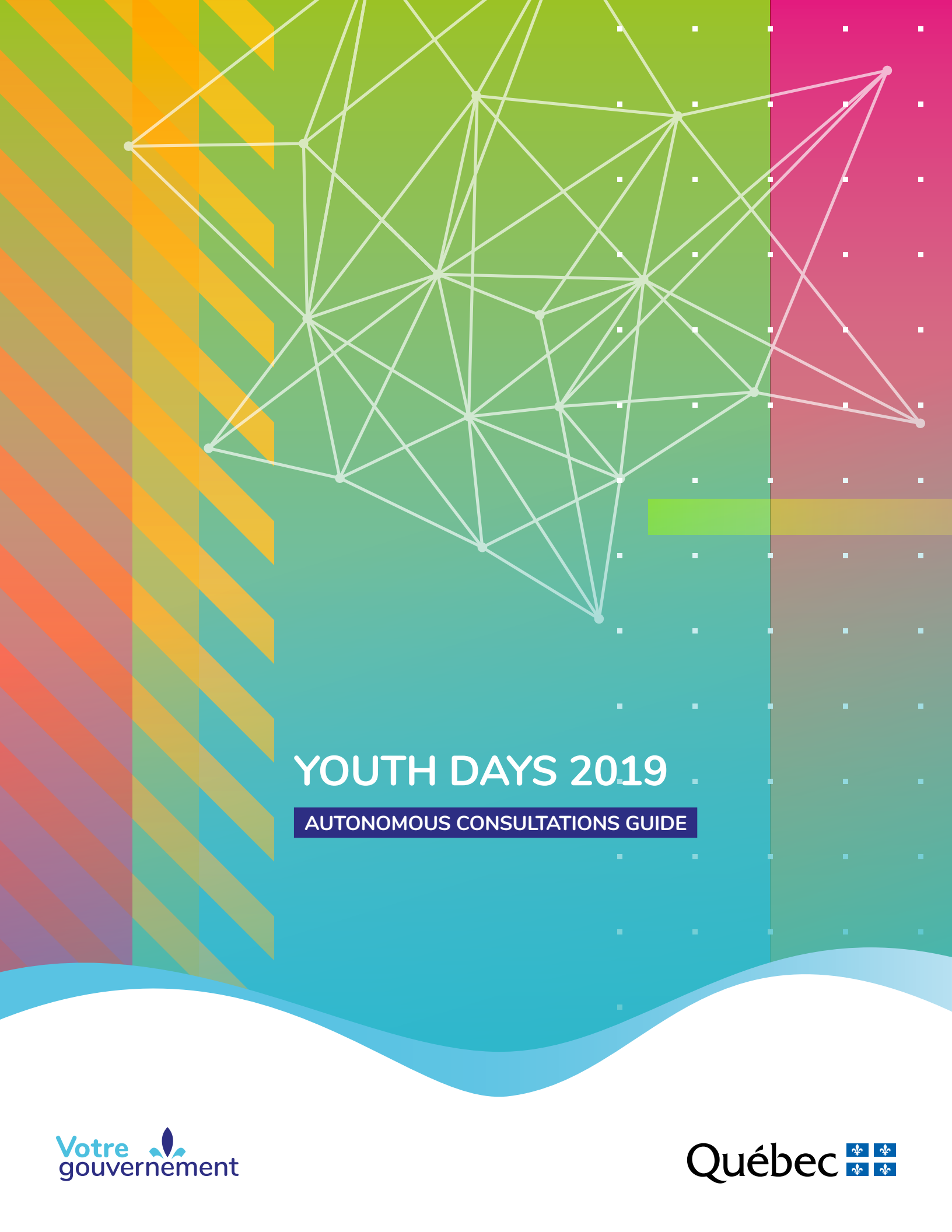


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CONTEXT

The Gouvernement du Québec deems young people to be between 15 and 29 years of age, a period during which they gradually attain personal and social autonomy and make the transition from childhood to adulthood.

