

# **LEISURE ACTIVITIES**

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# **1. INTRODUCTION**

## **WHY THIS TOPIC?**

Young people need places where they can meet and spend their free time together but it is not always that easy for them to find a suitable one. Therefore we felt to investigate on how this happens where we live and share these worries with our TIE partners to compare and confront the different situations.

## **WHY THE CHOICE OF A QUESTIONNAIRE?**

We decided to gather the needed information by submitting a questionnaire since this seemed to us the most detailed and, at the same time, the most popular way to get a more general view of the topic. We opted for a multiple-choice model since the close-answer format offers an easier way to collect and elaborate the data. The gathered results were then turned into graphics, some of which in 3D version, in order to make them more effective.

## **HOW WAS THE ORGANISATION OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE MEANT?**

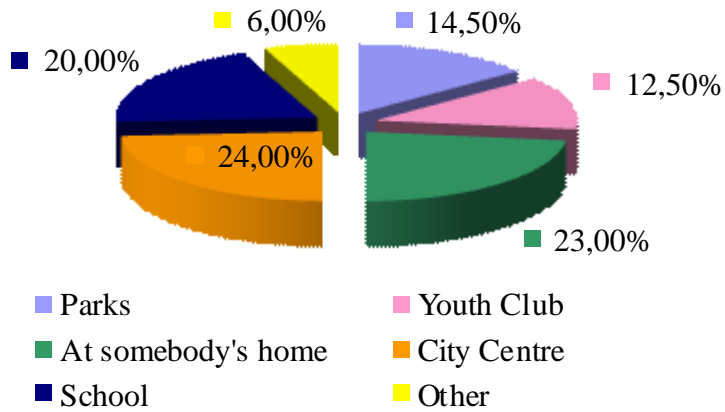
We prepared a set of questions which we thought could give us the most meaningful results: in the first part, the questionnaire inquires on, say, personal but more “technical” aspects ranging from, e.g., the possible places available, to the users’ target, to the meeting frequency, whereas the second part aims at drawing the attention on the correlated aspect of communication among the young, nowadays extremely influenced by technology. The last section, instead, includes questions on integration/adaptation since we saw it as logical consequence when you take part in a group.

We carried out the questionnaire among a stated sample of 30 students aged from 16 to 19 addressed to the TIE participating schools.

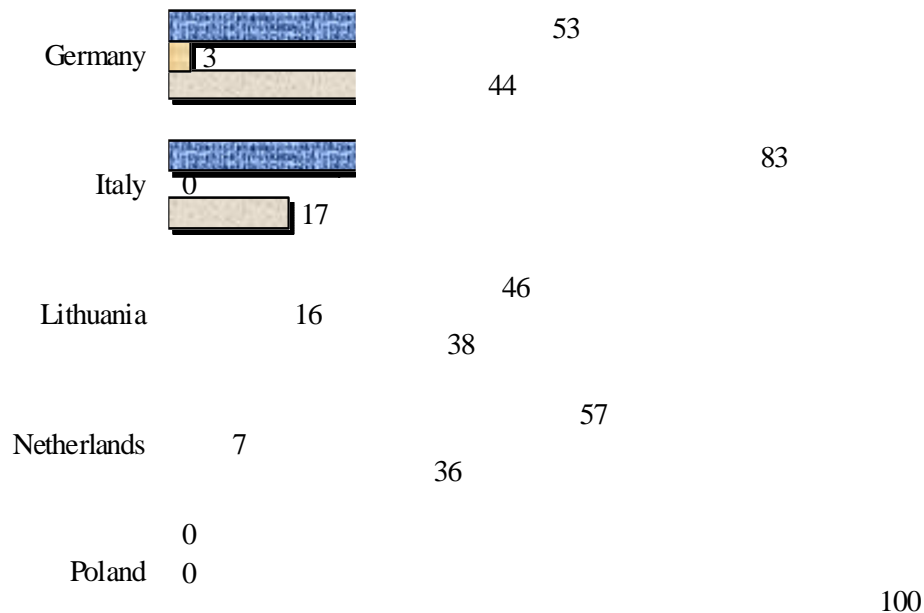
## 2. QUESTIONNAIRE (Graphics of the results)

### 2.1. FREE TIME & MEETING POINTS

#### MEETING POINTS

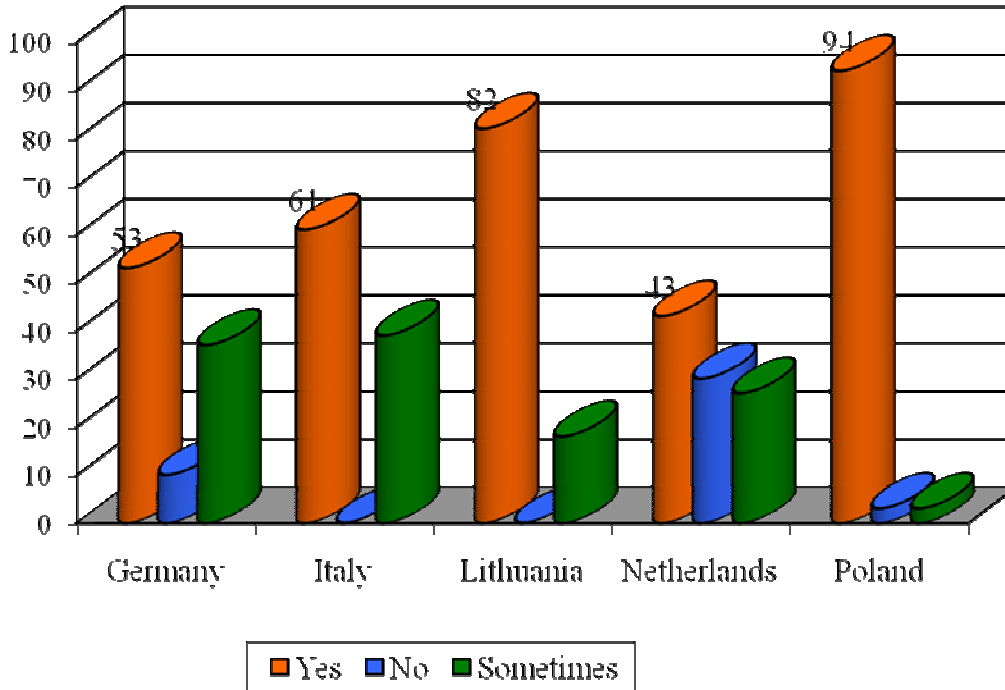


#### IS IT EASY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE MEETING POINTS?



	Poland	Netherlands	Lithuania	Italy	Germany
Yes	0	57	46	83	53
No	0	7	16	0	3
Not always	100	36	38	17	44

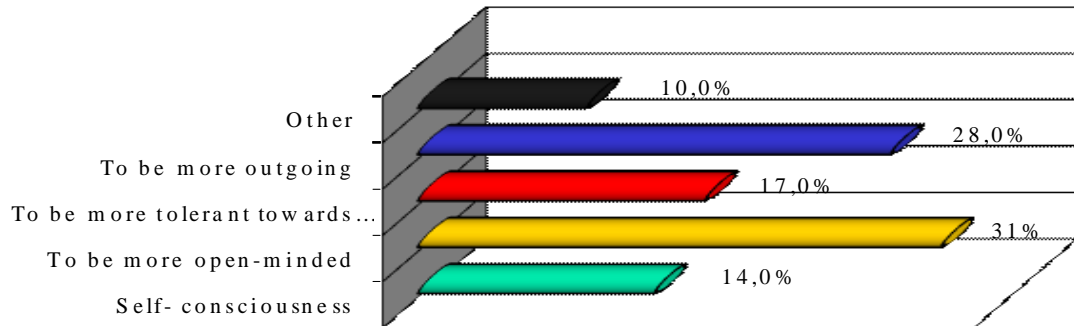
DO YOU ALWAYS HAVE THE SAME MEETING POINT?



