



# EUROPEAN ACADEMY NETWORK

## ENCOURAGING DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION AT EU LEVEL

Brussels (Belgium) 17 JUNE 2021  
INTERNATIONAL PROJECT EVENT  
ONLINE

### BRUSSELS INTERNATIONAL PROJECT EVENT

#### Europe in the making - exercising forms of engagement at local and EU level

This year is marked by the launch of the Conference on the Future of Europe, a new platform in which citizens play a vital role and engage in conversation with EU decision-makers. The third international event of the European Academy Network will provide international and local participants insights into maximising civic and political participation at EU level by ordinary European citizens.

This one-day event will equip participants with the tools and knowledge to make their voices heard on the European level. This will be achieved through two sessions: the first session in the morning will feature a presentation on Citizens' engagement tools (Complaints; requesting access to documents; request to Ombudsman; petitions; European Citizens' Initiatives). The second session will take place in the afternoon and will focus primarily on EU funding programmes, including new opportunities under the 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial Framework, in addition to a preview of the first ever Plenary of the Conference on the Future of Europe (CoFoE).

The event will be hosted entirely online, enabling more participants to join.

The event aims to achieve the following results:

- Providing participants with the tools and knowledge to have a direct say in the decision-making process of the European Union
- Supplying participants with practical information on accessing EU funding opportunities through a training session and presentation
- Enhancing understanding of how the voices of European citizens are being represented in future reforms of the EU through optional virtual attendance of the plenary session and citizens' panels of the CoFoE
- Generating publicity and online coverage through a press release, social media posts, photos and videos



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The project partners are required to ensure that at least 4 persons per partner will register and attend the sessions on the 17th of June

In addition, we suggest to the partners to attend the plenary of the Conference on the Future of Europe (CoFoE) that will take place on the 19th of June, with the possibility for participants to exchange their views afterwards among those interested in organising a debate in their locality.

REGISTER FOR THE EVENT ONLINE:

[https://www.eventbrite.com/e/european-academy-network-brussels-event-17th-june-tickets-157033731117?keep\\_tld=1](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/european-academy-network-brussels-event-17th-june-tickets-157033731117?keep_tld=1)

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(Paris, Brussels, Madrid, Podgorica, Warsaw, Budapest)*

**Thursday 17th June 2021**

#### MORNING

- 10:00 - 10:10 Welcome from the hosts and the project team
- 10:10 - 10:20 Introducing the online activities and sessions
- 10:20 - 10:40 Round table with participants discussing their answers to the survey
- 10:40 - 11:00 Presentation on CAPRI (Complaints; access to documents; petitions, requests to the European Ombudsman; European Citizens' Initiatives)
- 11:00 - 11:15 A special session on ECIs by ECAS as organiser of the ECI forum
- 11:15 - 11:30 Q&A session and conclusions from the morning session

#### AFTERNOON

- 14:00 - 14:10 Welcome from the hosts and the project team
- 14:10 - 15:00 Session on EU Funding programmes



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15:00 - 15:15 Short break

15:15 - 15:45 Presentation on tips for EU fundraisers

15:45 - 16:15 Explanatory session on the Plenary of the Conference on the Future of Europe (CoFoE), that will be held on 19th June and related events

16:15 - 16:30 Q&A session and conclusions from the afternoon session

16:30 - 16:35 Final remarks and close



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