With the establishment in 1983 of the Secrétariat à la jeunesse, the Gouvernement du Québec officially committed itself to guide young people in various stages leading to adult life.

One major achievement was an initial youth policy launched in 2001 and renewed in 2016 (*The 2030 Québec Youth Policy*). The Secrétariat à la jeunesse is coordinating *The 2016-2021 Youth Action Strategy*, which will expire shortly. The documents are important since they indicate the priorities and initiatives implemented for Québec young people.

THE VOICE OF YOUNG PEOPLE

The government has initiated a process aimed at the elaboration of the next youth action plan. To sustain its reflection, it wishes to ascertain the concerns and expectations of as many young people as possible.

Potential means of enabling young people to express themselves include a digital consultation platform, and youth days, to be held this fall in five cities (Lévis, Baie-Comeau, Montréal, Rimouski and Gatineau).

AUTONOMOUS CONSULTATIONS THROUGH PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

Until January 7, 2020, the Secrétariat à la jeunesse also invites you to sound out the young people who use your services or that you represent concerning the youth-related priorities and initiatives to be undertaken. To this end, questions to be put to young people are being proposed to you respecting the seven strategic priorities that the government will emphasize in the forthcoming youth action plan: health, education, citizen engagement, employment, entrepreneurship, the environment and culture.

The method of collecting young people's comments is left to your discretion, for example, discussion groups, questionnaires or interviews.

A template is provided in an appendix to report on your consultation process.

QUESTIONS SPECIFIC TO EACH STRATEGIC PRIORITY

Please note that the government is seeking to ascertain the viewpoint of young people on the **youth-related** priorities or the initiatives **that it should adopt**.

The environment

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of the environment?

- Encourage environmentally responsible behaviour
- Promote sustainable transportation
- Foster reliance on green technologies
- Promote contact with nature
- Support environmental education projects
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

Culture

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of culture?

- Foster access to Québec cultural products
- Promote the French language
- Support participation in cultural activities
- Support up-and-coming artists
- Promote cultural occupations
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

Citizenship

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of citizenship?

- Encourage civic engagement
- Broaden opportunities to engage in volunteer work
- Foster intergenerational dialogue
- Foster intercultural dialogue
- Support training in critical thinking
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

Health

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of health?

- Foster healthy dietary habits
- Encourage a physically active way of life
- Focus on mental health problems
- Promote healthy, safe behaviour
- Promote harmonious interpersonal relationships and egalitarian relationships
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

Education

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of education?

- Increase student retention, graduation rates and qualification
- Support access to and participation in extracurricular activities
- Foster access to educational and vocational guidance services
- Emphasize occupational and technical training
- Encourage access to higher education
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

Employment

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of employment?

- Integrate into the labour market young people in difficulty
- Ensure fairer treatment for young people in the workplace
- Promote family-work-study balance
- Foster job mobility in the regions, in Canada and abroad
- Take advantage of employment opportunities in all regions of Québec
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

Entrepreneurship and the new generation of workers

What youth-related objective should the Gouvernement du Québec prioritize in the realm of entrepreneurship?

- Encourage entrepreneurship culture
- Support young people's business startups
- Facilitate business transfers, especially in the case of family businesses
- Support young agricultural entrepreneurs
- Facilitate access by young people to decision-making bodies and prepare the new generation of workers
- Other: _____

What initiatives should be implemented to attain this objective?

A GENERAL QUESTION

What youth-related initiative implemented by the Gouvernement du Québec would make you proud?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please visit the website devoted to **consultations** in anticipation of the forthcoming youth plan:

<https://consultation.quebec.ca/processes/jeunesse>

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APPENDIX:

TEMPLATE TO REPORT

ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMENTS

- Name of the organization that conducted the consultation
- Region in which the organization that conducted the consultation is located
- Consultation method used by the organization
- Total number of young people consulted
- Average age of the young people consulted
- For each of the seven strategic priorities:
 - the priority pinpointed
 - the initiative to be implemented
- Question on the youth-related initiative that would arouse pride in young people

