

# Summary of research

**Project Your City**

# Research

## Sample divided by:

1. their age;
2. country of residence;
3. living area

## Key questions:

desirability of certain public spaces in the neighbourhood

whether the youngsters were ever consulted by city-planners

which way of communication with policy makers would be the most desirable

readiness to take part in decision making

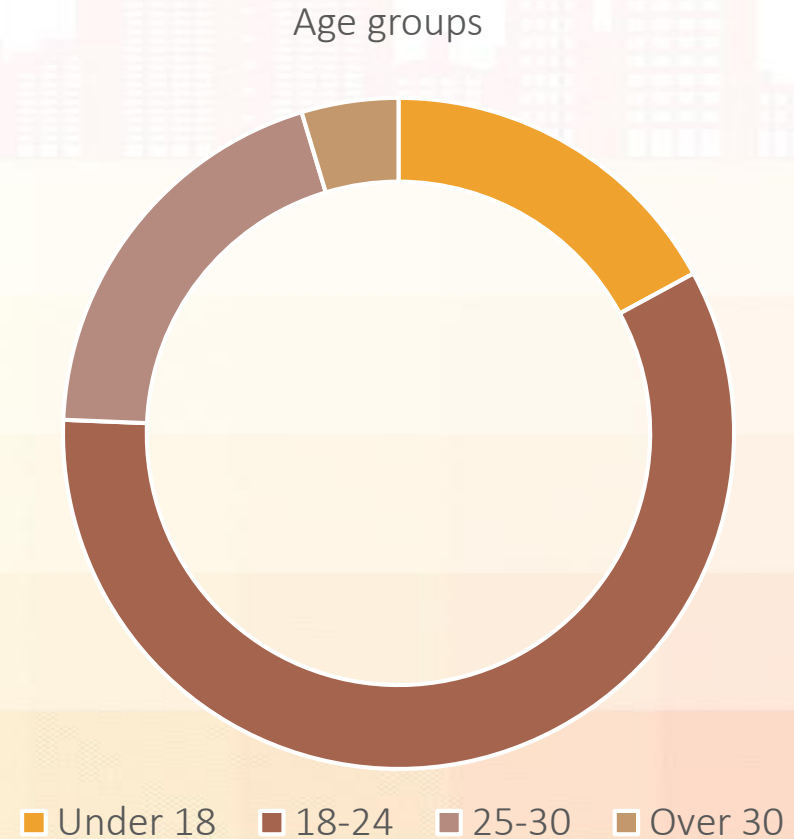
# Sample

Lithuanians made up 73%

Mostly 24 and under

71% females

52% living in urban areas



# Key finding 1

Youngsters would mostly like **open youth centres** (desirability: 75.39%) and **infrastructure for biking** (73.44%) in their neighbourhoods.

**Shopping zones** (desirability: 41.88%) and **skate parks** (desirability: 44.27%) are of the least preference.

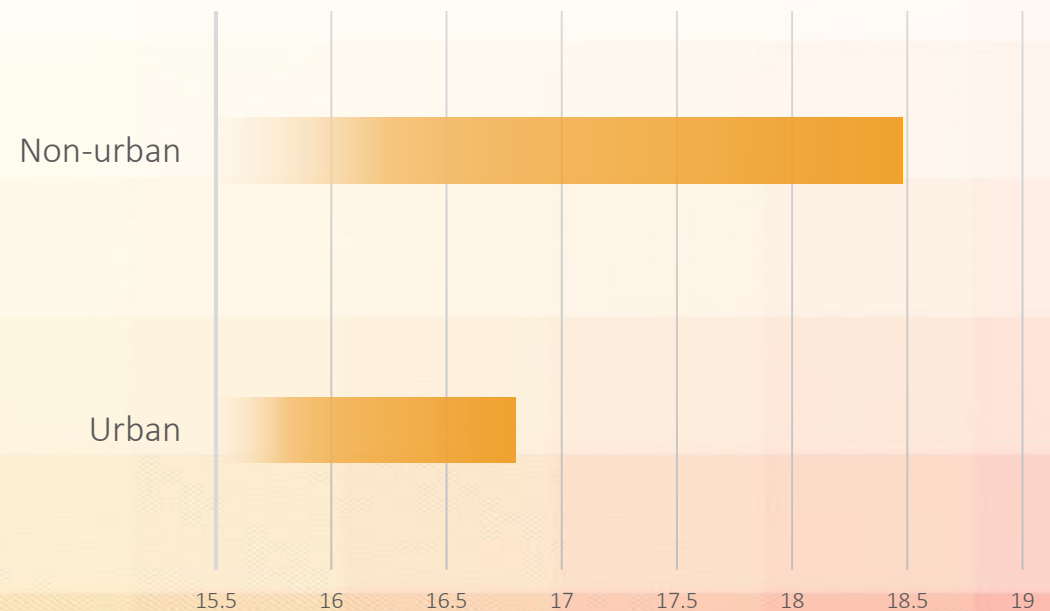
**From the survey:** females prefer skate parks nearby (significantly) more than males

