

EU local resources: Your region, your opportunities

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EUROPE DIRECT: Local Information Networks



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European Commission in Spain

Mandate

- Support President & College interaction with Spain → inform EU policy-making and political communication
- Promote ongoing political dialogue
- Act as VOICE of the Commission in Spain:
 - communicate on EU matters to media
 - direct contacts with national, regional and local media
 - press and communication services
- ENGAGE with citizens and stakeholders: communication events, dialogues and outreach activities on EU policy priorities



Educational Resources Commission Representation in Spain – Web

[Educational resources – European Commission \(europa.eu\)](http://europa.eu)



EU VALUES awareness: diversity, respect and openness to other cultures

Examples I – Spanish sports with EUROPE DAY across country



40 años celebrando juntos el Día de Europa

Desde 1986

The logo features a blue background with yellow icons of a person running, a person on a bicycle, and a lightning bolt, arranged in a circular pattern around the central text.

a los valores europeos a través del deporte.

Durante esta semana decenas de competiciones de todo el país destacarán el vínculo del deporte con Europa y la defensa de sus valores. En



Examples II “European Squares & “Euro-tapeos”



Examples III “Madrid Book Fair” - Europavillion



Viernes 30 de mayo
19:30 - 20:30

Europa. Última oportunidad

- **Enrico Letta**, ex Primer Ministro de Italia, actual Decano de IE School of Politics, Economics and Global Affairs
- **Andrea Rizzi**, corresponsal de asuntos globales de El País

Un diálogo imprescindible sobre el futuro del continente europeo.
Una reflexión profunda y urgente sobre el papel de Europa en el



Examples IV – Regional EU Teachers' Fora, EUROPE DIRECT network



Local & Regional European Information networks

OBJECTIVE Bring Europe closer to its citizens: Info, debates, activities!

TARGET: General public, Young people, Entrepreneurs, Unemployed people, Citizenship, Social sector,...

Networks: 37 Europe Direct, 29 European Documentation Centres, Eurodesk, Eures, Europass, many more!

MAP [“The European Union around me”](#)

The image displays two screenshots of an interactive map interface. The left screenshot shows a map of Spain and its surrounding regions with numerous colorful location pins. The right screenshot shows the same map with a different set of pins, primarily blue and green, and a control panel on the right side. The control panel includes a 'Filter' section with dropdown menus for 'Spain', 'Seleccionar región I', and 'Seleccionar región II'. Below this, there are tabs for 'TEMÁTICAS' and 'REDES'. Under 'TEMÁTICAS', there is a checked box for 'Todas' and unchecked boxes for 'Consumidores', 'Cultura', 'Migración', and 'Estudiar en el extranjero'. Under 'REDES', there is a checked box for 'All' and unchecked boxes for 'EUROPE DIRECT centres' and 'European Documentation Centres'. The 'EUROPE DIRECT centres' entry includes a small description: 'EUROPE DIRECT centres bring the European Union closer to...'. The map interface also features standard navigation controls like zoom in/out, pan, and print.



400 EUROPE DIRECT centres Local & Regional European Information networks

LISTEN, INFORM, ENGAGE

- Participation in democratic life
- Common European values
- Civic sphere & engagement



