

MORE THAN A TALKSHOP

Regaining the *Assemblée Nationale du Liban* / مجلس النواب

WHAT IS IN THERE FOR YOU?

Skills and Empowerment

- learning how to be at ease when speaking about one's ideas in front of a public
- developing skills in negotiation, consensus-seeking, leadership
- understanding and confronting each other's viewpoints
- challenging commonplace explanations and arguments – developing a culture of accountability among politicians
- actively demanding the right for representation – empowerment

Political expertise

- insight into the most pressing political subjects – contextualizing current contentious issues and political debates
- setting a basis for well-founded discussions on these subjects – creating a culture of accountability by showing that young people's standpoints need to be taken seriously

Exchange platform

- delivering a specific youth perspective on the above-mentioned political issues
- exchanging opinions, ideas, hopes and visions with other young people – discovering common standpoints and articulating common political demands
- **transmitting those common standpoints to MPs during a Question-and-Answer session**

Fun

- forging team spirit – developing a feeling of collective responsibility as the youth of Lebanon regardless of sectarian divide
- challenging the double power division in Lebanon (horizontal and vertical) – developing a culture of political accountability