

The background of the slide is a photograph of a protest in Chile. A large Chilean flag is the central focus, with its characteristic blue, white, and red horizontal stripes and a white star on a blue triangle. In the background, a crowd of people is visible, some holding a white banner with the letters "RE" on it. A building with a sign that says "D. Nueva" and a street number "3517" is also visible.

FOLLOW UP
PROJECT PROPOSAL

PRESENTES

youth participation in the
constitutional process in Chile

Many other countries are still looking at Chile with interest. If the New Constitution does indeed support the desired social changes in the long term, this could have an enormous impact in the region.

We are currently looking for donors to join us in making further substantial contributions to the democratic transition in Chile.

Summary

In October 2019, Chilean citizens took to the streets demanding profound political, social and economic reforms. Since then, we have been playing an integral role in the constitutional process.

In 2022, we sent the expectations and wishes of the Chilean youth from all parts of the country to the Constitutional Convention. In the next phase of the project, young Chileans will familiarize themselves with their New Constitution and develop a sense of ownership over it. For this we need your support.

The New Constitution must have a high level of social support so that it can fulfil the hopes expressed during the Estallido Social and usher in a new democratic era in Chile.

What we've achieved

During 2021 and 2022, we created an environment where the effective participation of children and adolescents in the constitutional process could take place. Through the use of simulation games, a non-formal and innovative educational tool, we collected the opinions and expectations of young people towards the New Constitution.

Within twelve months, 167 workshops have been implemented, in all regions of Chile, with the participation of more than 2,600 Chilean adolescents, and 1,712 opinions and expectations recorded.

Find all previous results on our website



What we plan

In 2024 and 2025, we want to introduce young adults throughout Chile to the contents of their New Constitution.

Using the creative method of simulation games, the challenges that the participants experience in everyday life are replicated virtually. This allows them to explore said challenges and how to solve them using the New Constitution in a safe, fun environment. This is extremely important, especially considering that the Chilean educational curriculum does not include a civic education module.

In this way, Chilean youth can develop a sense of ownership over the New Constitution. With sufficient ownership, social and societal conflicts can be solved democratically in the future. In addition, it is easier for young adults to become more politically involved once they are aware of their opportunities for active participation.

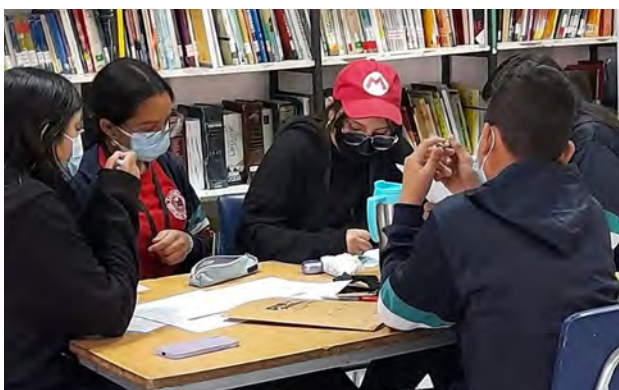
What we need

We are a robust consortium of government actors, academic institutions, and civil society organizations. We work with young adults nationwide and use the innovative simulation game method (also online) to sustainably strengthen political participation.

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That is why we are passionate about implementing the second phase of PRESENTES, so that the new Chilean Constitution can have the greatest possible impact. Join us in teaching the new contents of the New Constitution using customized simulation games.



Planned Activities in 2024/25

The project aims to make further contributions to the democratic transition in Chile and to solve conflicts by peaceful and democratic means. Therefore, we have designed four working packages.



Working Package

Increasing Ownership

Within the tailor-made simulation game, participants must use articles of the New Constitution to solve everyday problems. Due to the interactive nature of the game, the social and political conflicts and their solutions via democratic and peaceful means can be played out on-screen. This experience-based way of learning shows the direct impact of the New Constitution on Chilean youth and subsequently increases their sense of ownership over it.



Working Package

Publishing *Constitución Joven*

We are hoping to raise young people's awareness surrounding the new Constitution through our newly developed and published leaflet. This publication (hardcopy, digital, webapp, etc.) will contain the most relevant parts of the New Constitution for children and adolescents in understandable, straightforward language, supported by case studies and illustrations explaining how the principles and rules can be applied in real life.