# Key finding 2

82.4% participants have never been consulted and has never heard of anyone being consulted by policy makers regarding community planning

Non-urban young was just slightly more likely to be consulted

HAS BEEN CONSULTED / KNOW OTHERS THAT HAVE BEEN



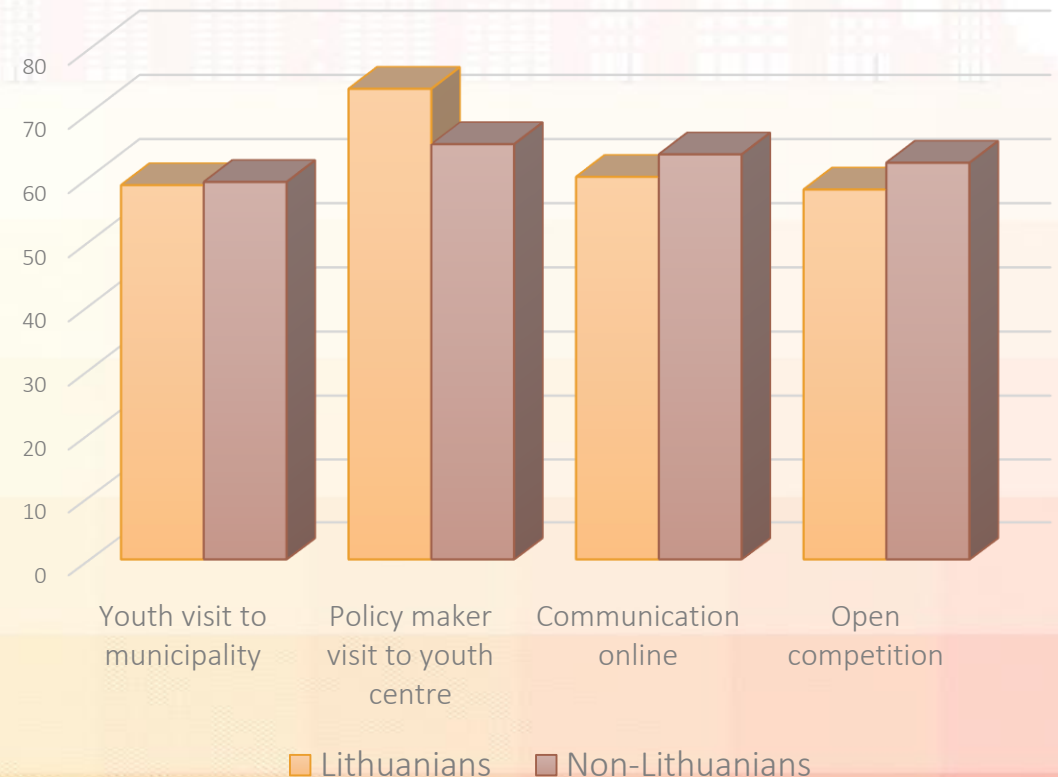
# Key finding 3

Most desirable way for youth to get involved in decision making, is when politicians visit their schools/youth centres (71.49% desirability)

Going to the municipality was the least desirable option (58.84%)