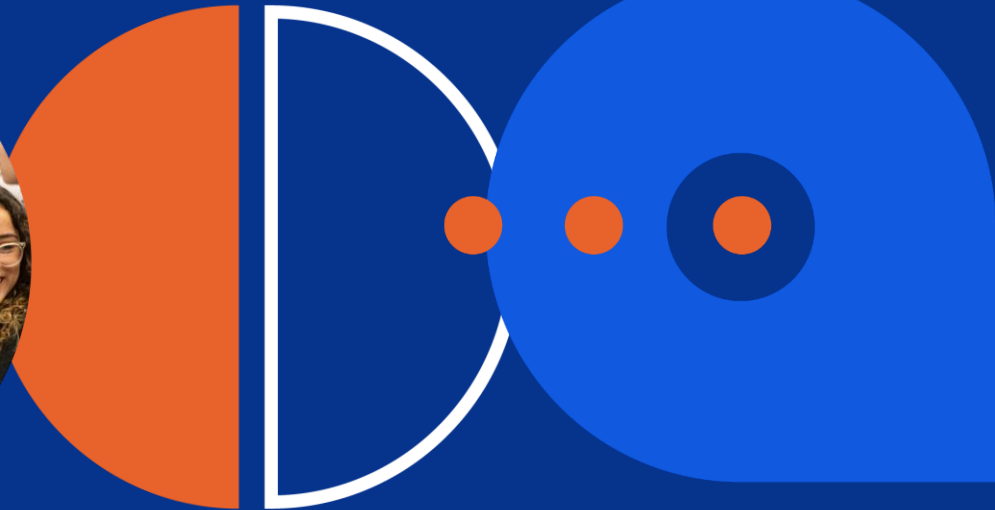
Events by local & regional partners



Citizen engagement

European Citizens' Panels

Citizens' Engagement Platform



Where do we stand on **citizen engagement**?

- Delivering on proposals from the **Conference on the Future of Europe**
- A **new ecosystem** for citizen engagement:
 - European Citizens' Panels and other participatory formats
 - **Have Your Say Portal** as an online one-stop-shop to impact policymaking including the Citizens' Engagement Platform
- New Generation of the European Citizens' Panels:
 - 150 **randomly selected** citizens from all EU 27 Member States, representing EU diversity, deliberate on topics of EU importance
 - In the years 2023-2026, the Panels on the topics of **Food Waste, Learning Mobility, Virtual Worlds, Energy Efficiency, Tackling Hatred in Society, EU long-term Budget, Intergenerational Fairness and Preparedness.**
 - In 2026, the Panel on **Democratic Resilience** will take place from September to November



European Citizens' Panels I

- **Democratic innovation!**
- European Citizens' Panels are a deliberative format in which citizens collaborate to develop **common solutions** on a chosen topic. The Panels complement representative democracy
- Different from COFE – only linked to the **European Commission**
- The Panels contribute to the first stages of **EU policymaking**



European Citizens' Panels II

Participants

- 150 citizens, randomly selected
 - Random phone calls and door-to-door approach
- Must represent the EU diversity in terms of:
 - Gender
 - Age
 - Socioeconomic background
 - Level of studies
 - Rural/Urban areas
 - Attitude towards the EU
- **1 in 3 participants aged 16 – 29 y/o**



European Citizens' Panels III

How do they work?

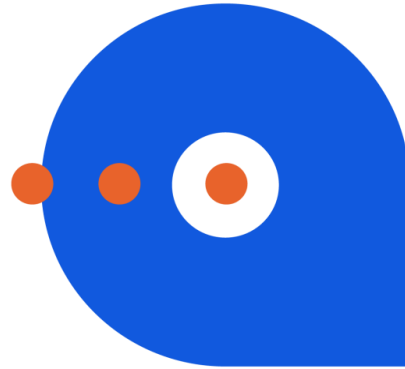
- **3 weekends**
 - Two in person in Brussels
 - One in an interactive online environment
- Participants work in plenaries, subplenaries and **12 working subgroups**, supported by **facilitators** and **experts**
- The working groups discuss priorities for action and draft **recommendations**
- Recommendations are presented in plenary, **participants vote on them to show the level of support**
- The recommendations are taken into account in the policy initiative and adopted by the College as a **Citizens' report**



Citizens' Engagement Platform

What is it?

A multilingual digital platform **for citizens**

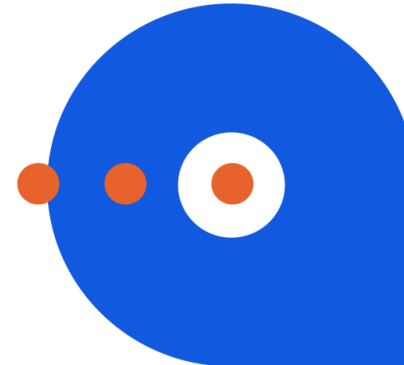


Main goal

Allow **all** citizens to share their ideas and exchange on them

Commission's use

Provides services to **support** participatory and deliberative processes



Multilingual

Shows multilingual content and enables interaction **in all the official EU** languages