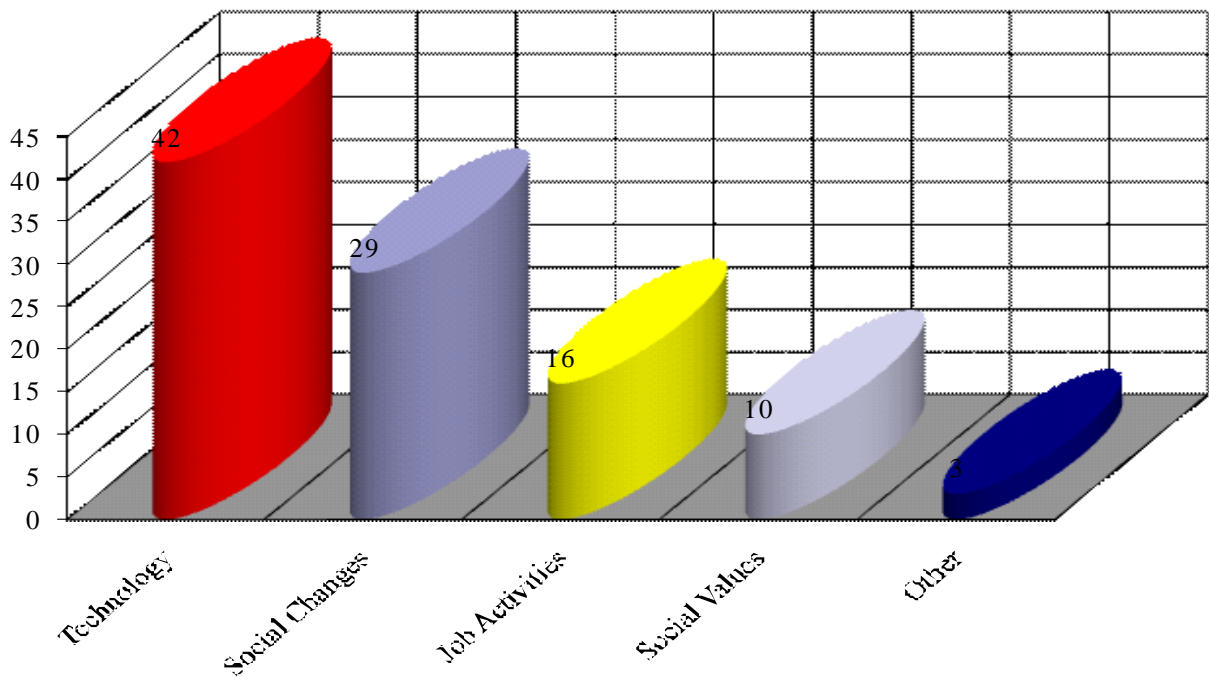
HOW OFTEN DO YOU MEET IN A WEEK (apart from school)?

	Germany	Italy	Lithuania	Netherlands	Poland
Every day			✓ 47%	✓ 76%	
Three times a week	✓ 53%	✓ 60%			
Twice					✓ / %
Once					

