WIN THE CHANCE TO PERFORM AT EUROPE'S BIGGEST YOUTH POLITICAL FESTIVAL

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Are you an emerging musician or band looking to up your game? Are you looking for a platform to get your music heard? Yo!Fest is once again organising it's Emerging Bands Contest; giving 3 lucky bands the chance to share their unique sounds with thousands of young people in Strasbourg.

This year we are celebrating the 10th edition of Yo!Fest with a special edition of the festival in Strasbourg (France) from 1-2 June in conjunction with the European Youth Event (EYE). We've partnered up again with Europe's largest youth-music network, JM International, to bring our festival goers new music and innovative sounds from around Europe.

Our jury, made of music industry professionals, will select 4 winners (3 bands + 1 DJ) to perform in front of thousands of young people and open for the international headliner of Yo!Fest @ the EYE2018.

We're looking for Europe's next big act to open for some of the leading names in music today! Previous headliners include Massila Sound System, Puggy, Alpha Blondy, I'm From Barcelona, Babylon Circus, Hot Chip and Ojos de Brujos.

The competition is open to musicians between the age of 18 and 30 whose music is accessible to a diverse audience. The Emerging Bands Contest is aimed at bands with up to 8 members who all must be residents from the EU28, EFTA or candidate countries.

Bands must <u>submit their entries online by the 18th of March</u> and will be notified by the beginning of April whether they will have the chance to play at Yo!Fest.

To enter the competition and for more info visit the official Yo!Fest website: <u>www.yofest.eu</u> or the EBC 2018 website: <u>www.yofestebc.eu</u>.Good Luck!

NOTES TO EDITORS ABOUT THE EUROPEAN YOUTH FORUM



The European Youth Forum is the platform of youth organisations in Europe. Independent, democratic, youth-led, it represents 104 National Youth Councils and international youth organisations from across the continent. The Forum works to empower young people to participate actively in society to improve their own lives, by representing and advocating their needs and interests and those of their organisations towards the European Union, the Council of Europe and the United Nations.

For more information, visit <u>www.youthforum.org</u>

NOTES TO EDITORS ABOUT THE YO!FEST

- 2018 marks the 10th edition of Yo!Fest
- It will be the 3rd time that Yo!Fest has featured at the European Youth Event (EYE)
- The festival is free and will take place on June 1-2 in Strasbourg for all 16-30 year olds.
- Over 13,000 people have registered to the event
- There are groups from every EU country and beyond registered
- Yo!Fest combines debates, workshops, talks, exhibitions and performances to celebrate what it means to be a young European.
- The programme which consists of 100+ interactive activities has been shaped by 40+ youth organisations from across Europe.
- There will be a concert in the evening for all participants and the young people of Strasbourg

Website: <u>http://www.yofest.eu</u>

