

The main purpose of this research conducted under the title of 'VIRAGO - "Youth Agenda 2027- Empowered Young Women For Sense Of Active Citizenship And European Values' Activity 1.2, was to identify the challenges and perspectives of European young women in expanding their participation and leadership in civic life. The research basically consists of two parts: the leadership processes of young women and their level of participation in civic life. Within the scope of leadership processes, measurements were made on the representation of young women, democracy & protest and social change, participation in working life and management processes, gender pay gap, working life and family life balance, and the scientific and innovative potential of young women. In the part of participation in civil life, it has been tried to determine the opinions of young women on European citizenship and European values, as well as their knowledge level on the 2019-2027 EU youth strategy and the priority of EU youth goals. Finally, participation in social life, which is one of the basic indicators of active citizenship, has been determined.

The data of this study were collected from 5 EU members - Bulgaria, Estonia, Italy, Romania and Spain and 1 candidate country - Turkey among young women aged between 18 to 29, with a questionnaire form developed in accordance with the aims of the research, using the Google form survey system. A total of 1106 young female participants aged 18-29 from six countries filled the online form of the study. 16.5% of respondents were from Bulgaria, 18.1% from Estonia, 15.9% from Italy, 16.1% from Romania, 16.2% from Spain and 17.2% from Turkey.