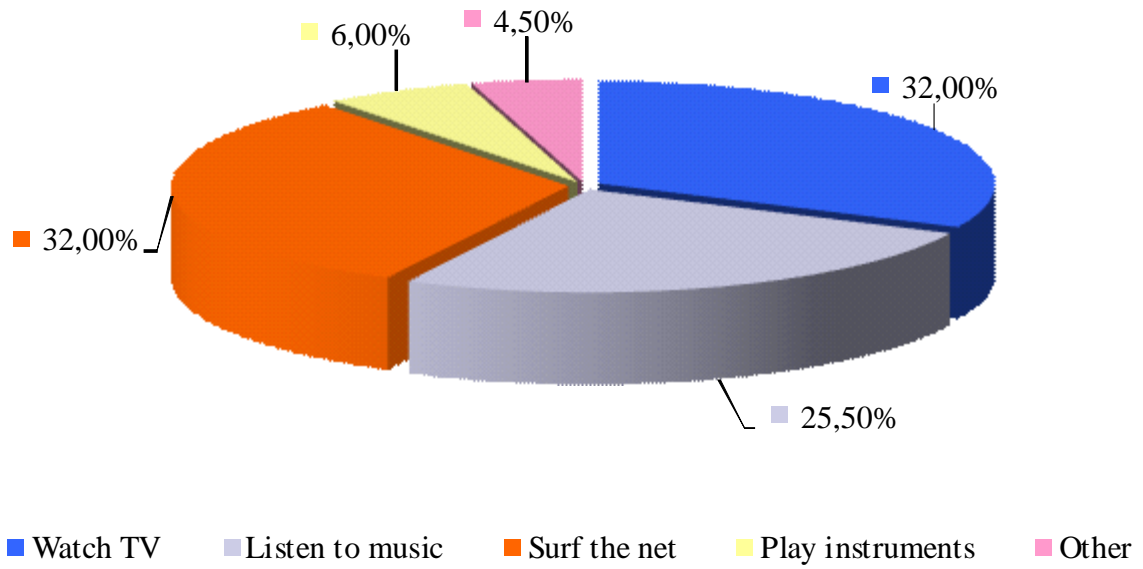
## IMPROVEMENTS IN LIFE CAUSED BY MEETING POINTS



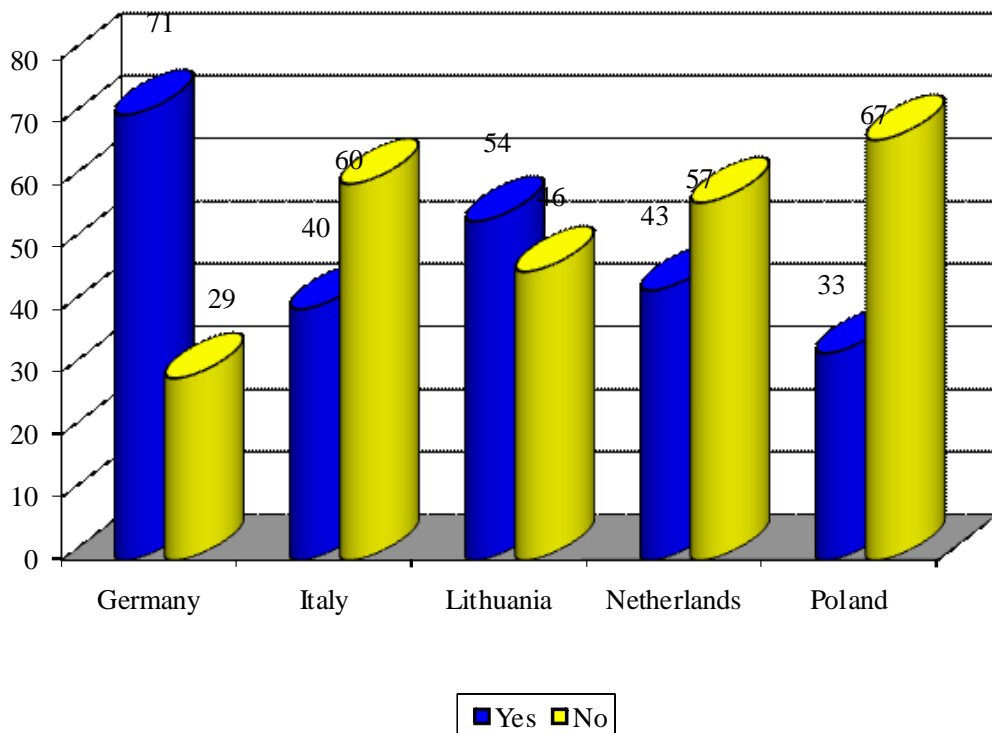
## FACTORS THAT CHANGED MEETING POINTS



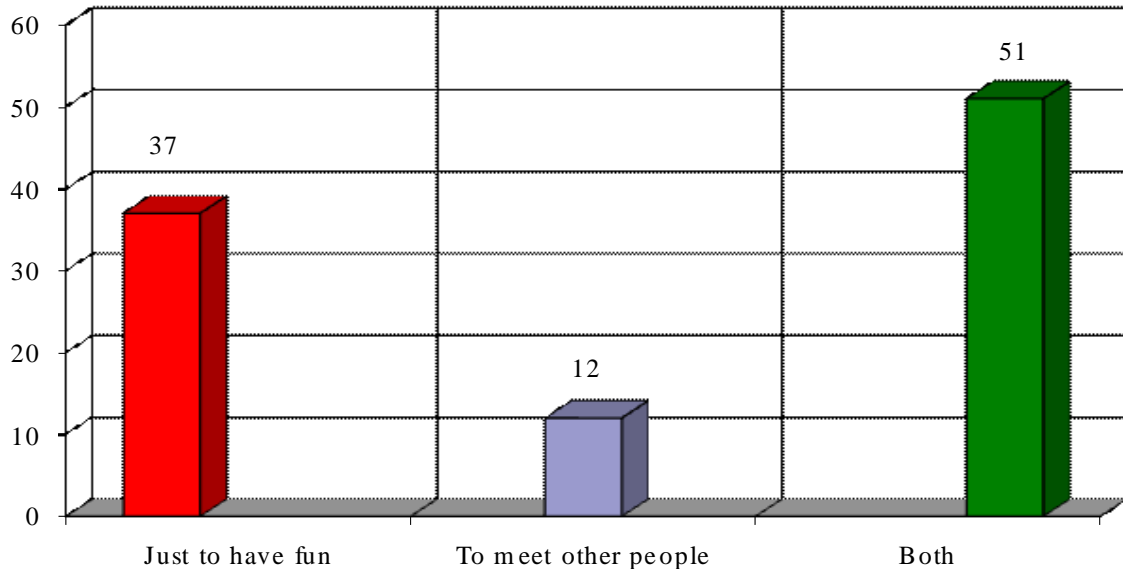
