

# WHAT IS CITIZENSHIP AND HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION?



” Citizenship and human rights education is about learning to live together and respect each other. It is also about knowing and understanding your rights in order to play an active role in decisions that concern you.

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## THE CHARTER FOR ALL



— which explains the principles of the Council of Europe Charter on Citizenship and Human Rights Education in simple and accessible terms.

## THE EXHIBITION ON THE CHARTER FOR ALL

— consists of 7 posters, also available as roll ups (in English and in French). Specifically, it illustrates 6 principles of the Charter.



## THE POSTER ABOUT THE CHARTER FOR ALL

— which explains the principles contained in the Charter.



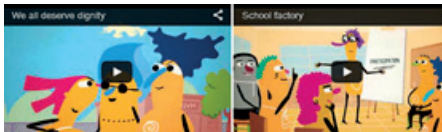
## THE GUIDELINES FOR EDUCATORS



— aims to help teachers carry out activities with their students around subjects covered in **the Charter for All**.

## A SERIES OF SHORT ANIMATIONS

— on the theme of **“Democracy and Human Rights in School”**. This series was inspired by the 10 most popular comic strips in the children’s competition.



## Democracy and Human Rights IN SCHOOL

The joint European Commission – Council of Europe Project Scheme “Human Rights and Democracy in Action” was launched in 2013. Its purpose is to collect ideas, to facilitate exchange and cooperation, and to contribute to the development of sustainable mechanisms for the promotion of citizenship and human rights education in the participating countries.

What does “democracy and human rights at school” mean to you? To find out what young people think about this topic, the European Commission and the Council of Europe organised a comic strip competition. By December 2013 a total of 122 comic strips had been received. 30 were shortlisted by a panel of education experts and 10 were selected through an online public vote, in which over 10,000 votes were received. The winning comic strips inspired the short animated films on this topic.

The following exhibition panels introduce you firstly to the authors of the winning panels, then to the drawings, animations and the cartoons inspired by them.

All the comic strips received and the five 3D animations are available on line, and give an excellent overview of how the values of democracy and human rights are connected to school life and how they can be learned.

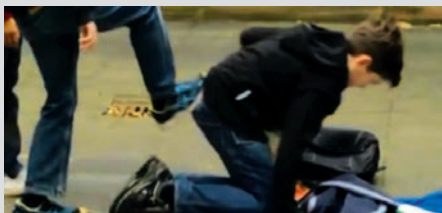
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## THE EXHIBITION “DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN SCHOOL”

— presenting how students live democracy and human rights in school. This exhibition was created in the context of a comics strip competition for children.

## THE FILM “BEAT BULLYING”

This film, in which **the European School of Strasbourg** has greatly contributed, illustrates what bullying in school is and how to act to stop it.



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