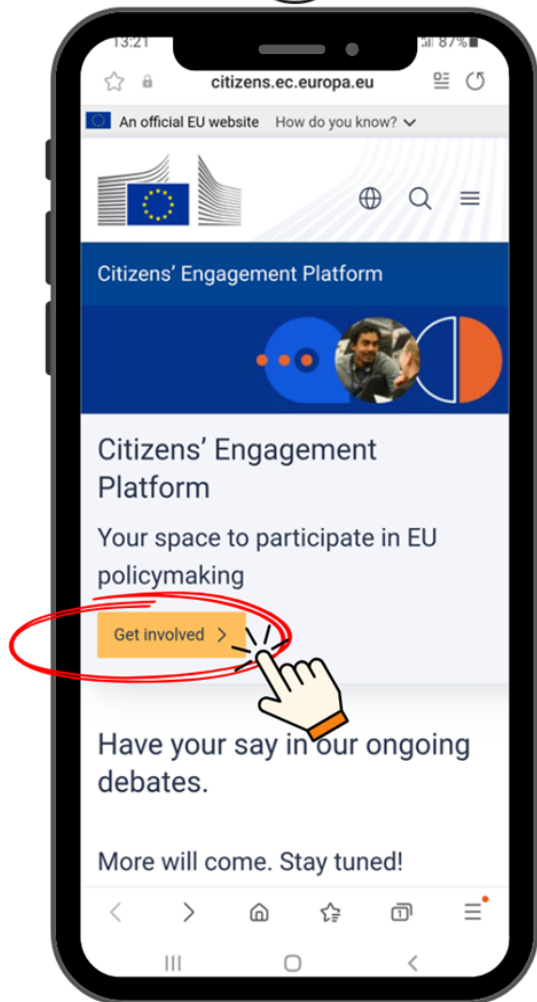


citizens.ec.europa.eu

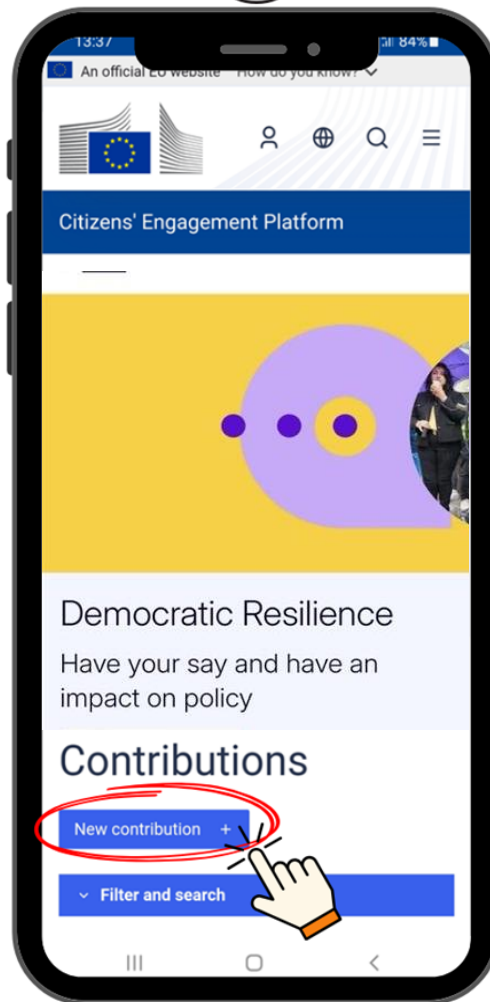


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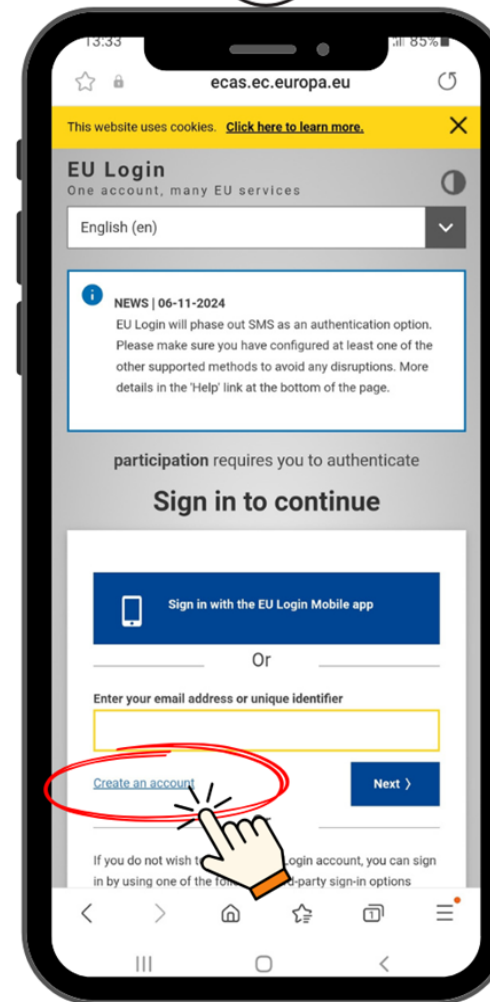