**From the survey:** this was especially true for Lithuanians

Youth preferences for involvement



# Key finding 4

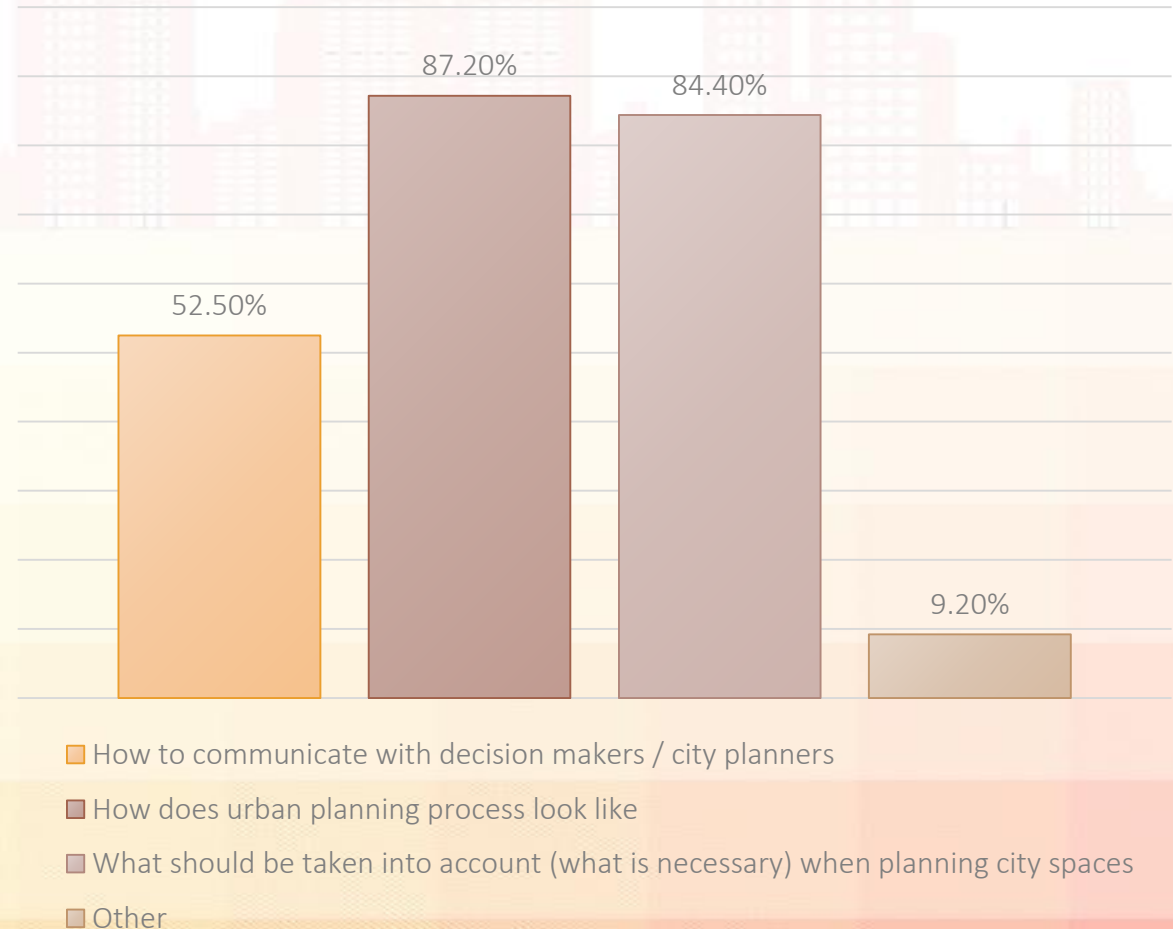
Participants' average self-grade in readiness to help city planners:  
**3.67 / 5**

**From the survey:** grade similar across all age groups

Most important things to know:

Urban planning process (important for 87.2%)

What should be considered when planning city spaces (84.4%)



# Recommendations 1

## FOR YOUNGSTERS:

not to shy away when asking their schools / youth centres to organise policy makers' visits

choose an existing practice & adapt it to fit their needs & surroundings

## FOR POLICY MAKERS:

visit youth organisations / schools and hold open discussions there

research rather than intuition (as a tool for policy planning) should be used more often



# Recommendations 2

## FOR THE MEETING:

focus not on teaching the youth how to communicate with policy makers, but how to make viable urban planning propositions

set guidelines for future youth involvement

## FOR FUTURE RESEARCH:

be more area specific

research not only the young, but also people in decision making institutions/government



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