



CIVIC PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE

PROGRAMME

SECOND PLUS EUROPE CONFERENCE

Committee of the Regions, Brussels
12&13 May, 2014

MONDAY, 12 May 2014

9:30

Registration

9:45

IMPORTANT NOTICE Due to the Security Check at the entrance of the Committee of the Regions building it is advised to arrive early to avoid queues.

OPENING CEREMONY

9:45

Daniel Janssens

Secretary General, EU Committee of the Regions (CoR).

10:00

Araldo Abruzzini

Secretary General, Eurochambres.

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Jacques di Costanzo

Member of the Board of Rotary International.

SESSION 1. EU GOVERNANCE

'Challenges for Civic Participation in European Democratic Governance'

10:00

Jan Wouters

Jean Monnet Chair Ad Personam EU and Global Governance, KU Leuven.

11:45

Elena Flores

Director of Policy Strategy and Coordination, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission.

Jaap W. de Zwaan

Professor of Law of the European Union, Erasmus University Rotterdam.

José M. de Areilza Carvajal

Professor of Law and Jean Monnet Chair, ESADE Law School.

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Moderator: **Janis A. Emmanouilidis**

Director of Studies and member of the Reflection Group of the New Pact for Europe, European Policy Centre (EPC).

SESSION 2. EU FINANCIAL

'Possible Models of Retail Banking in Europe'

11:45

Wolfgang Neumann

Chairman of the WSBI-ESBG Coordination Committee.

13:00

Sébastien de Brouwer

Executive Director, Retail Financial Services, European Banking Federation.

Sjerp van der Vaart

Director, Information Office of the European Parliament to the Kingdom of Belgium.

Daniel Nicolaes

Chairman, Belgium Association of Bank and Insurance Advisors.

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Moderator: **Josep Soler**

Chairman, European Financial Planning Association.

13:00

Lunch for attendees (Atrium, 5th Floor)

14:00

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SESSION 3. EU SOCIAL POLICIES 'The Standards of a Social Model in Europe'

14:00
16:00

Xavier Prats-Monné
Deputy Director-General for Education and Culture, European Commission.
Joan Francesc Pont
Chamber of Commerce of Barcelona.
J.M. Moran
VicePresident of the Spanish Chapter. Club of Rome.
Denis Stokkink
President, Pour la Solidarité.

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Moderator: **Ina Piperaki**
Owner, Dr. Piperaki International Consulting & Pharmacy.

INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE between citizens' organisations and business representatives

16:00
17:00

Panellist 1: **Diogo Pinto**, Secretary General, European Movement International.

Panellist 2: **Helmut Fluhrer**, CEO, European Language Technology Group.

Panellist 3: **Adam Nyman**, Director, Debating Europe.

Panellist 4: **Natalia Alonso**, Deputy Director of Advocacy & Campaigns,
Oxfam International.

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All participants are invited to pose their questions and debate with the panellists who have experience in European matters and will actively dialogue with the audience.

CITIZEN AWARDS GALA DINNER

19:30

'Democracy and citizenship in Europe'
Paul Nemitz,
Director, Fundamental rights and Union citizenship. European Commission.

Citizen Awards:

- EU Professional Commitment
- EU Civic Initiative
- EU Citizen Participation

The Citizen Awards Gala Dinner will take place at
HOTEL THON EU
75, rue de la Loi
Brussels

TUESDAY, 13 May 2014

SESSION 4. PENSIONS. PART I: CASE STUDIES

'Common ground for the different pension funds in Europe'

09:00
11:00

OPENING REMARKS

Delegate of László Andor, European Commissioner on Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion*

PART I: CASE STUDIES

Elin Berglöf

Actuary, Swedish Pensions Agency (Sweden).

Arnaud Breuil

Director, Institut de Coopération Sociale Internationale (ICOSI), (France).

Hans van Meerten

Barrister and expert on pension law, Clifford Chance (The Netherlands).

Stephen Soper

Interim Chief Executive, The Pensions Regulator (United Kingdom).

José Antonio Iglesias

Deputy Managing Director of Clients and Bids VIDACAIXA (Spain).

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Moderator: **Dr. Andrej Stuchlik**

Project Manager, Brussels Office, Bertelsmann Stiftung.

11:00
11:30

Coffee break (Atrium, 5th Floor)

SESSION 4. PENSIONS. PART II: EXPERT PANEL

'What is the state of pensions reform in Europe?'

11:30
12:30

Yves Stevens

Professor KU Leuven. Europe Pension Commission.

Javier Díaz-Giménez

Professor Economics. IESE Business School.

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Moderator: **Prof. Stephen Hagen**

VP for Change and Management, ITMO University.

CLOSING SESSION

12:30
13:00

Jaume Duch

Spokesman and Director of Media, European Parliament.

Jacques di Costanzo

Director of Rotary International.

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