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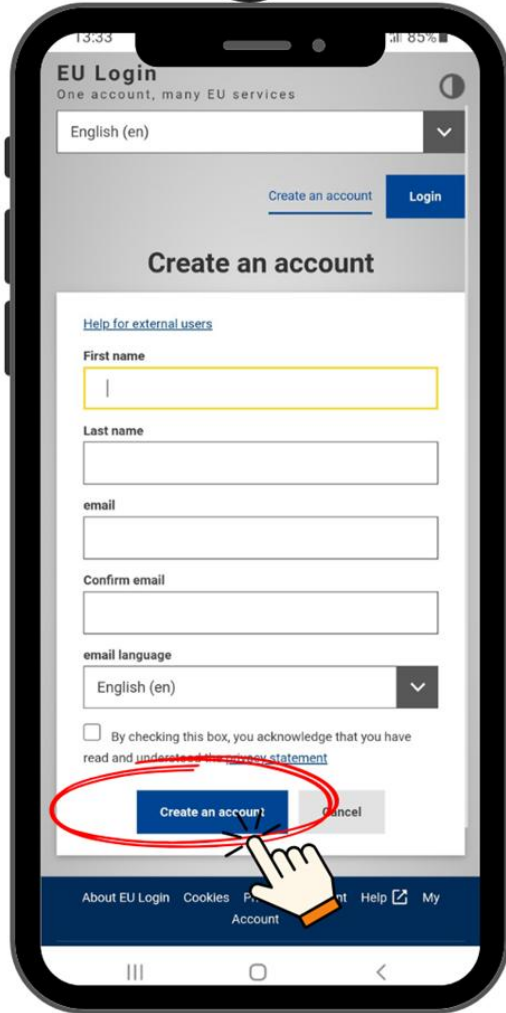
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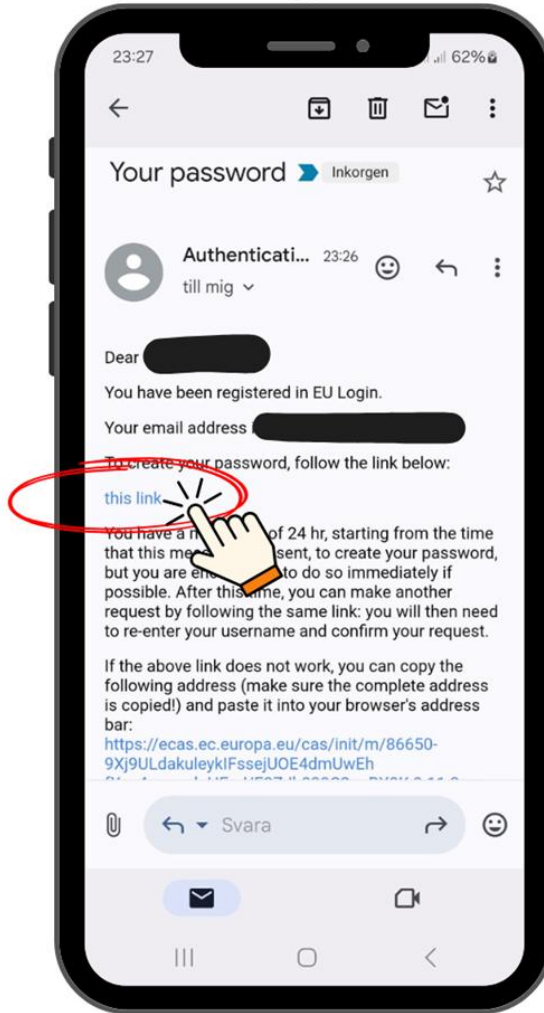