## FREE TIME ACTIVITIES



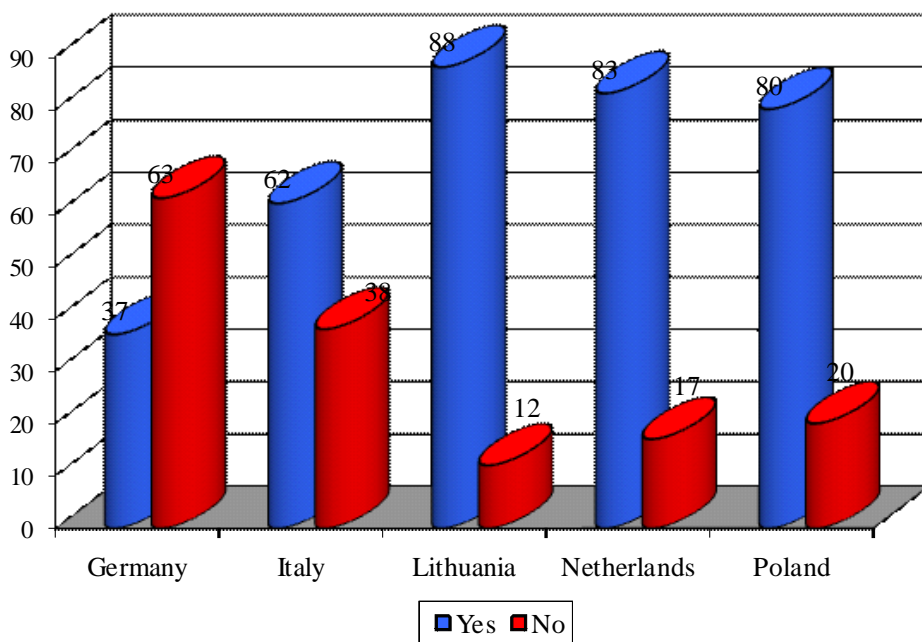
## DO YOU OFTEN GO TO THE DISCO?



## WHY DO YOUNG PEOPLE GO TO THE DISCO?



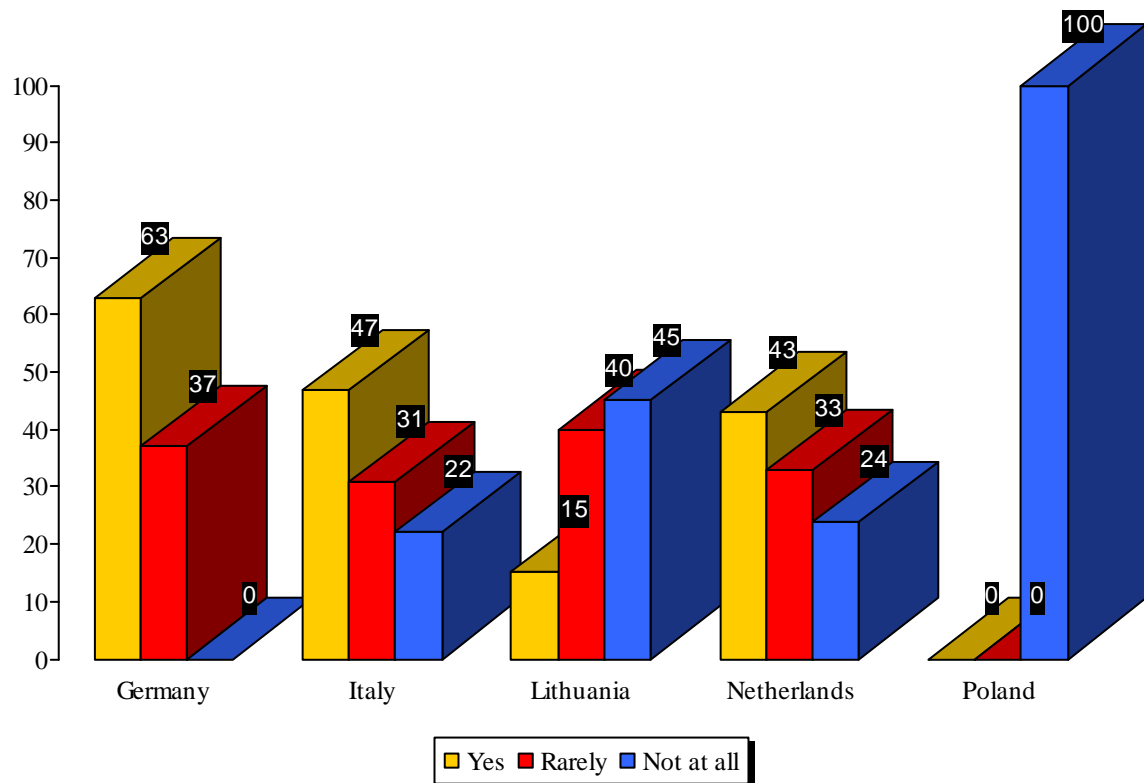
## HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TO A CONCERT?



