



# RESEARCH PROJECTS ON THE RESEARCH-BASED ANALYSIS AND MONITORING OF ERASMUS+ YOUTH (RAY-MON) AND THE SOLIDARITY CORPS (RAY-SOC)

SUMMATIVE REPORT FOR AMENDMENT

JULY 2021 - JUNE 2022



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#### Report of activities 2021/2022

In 2008, the RAY Network was founded with the aim to contribute to quality assurance and quality development in the implementation of the European Union's Youth in Action Programme (2007–2013). The initial network partners developed the first standard surveys for project participants and project teams, which were further refined at the start of the next programme generation, Erasmus+ Youth in Action (2014–2020). As part of the network's core research projects on the research-based analysis and monitoring of Erasmus+ Youth (RAY-MON) and the European Solidarity Corps (RAY-SOC), the surveys were overhauled for the first time since the network's foundation at the start of the current programme generation (2021–2027). As part of the development process, special attention was paid to ensuring the relevance of survey data for the mid-term evaluation of both European youth programmes.

#### During the reporting period, the following research coordination activities were implemented:

- Mapping of indicators for the Erasmus+ Youth programme, including an analysis of indicators used for previous mid-term evaluations
- Mapping of indicators for the European Solidarity Corps, including an analysis of indicators used for previous mid-term evaluations for those project types that existed previously in the Youth in Action and predecessor programmes
- Development of survey questions of relevance for all indicators
- Discussion of survey questions with key stakeholders, including the core group of National Agencies and thematic SALTO centres
- Refinement of survey questions based on feedback received during those discussions
- Production of a summative report and a report of expenditure for this project phase

#### During the reporting period, the following research communication activities were implemented:

- Presentation of progress, options & plans during working group meeting in December 2021
- Participation in several development meetings with institutional partners in 2021 and 2022
- Participation in development meetings with youth work and solidarity related SNACs
- Presentation and discussion during the Directors General Meeting in October 2021
- Presentation and discussion the E+ NA-Commission Meeting in June 2022



### **ANNEXES**

1. INDICATORS FOR MID-TERM EVALUATION