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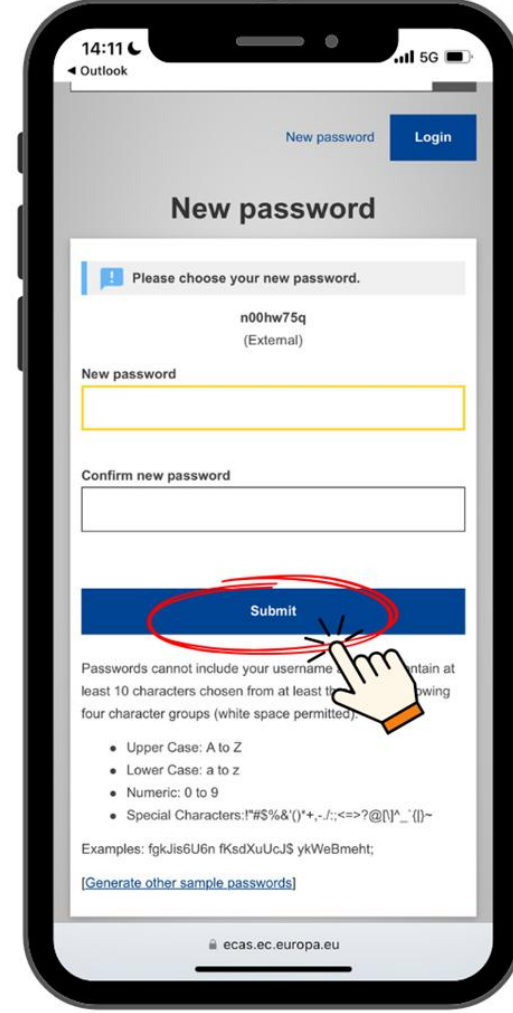
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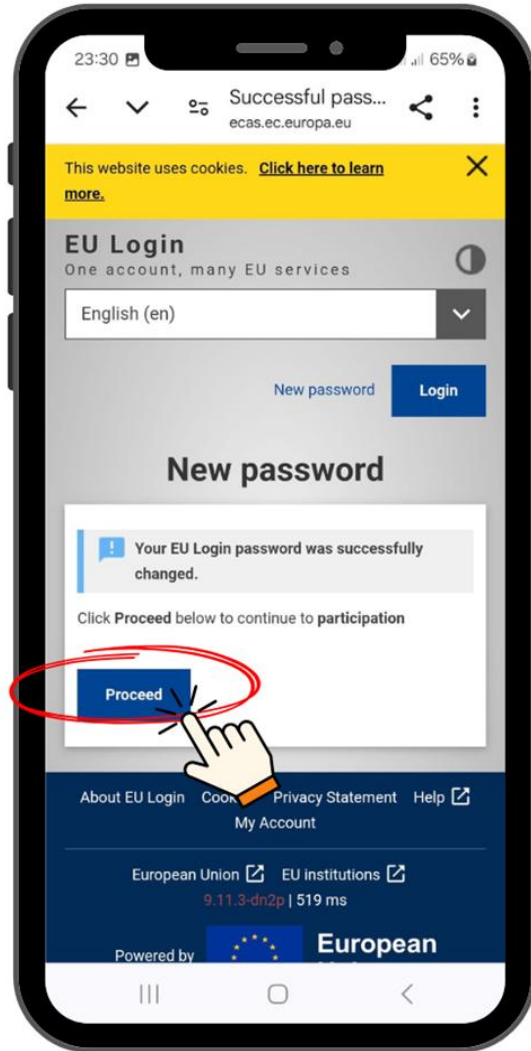
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