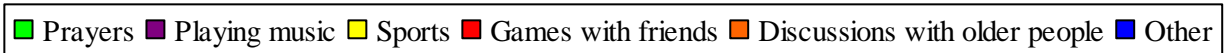
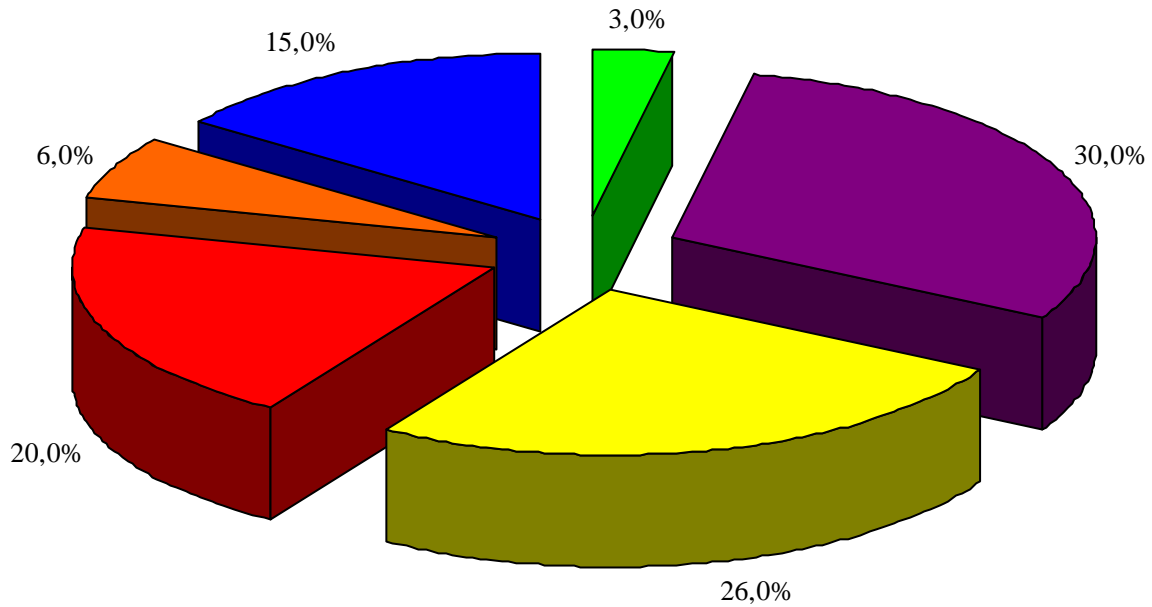
DO YOU THINK THAT CONCERTS OFFER GREAT OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET PEOPLE INTERESTED IN THE SAME KIND OF MUSIC AS YOU?

	Germany	Italy	Lithuania	Netherlands	Poland
Yes	✓ 76%	✓ 63%	✓ 70%		✓ 67%
Not so much				✓ 40%	
No					

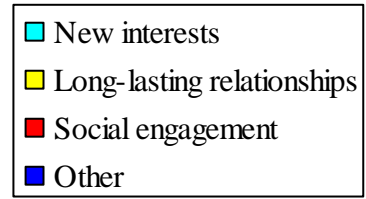
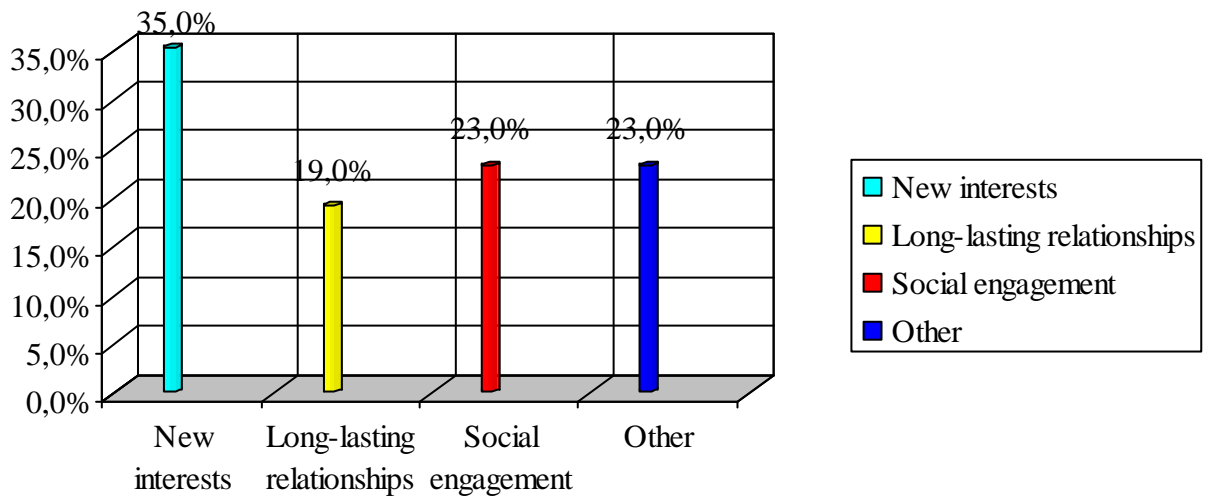
ARE YOUTH CLUBS COMMON IN YOUR COUNTRY?