Working Package

Capacitating Youth-Mediators

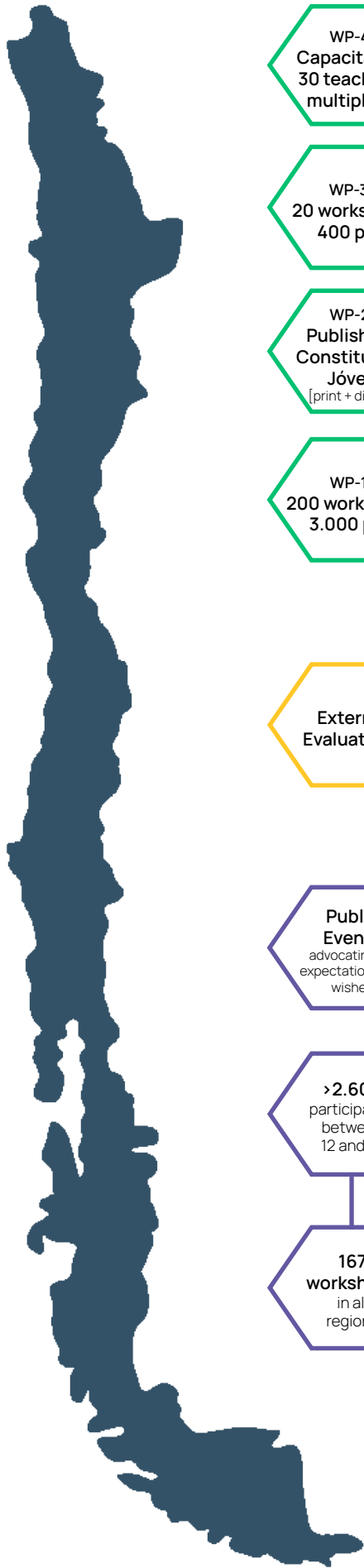
Additionally, we will also tackle the current atmosphere of violence that affects the Chilean school system. Based on the certified program of „Peace Education“, the project trains multipliers from different educational communities in cooperation with the Museo de la Memoria y los Derechos Humanos. Eventually, the aim is that students will have the knowledge on how best to intervene or lead peer-to-peer mediation processes.



Working Package

Didactic Module *Political System*

In Chile, there is no „civic education“ (or similar) subject at school. However, it is necessary to have an awareness of the constitutional organs and how they function in order to be able to actively participate in democratic life. Therefore, this project, together with the Ministerio de Educacion (Mineduc), is developing a didactic module based on a simulation game that teaches young people about the new political system in Chile and explains the mechanisms for participation.



WP-4:
Capacitating
30 teachers/
multipliers

WP-3:
20 workshops
400 pax

WP-2:
Publishing
Constitución
Jóven
[print + digital]

WP-1:
200 workshops
3.000 pax

2025

WP-1:
Ownership

in cooperation with
Ombudswoman for
Children (Defensoría de
la Niñez),
Universidad Metropol-
itana de Ciencias de la
Educación (UMCE),
the NGO **Observa Ci-
udadania** and the
Pontificia Universidad
Catolica de Valparaiso
(PUCV).

WP-4:
Youth-Mediators
in cooperation with
Museo de la memoria y de los Derechos Humanos

WP-2:
Booklet

in cooperation with
Biblioteca del Congreso
and their program
Ley Fácil

WP-3:
**Political
System**

in cooperation with
Ministry of Education
[Mineduc]

2024

External
Evaluations

Referendum
**New
Constitution**

Constitutional
Process
[ongoing]

2023

Public
Events
advocating for
expectations and
wishes

**Expectations &
Wishes**

of youth towards
New Constitution

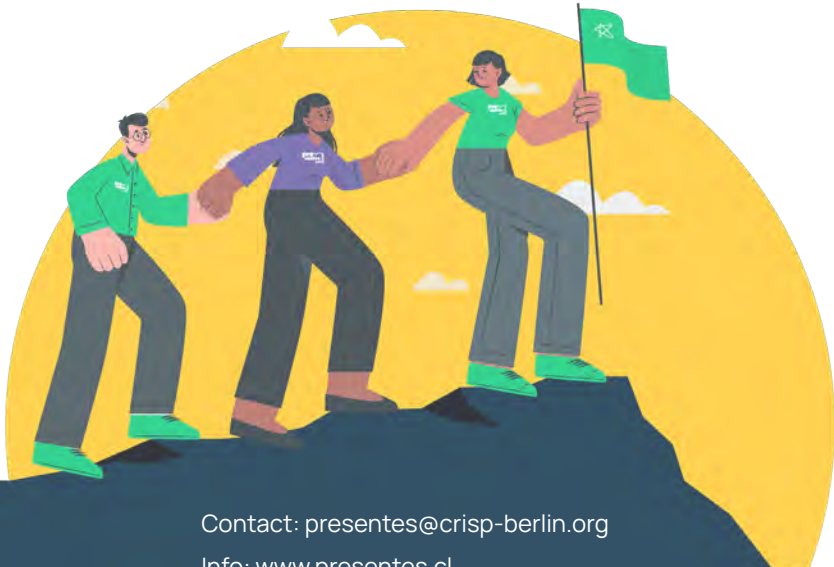
Convención
Constitucional
2022

2022

>2.600
participants
between
12 and 17

2021

167
workshops
in all
regions



- planned
- ongoing
- implemented