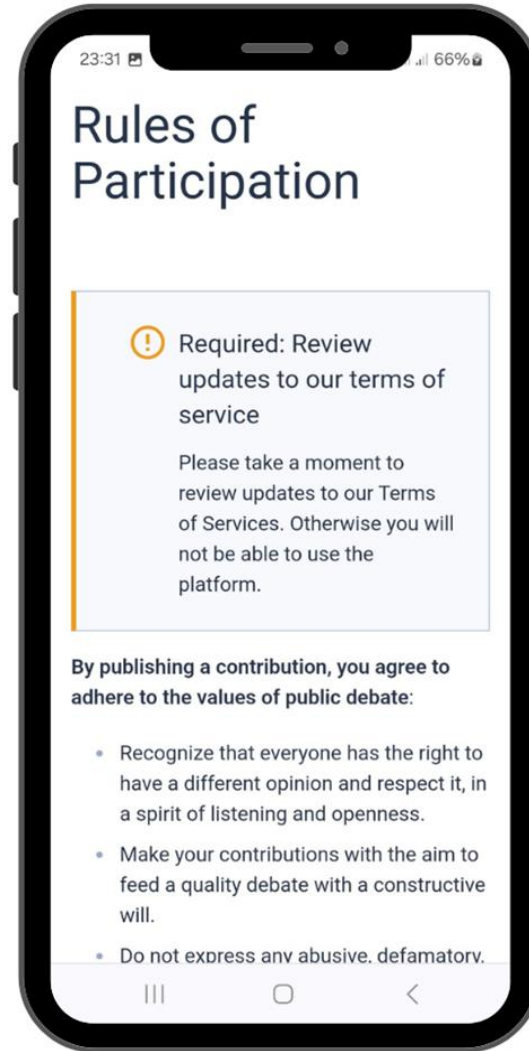
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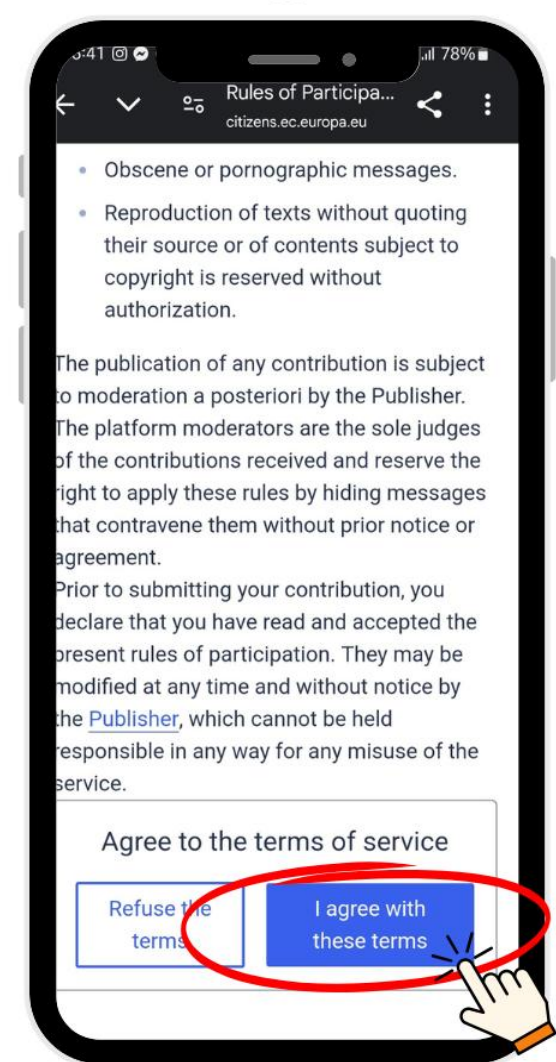
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Share Your contribution

