

Rural Youth as Leaders of Change

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My story



My farm

My commitment with Slovenian Rural Youth ZSPM





My role as Vice President of the European Council of Young Farmers (CEJA)

Service to my rural community









Young farmer's perspective

Back in 2019, CEJA joined forces with Rural Youth Europe and MIJARC Europe to develop a 7-point manifesto on the future of rural areas:

- 1. Accessible and life-long education and training in and for rural areas
- 2. Targeted investments supporting activities that facilitate entrepreneurship in rural areas
- 3. Actions targeting the preservation of the social fabric of rural areas
- 4. Better availability of affordable health services
- 5. Reliable infrastructure and connectivity
- 6. Actions to tackle environmental and climate change
- 7. Support for rural youth and young farmers' organisations







Youth engagement in the Rural Pact

Young farmer's perspective

- 1. Foster intergenerational dialogue and solutions
- 2. Develop the right opportunities for ourselves and rural youths at large
- 3. Incarnate rural areas as ambassadors





