



Taksvärkki's strategy

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Vision

A sustainable and equitable world, where the human rights of every young person are realized in Finland and around the world.

Mission

By combining global education and development cooperation, we strengthen the understanding of young people, educators, experts and decision-makers about global equity and its challenges. We support the activities of young people for a more equitable world both in Finland and around the world. We work actively and boldly with the movements of young people and educators, take a stand and are pioneers in hearing the voices of young people.

Values

Equity

Taksvärkki's activities are guided by and based on the human rights as defined in international agreements. Taksvärkki's operations are based on the idea of sustainability and the promotion of global equity.

Parity

According to Taksvärkki, all people, including young people, people with disabilities and members of minority groups, are equal actors. The role of young people can best be strengthened by improving young people's opportunities in their communities and by strengthening their participation in the structures of society. Taksvärkki aims to pay special attention to young people who experience discrimination and to support their agency in society.

Equality

Equality and non-discrimination are seen as broad entities, encompassing both the empowerment of vulnerable populations and the promotion of gender equality in the society at large. Taksvärkki's activities will emphasize the dismantling of social barriers and gender norms, and take gender diversity into account in all our operations.

Hope

Taksvärkki's view of the future is positive. In addition to threats, there is also a lot of good in the world. It is possible to further increase people's mutual understanding and broaden their views. Young people and their agency create hope now and for the future. Social injustices, climate change and the challenges they bring can be addressed, and education can open eyes and inspire action. The world, our society and our future are increasingly complex and changing at a rapid pace, but with foresight, such as inspiring education including positive stories of change and active participation, we are part of this capacity for change.

Description of operating environment

Rising living standards globally have not eradicated poverty, inequality and inhumane conditions. Inequality has increased and climate change is bringing more challenges and further complicating life and livelihoods in many areas. Global understanding is needed more than ever. Human rights must be actively promoted, and a more sustainable future must be realized. Development cooperation has changed and is changing, but there is still a need and a place for it. We need more understanding and action for global justice and sustainable development also in the immediate term. The situation of organizations is affected by the faster pace and unpredictable direction change.

Objectives

- The inclusion and agency of young people is strengthened.
 - Increasing the influence of Finnish young people under the age of 29 and supporting active participation in the society.
 - The organization of Taksvärkki events will become more diverse and even more implemented by the young people themselves.
 - The Taksvärkki campaign is a well-known but renewed way to both raise funds and make the lives of young people known globally.
- Ensuring the realization of young people's human rights and promoting gender equality and non-discrimination.
 - Taksvärkki's own operations are accessible and non-discriminatory.
 - Development cooperation with partner organizations will focus in particular on vulnerable populations of people under the age of 29 and those responsible for their communities.
 - In Finland, projects and work on youth can be implemented with youth groups that are or may be in a vulnerable position.
- Young people's understanding of development issues and their enthusiasm and desire to act and influence will increase.
 - Taksvärkki aims to make the world more equitable through global education.
 - Taksvärkki implements high-quality global education through school visits, materials and workshops for young people, as well as by training teachers, teacher students and others working with young people.

- Taksvärkki's global education reflects Taksvärkki's values and the inclusion and agency of young people.
 - ❖ Activities and voices of diverse young people are seen and heard in the activities.
 - Global education is implemented in particular through critical global education, ie by breaking down stereotypes and encouraging social change.
- Taksvärkki is developing as an expert in global education.
 - Taksvärkki cooperates nationally and internationally with education professionals, such as researchers and educators, as well as global education organizations that share our values, and these support the development of Taksvärkki's expertise.
 - Taksvärkki's reputation as a global education organization is strengthened thanks to high-quality implemented and developing global education.
- Awareness of Taksvärkki's work will increase among member organizations and young people and Taksvärkki as a youth organization will be strengthened.
 - The involvement of young people is at the heart of all Taksvärk's own activities.
 - Young people can influence activities both through member organizations and as individual members.
 - Contacts with member organizations and their young people will be strengthened and member organizations will be involved.
- Taksvärkki develops as an organization and in relevance.
 - Taksvärkki participates actively in current societal issues and debate.
 - Taksvärkki is a well-structured and managed organization.
 - Taksvärkki is renewed with changes in the operating environment but retains its core values and works for them.
 - Taksvärkki seeks and develops new operating models and funding opportunities.