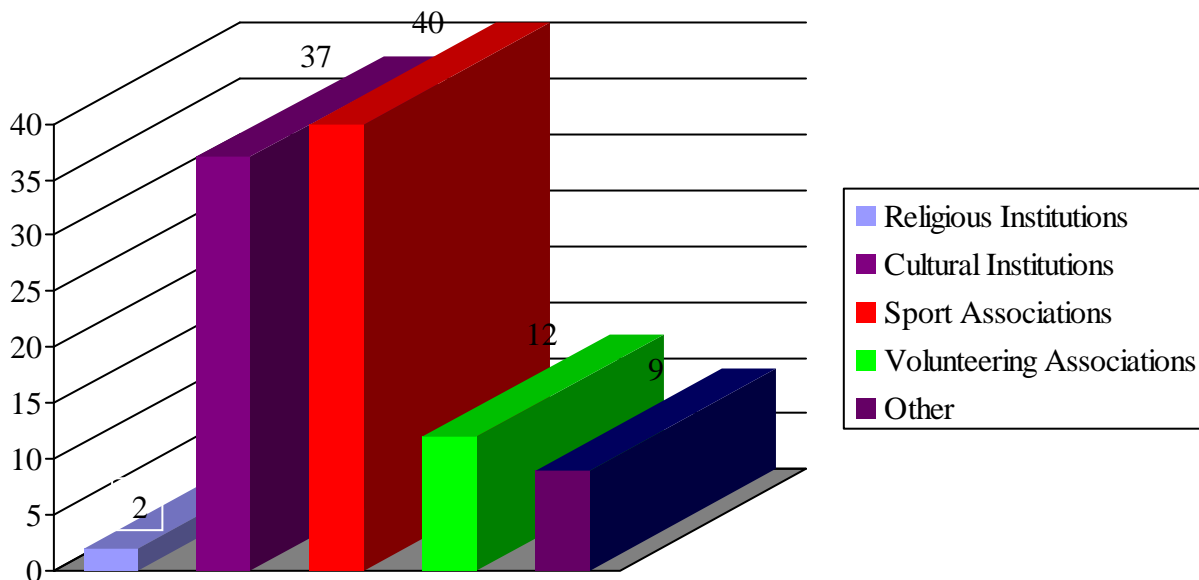
## ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY YOUTH CLUBS



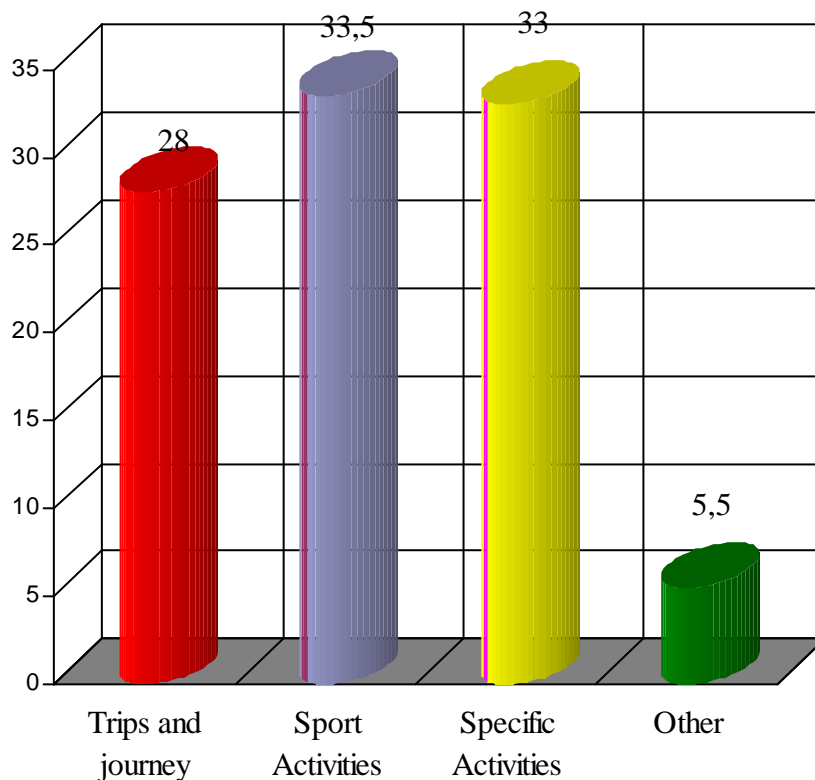
## ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY YOUTH CLUBS HAVE GIVEN BIRTH TO



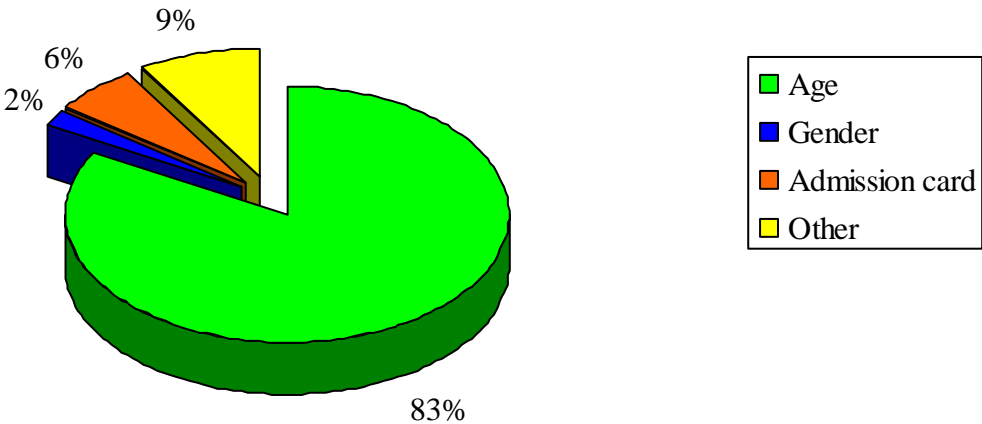
## WHO SHOULD PROVIDE CONSTRUCTIVE AND ENJOYABLE ACTIVITIES?



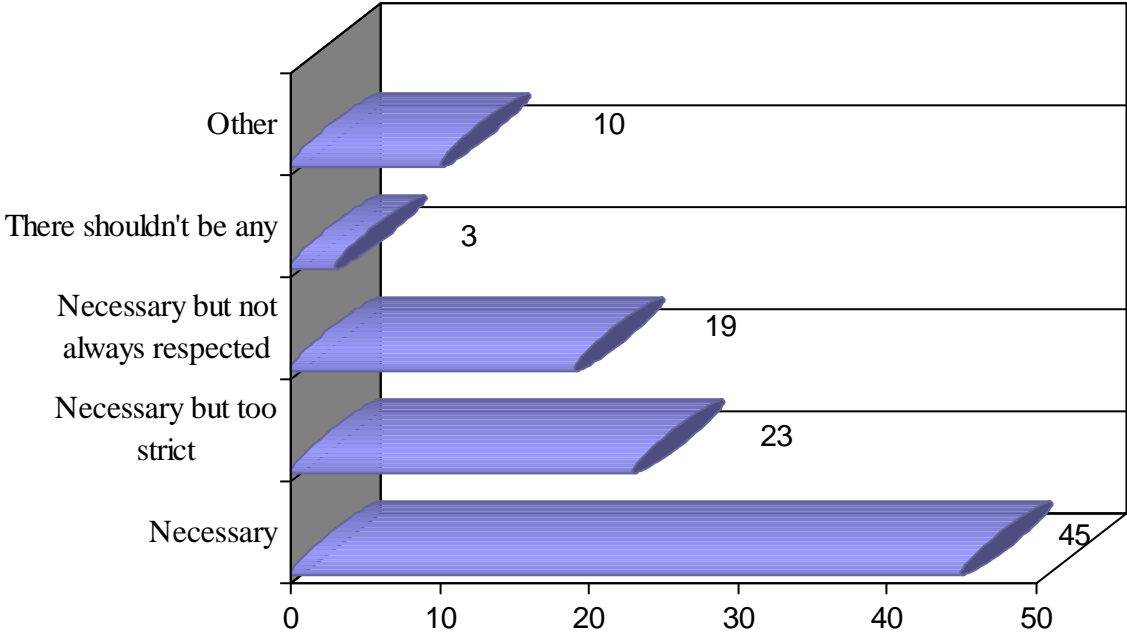
## WHAT KIND OF ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE OFFERED?



