves a broad and diverse segment of the town’s youth.</div></div>							
	<div><div>3 SMART objectives</div><div>List three main objectives in the field of youth participation (theme, target value, agent, time frame).</div><div></div><div><div>1. Involve larger diversity of young people (from different schools/training, different ages)</div><div>2. Increase impact of youth participation, through implement of common actions and stronger influence on political decision processes</div><div>3. Youth engagement in the city is more visible to all inhabitants (via more effective communication)</div></div></div>							
	Target group Which target group within the youth will you include?		TBD					
How do we get there?	Name of a youth participatory process:		TBD		Canv as no.:			
	Early wins: What will be the first success?		TBD					
	Timeline: List main elements of the timeline – be specific, set deadlines, start and end dates.		TBD					
	Responsible person: Who is responsible for implementation?		TBD					

	Team members <i>What other people will form the team?</i>	TBD			
	Finances: <i>What financial resources are needed?</i>	TBD			
	Measures of success: <i>What is the goal metric?</i>	TBD			