Share your contribution Publish your contribution

i You must summarize your idea in a title containing less than 150 characters. You are then entitled to a maximum of 1500 characters to develop your idea. If you see the error message "Must start with a capital letter", make sure that sentences following a line break ("Enter" key) start with a capital letter. The platform will automatically detect the language of your contribution and provide a translation for citizens that do not speak your language.

* Required fields are marked with an asterisk

Title *

Please enter at least 15 characters, 1500 characters remaining

Body *

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Category

Add documents

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Make recommendations for the European Commission's proposal!

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Democratic Resilience

Have your say and have an impact on policy



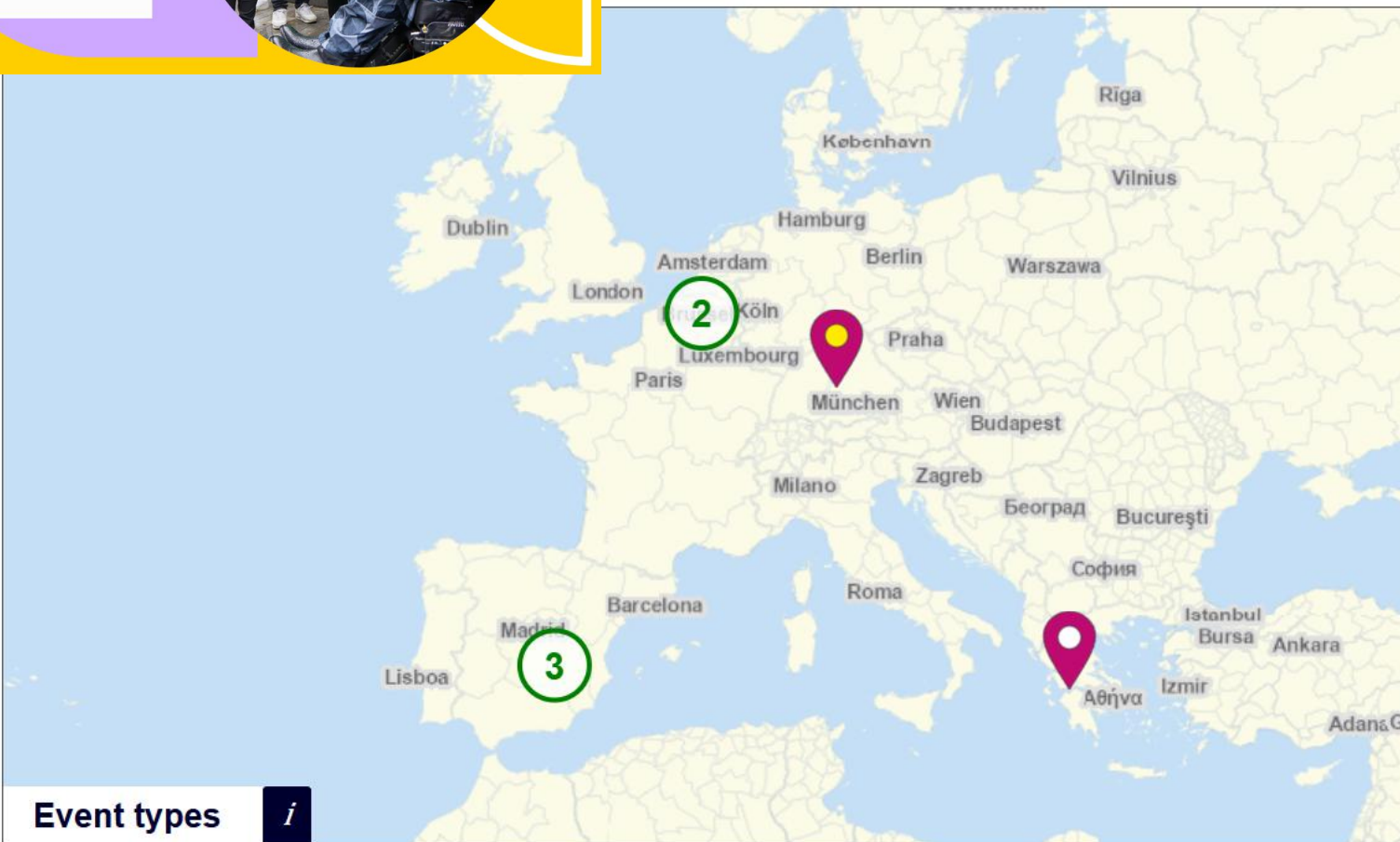
Events happening now

Filter your search below

Date

All

Upcoming



Event types

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Public consultation

OPEN!!

Feedback: Open

Consultation period

23 April 2026 - 10 July 2026 (midnight Brussels time)

The Commission would like to hear your views.

This public consultation is open. Your input will be taken into account as we further develop and fine-tune this initiative. We will summarise the input we receive in a synopsis report, explaining how we have taken it into account. Feedback received will be published on this site and therefore must adhere to the [feedback rules](#).

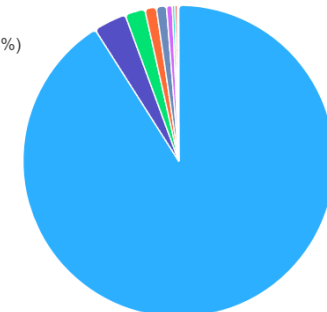
Go to consultation >

Total of valid feedback instances received: 4669

i The number feedback instances shown includes only the valid ones, respecting the feedback rules. The data is regularly updated.

By category of respondent

- EU citizen: 4248 (90.98%)
- Non-governmental organisation (NGO): 160 (3.43%)
- Non-EU citizen: 97 (2.08%)
- Academic/research Institution: 56 (1.20%)
- Public authority: 49 (1.05%)
- Other: 28 (0.60%)
- Company/business: 13 (0.28%)
- Business association: 11 (0.24%)
- Consumer organisation: 4 (0.09%)



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Your Voice Matters! Help Shape the Future EU Youth Strategy

Have your Say portal for Kids



EU Children's Participation Platform

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The screenshot shows the top portion of the website. At the top is a dark blue navigation bar with the following items: "Home", "Children's voices" (with a dropdown arrow), "Participate!", "Activities and news" (with a dropdown arrow), "Members" (with a dropdown arrow), and "About" (with a dropdown arrow). Below the navigation bar is a large banner with a light blue background featuring faint white stars and a grid pattern. On the left side of the banner is a photograph of two young girls, one in a yellow shirt and one in a green shirt, with the girl in green pointing upwards. Overlaid on the right side of the banner is a white text box containing the following text:

Your Voice, Our Europe

Children have the right to express their views and have their opinions considered in important decisions. This Platform is a safe space for children and teenagers to have their say on the European laws and policies which concern them.