# LAWS OR MEASURES CONCERNING MEETING POINTS

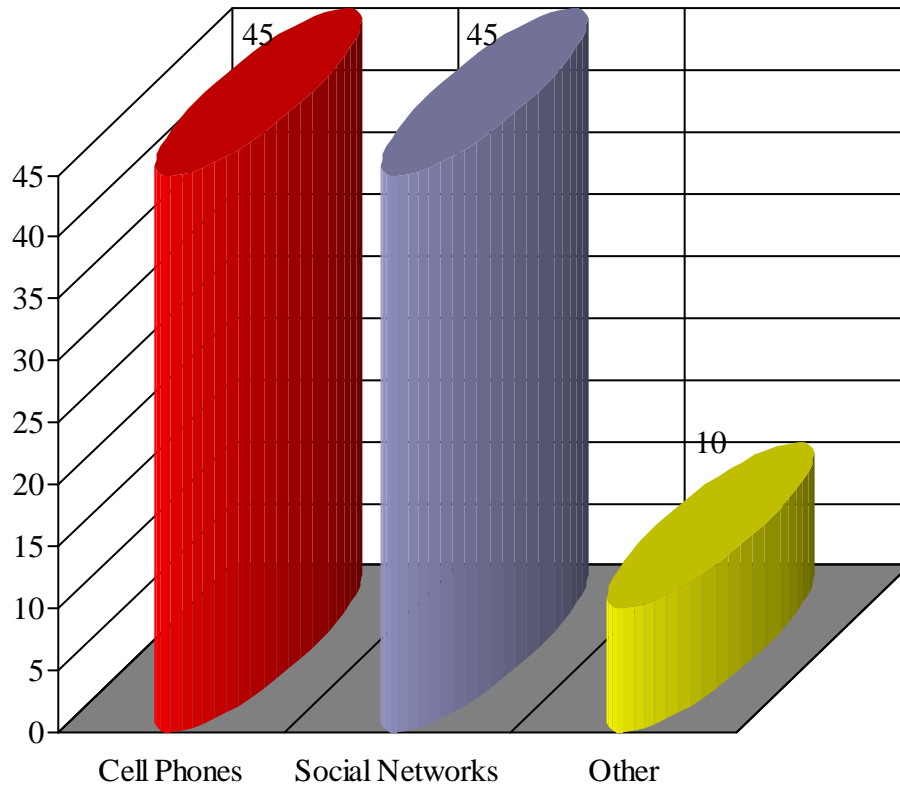


# OPINIONS ABOUT THOSE LAWS AND MEASURES



## 2.2. TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATION

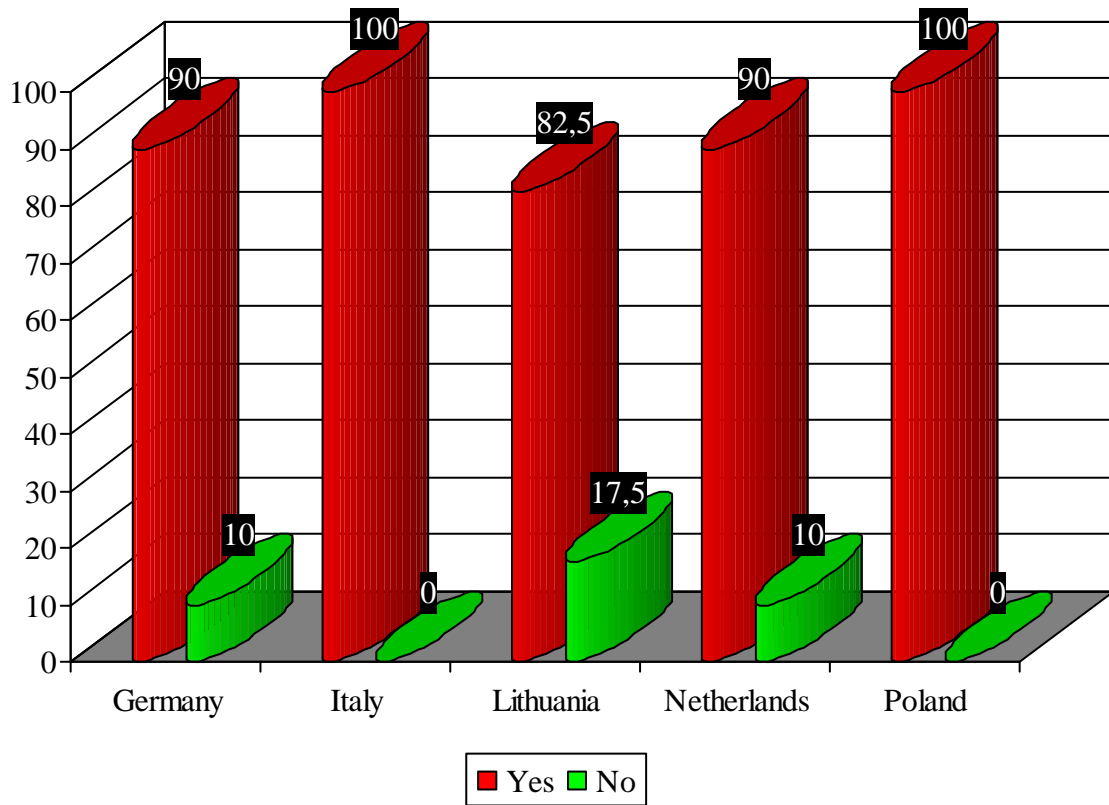
### WAYS TO COMMUNICATE



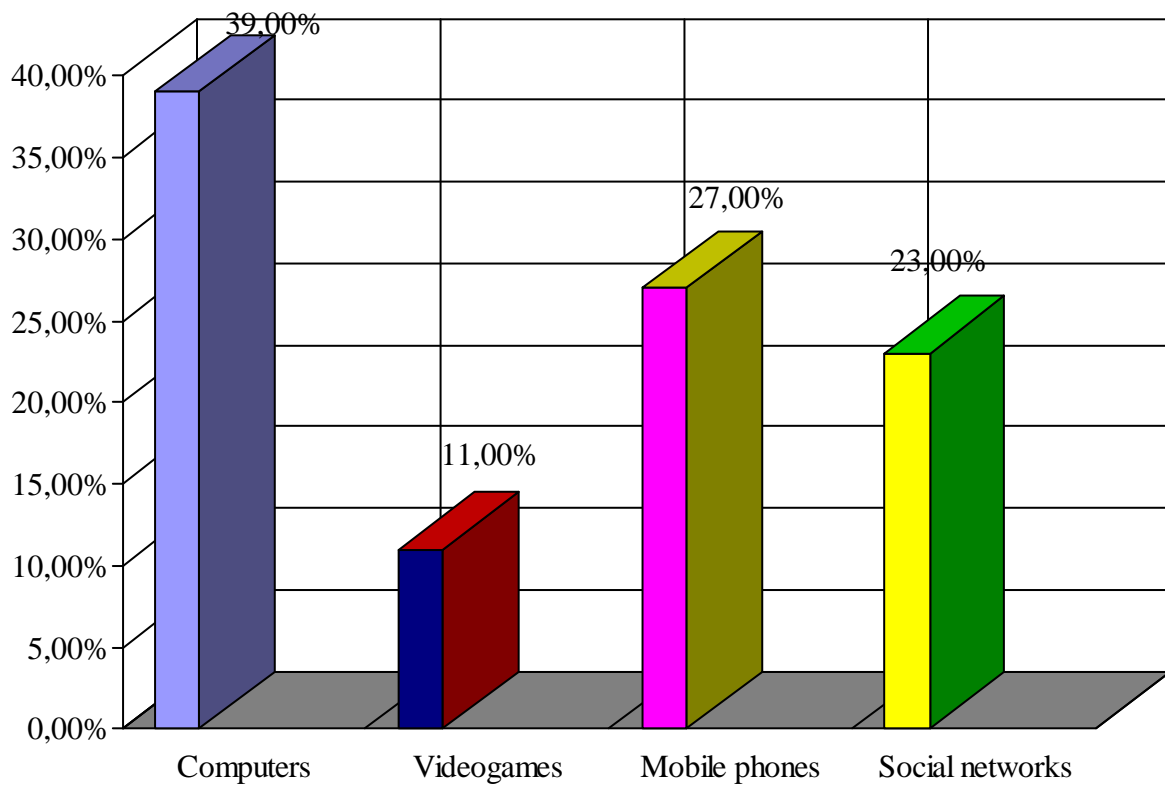
### HOW OFTEN DO YOU USE YOUR MOBILE PHONES?

	Germany	Italy	Lithuania	Netherlands	Poland
Always	53%	54%	78%	54%	94%
Often	30%	34%	12,5%	33%	6%
Rarely	17%	12%	9,5%	13%	0%

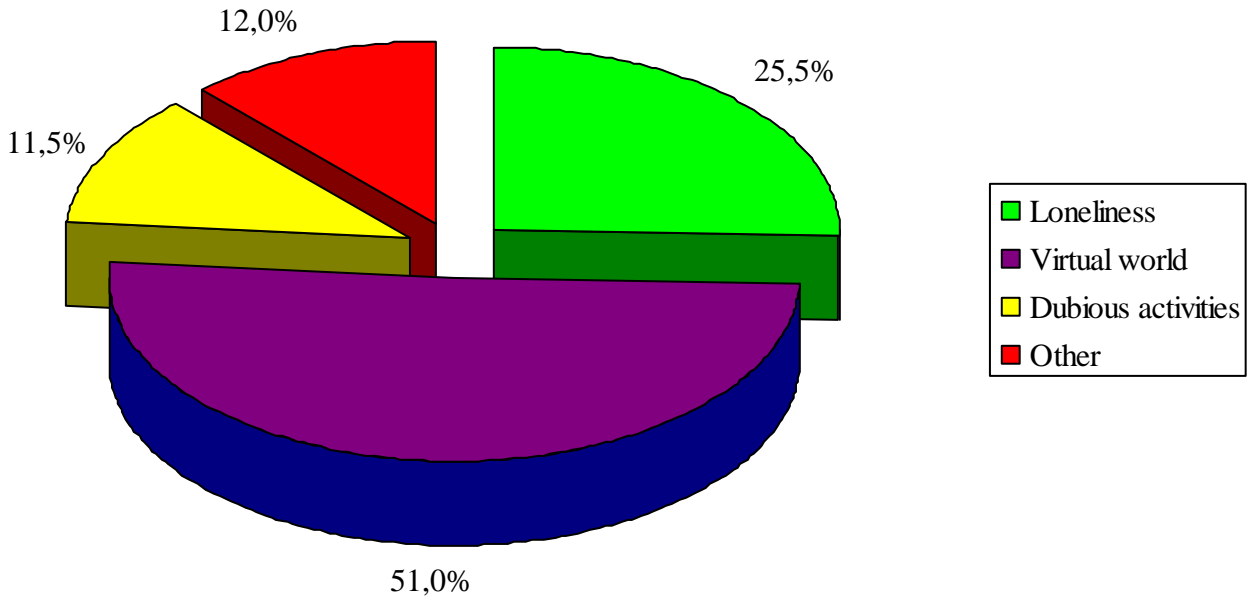
## DO YOU KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR FRIENDS USING SMS OR MMS?



