

Workshop 1

The future of democracy in Europe

Civic participation and co-responsibility in the regions are a motor for democracy in Europe. Main Subjects of the workshop are best practices, criteria for good participation and opportunities for digitization. How can digitization help to support such efforts on a trans local level?

We will take a closer look at some practical examples and discuss the development of criteria for good participation at the municipal level. Furthermore, we will discuss opportunities and risks of digitization for democratic processes and will take a closer look at the development of content and structures for a common digital democracy.

Moderation: **Dr. Volker Hassemer**

Input: **Emil Boc** (mayor of Cluj-Napoca), **Jörg Sommer** (Coordinator of the Allianz Vielfältige Demokratie / Alliance Diverse Democracy in Germany), **Anett Szabo** (Stiftung Zukunft Berlin), **Felice v. Maltzahn** (Stiftung Zukunft Berlin)

10am – 12am	Welcome and introduction by Volker Hassemer Presentation of citizens engagement in the city of Cluj, by Emil Boc , Mayor of Cluj Presentation of the "Berlin Forum", by Anett Szabo , Stiftung Zukunft Berlin Keynote: Opportunities and risks of digital cooperation between politics and society, by Jörg Sommer , Coordinator of the Alliance Diverse Democracy in Germany Presentation of the project "European Capital of democracy" with a focus on the criteria of a European Capital of democracy, by Ulrich Fuchs , Member of the European Capital of Democracy Initiative Discussion
12am – 12.30am	Break
12.30am - 2pm	European Mayor's Meeting – Plenary Discussion
2.30pm – 3.30pm	A "Cities for Europe" platform: Presentation of the concept of a digital cooperation platform for local initiatives and cities in Europe, by Felice von Maltzahn , Stiftung Zukunft Berlin Question & Answers, Discussion, Agreements
4pm	Online-Meet-Up with all Workshop Groups – Plenary Discussion

Cooperating Partner:

Workshop 2 Performing Europe

We invite creatives and youth theatre groups across Europe to join us in founding an alliance of youth theater groups for Europe. Under the title "Performing Europe" we want to publicly stand up for the European values and stage various artistic actions and performances. Everyone is invited to join us! On Sunday we would like to start by formulating theses on which the alliance can build. To spread their spirit, we want to use the second part of the Workshop to develop ways to perform across borders in times where physical meetings are limited. To create an impact for the success of Europe.

Moderation: **Georg Blokus** (Director Schule der politischen Hoffnung),

Input: **Georg Kentrup** (Director at Consol Theater Gelsenkirchen), **Manuel Moser** (Director at Comedia Theater Köln)

10am – 12am	Welcome by Felice von Maltzahn, Georg Kentrup., Manuel Moser & Georg Blokus Round of introductions Manifest workshop based on the theses from "We are European Theatres" developed and proposed by Georg Blokus Which Europe, which theatre, which participation? World-Café on 5-7 theses
12am – 12.30am	Break
12.30am - 2pm	European Mayor's Meeting – Plenary Discussion
2.30pm – 4.00pm	Performance Action Day 9 May - Conference of Theatre and Youth Action Day (Manuel Moser/Georg Kentrup) Presentation and discussion of further ideas Conclusion and agreement on a "Manifest"?
4pm	Online-Meet-Up with all Workshop Groups – Plenary Discussion

Cooperating Partner:

Workshop 3

We are Europe – Wir sind Europa

The European Citizens' Initiative *We are Europe* discuss the question how young citizens and local youth organizations in Europe have experienced the past months. After an exchange of experiences, they want to develop concrete starting points to promote cooperation, especially in times of crisis.

In the end they aim to develop concrete action guidelines for local initiatives and cities to strengthen Europe bottom-up.

Moderation: **Anke Plättner** (Chairperson International Journalists' Programmes / Project lead We are Europe)

10am – 12am	Internal strategy meeting Review which concrete projects that we had planned at the last strategy meeting can and will we continue? which small groups continue to exist? (communication, ambassadors, etc.) New formats digital formats (online discussion, etc.) decentralized time schedule – www When, Who, What
12am – 12.30am	Break
12.30am - 2pm	European Mayor's Meeting – Plenary Discussion
2.30pm – 4.00pm	Open workshop especially for partners of WSE 1. Discussion on Engagement for Europe in times of Corona, focus on young people and youth clubs - how are you? How do you feel about the situation? - Example Situation of young people (Stefan?) and youth clubs? - what role would you like the EU to play? - how can we network better as "committed Europeans"? What do you expect from WSE?
4pm	Online-Meet-Up with all Workshop Groups – Plenary Discussion

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Workshop 4

Local History – European Perspectives

Everyone who digs at his feet in Europe not only encounters local history, but inevitably European history too. Over the past centuries, there has been a distinctive mutual influence, be it in the darkest times of recent history, the Second World War, or in the striving of the countries for more freedom and independence in the Eastern Bloc. Nonetheless, these aspects are often not (yet) the focus of most long-standing history initiatives. If you want to develop Europe from below, you must link local initiatives and to discuss the European aspect of their work with them. Therefore, we would like to exchange viewpoints from various cities, understand them and develop European perspectives on local history.

The main objective of the workshop is to develop a long-term and sustainable network of European history initiatives that cooperate and learn from each other, and even submit joint project proposals.

Responsible: Hella Dunger-Löper (State Secretary ret.), Dr. Christian Johann (President of the European Academy)

Keynote speaker: **Hartmut Kaelble**, History Professor at Humboldt University Berlin, **Christian Johann**, Director European Academy Berlin

10am – 10.15am	Introduction Hella Dunger-Löper, Staatssekretärin a.D. Christian Johann , Direktor Europäische Akademie Berlin
10.15am – 10.45am	Key Note – Local History – European Perspectives Prof. Dr. Hartmut Kaelble , Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
10.45am – 12am	Exchange und Get-to-Know each other Short Presentation of initiatives (Pecha-Kucha)
12pm – 12.30pm	Lunchbreak
12.30am – 2pm	European Mayor’s Meeting – Plenary Discussion
2pm - 2.45pm	Input und Discussion 360° - History for all Dr. Christian Johann
2.45pm - 3pm	Break
3pm – 4pm	Target Agreements and next steps What’s coming next? protocol, cross-linking, joint funding applications
4pm Uhr	Online-Diskussion mit den Teilnehmenden aller Workshops

Cooperating Partner:

Workshops and online exchanges prepared prior to the Berlin Conference

Results will be discussed in the plenary discussion in the afternoon.

Workshop 5

Cultural Capitals and Arts Festivals for Europe

Arts and the artists are the matrix of each cultural program.

As is the city and its community.

There is no community without the arts.

A group of festivals and cities in the Festival Cities Initiatives, former, current, and future European capitals of culture and members of the Strategy Group of "A Soul for Europe" invite for a discussion. We are convinced about the importance of the relation and collaboration between a city and its cultural partners and civil society actors. We also assume that a city together with its cultural actors has a task to fulfill for Europe.

We will present proposals, demands, strategies and concrete formats and ideas how to use the creative power of art and culture to strengthen the possibilities and willingness of citizens to become active in the future development of Europe.

Responsible: **Kathrin Deventer** (Secretary General European Festivals Association EFA), **Nele Hertling** (Vice President Akademie der Künste / Spokesperson "A Soul for Europe"), both strategy group members of "A Soul for Europe"

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