Thank you very much for your attention!

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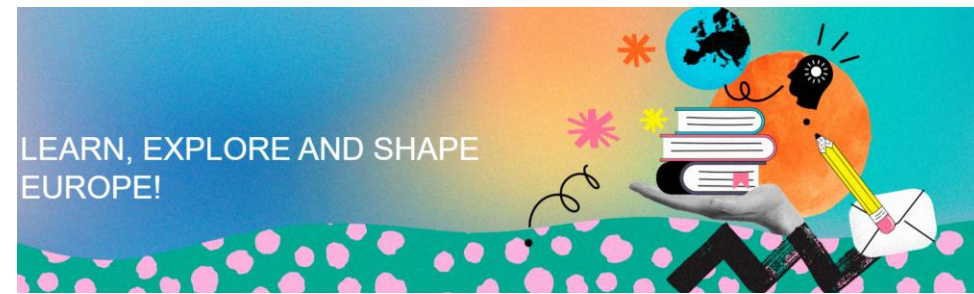


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Learning Corner



OBJECTIVE: Support to primary and secondary school pupils and teachers

RESOURCES: games, quizzes, activity books, educational materials to discover the EU in a fun way, in class or at home.

E.G.: Toolkit How to Spot and fight DisInformation

Classroom toolkit

A screenshot of a webpage titled 'How to spot and fight disinformation'. The page features a purple background with an illustration of a person in an orange checkered shirt holding a smartphone. To the right, there is a text box with a description of the toolkit and three download buttons: 'Presentation slides (PPTX)', 'Presentation slides (PDF)', and 'Handbook (PDF)'. The European Union flag is visible in the top right corner of the page.

https://learning-corner.learning.europa.eu/learning-materials/staying-vigilant-online-can-you-spot-information-manipulation_en

A grid of eight educational resource cards. Each card has a title, a brief description, and an illustration. The cards are: 1. 'Use of artificial intelligence (AI) and data in teaching and learning' with an illustration of a teacher at a whiteboard. 2. 'A smart kid's guide to the online world of wonders' with an illustration of a wizard and a star. 3. 'Art in Democracy - Pedagogical Kit' with an illustration of a dog. 4. 'Coding' with an illustration of a girl and a robot. 5. 'Democracy Toolkit' with an illustration of three girls. 6. 'DIGITAL EXPLORERS cartoon series' with an illustration of a group of people. 7. 'Eurostat Education corner' with an illustration of a graduation cap. 8. 'Eurostat interactive publications' with an illustration of a hand pointing to a book.

EU Academy - EU policy courses

TARGET: All citizens

EU Login required!

RESOURCES: online learning platform with first-hand information, high-quality educational resources and high-value knowledge, produced directly by the EU institutions.

Examples



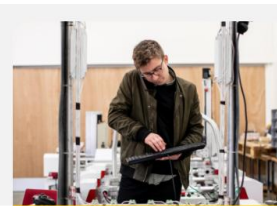
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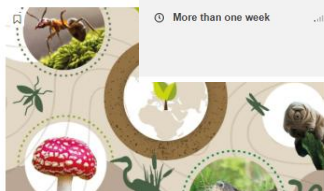
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¿Has visto una espe...
★★★★★ (6)

Digital Technologies to Support Innovative Pedagogies in Vocational Education and Training

More than one week Novice



energía, cambio climático y medio ambiente
Global Covenant of Mayors - Cities taking...
★★★★★ (4)



educación y desarrollo de capacidades
El suelo, un estallido de vida: el mundo...
★★★★★ (2)

Sensibilización sobre las vacunas para los profesionales de la educación primaria y secundaria

A few hours Beginner



liderazgo, innovación y el intercambio de conocimientos en el sector público
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<https://academy.europa.eu/?lang=en>