## TECHNOLOGIES THAT MODIFIED YOUNG PEOPLE'S RELATIONSHIPS



THE MOST RELEVANT NEGATIVE ASPECT OF THE USE OF TECHNOLOGIES

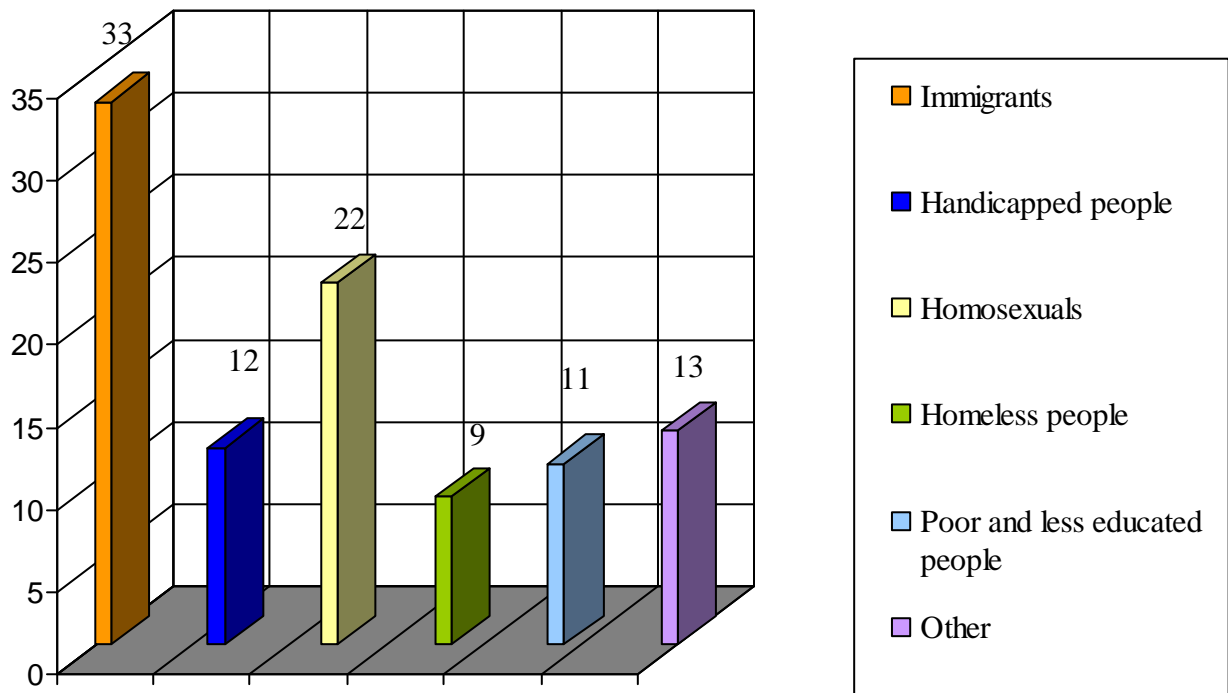


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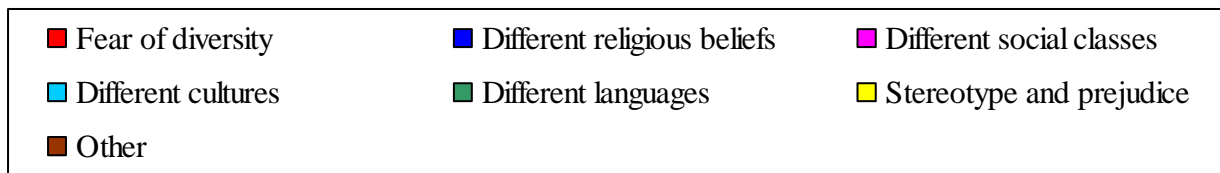
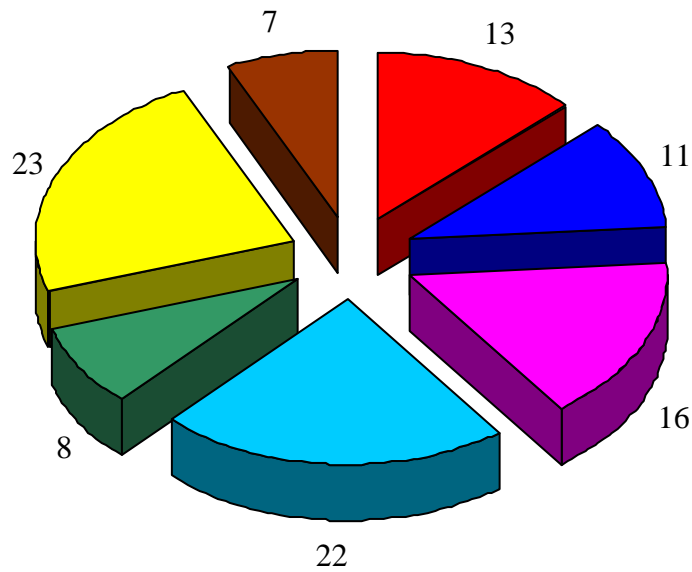
IS INTEGRATION FELT LIKE A PROBLEM IN YOUR COUNTRY?

	Germany	Italy	Lithuania	Netherlands	Poland
Yes	70%	78%	90%	57%	✔
No	30%	22%	10%	43%	

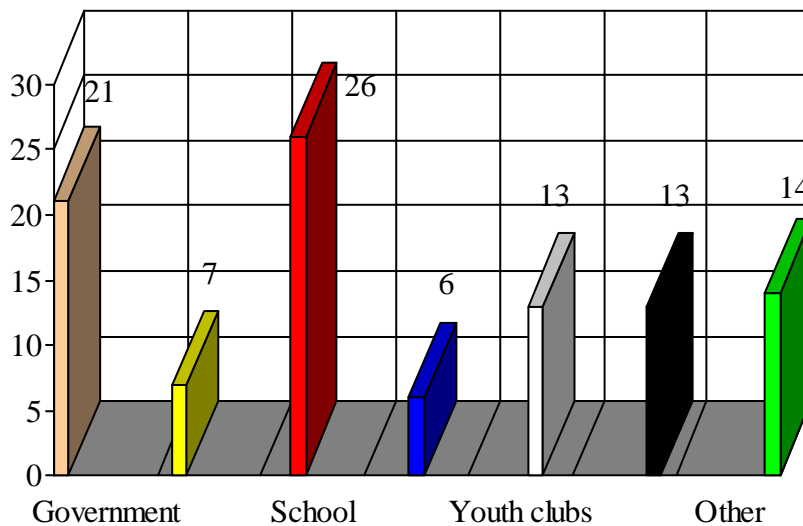
WHAT DO INTEGRATION AND/OR ADAPTATION WRONG YOUNG PEOPLE REFER TO? (GENERAL VIEW)



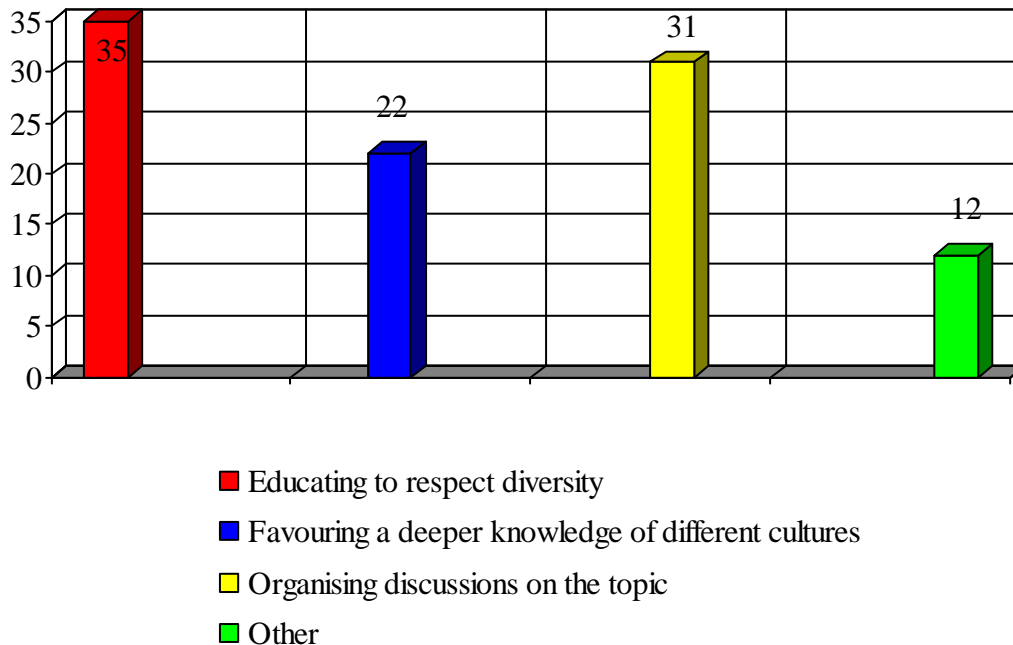
## CAUSES OF IMMIGRANTS INTEGRATION PROBLEM IN MEETING POINTS



## WHO CAN PROMOTE INTEGRATION IN MEETING POINTS?



## HOW TO COPE WITH THE PROBLEM



### 3. CONCLUSION

#### WHAT HAS COME UP FROM THE INVESTIGATION?

The most relevant aspects of our investigation show that young people don't generally have a common and particular meeting point designed exclusively for them. As a matter of fact, not being able to enjoy this opportunity, a part of them still share the city centre, the school or their own home to spend their free time at least three times a week, whereas the large majority prefer watching TV or surfing the net. This last element, mainly through social networks, along with the large use of SMS, becomes the clear and evident sign that young people can't but communicate in a virtual way, limiting the opportunity of having direct personal relationships, affecting the way to relating with others.

Young people claim that institutions should provide and grant them suitable meeting places which can represent the right alternative beyond the traditional youth clubs (not always that popular in all the areas our questionnaire refers to) and sporting centres or discos for the night entertainment. This would give them more chances to cultivate new interests, make new friendships and becoming more open-minded and outgoing.

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