



STRASBOURG SUMMIT

TIME TO CHANGE EUROPE

5-8 MAY 2022



Following
the Conference on
the future of Europe,

let's move
from words
to action!



Since 9 May 2021, all European citizens have been called upon to take part in the Conference on the Future of Europe to discuss priorities for the European Union and imagine the future they wish to give it.

This unprecedented debate is a unique opportunity to reform Europe. Yet, there are a number of worrying signs as to what will actually happen. To date, the timing and the ways in which citizens' submissions will be taken into account remain uncertain.

Besides, the unsuccessful follow-up to previous citizens' consultations on Europe gives little hope that the proposals made within the Conference on the Future of Europe will be actually considered. Indeed, although European citizens have been given the floor many times to express their expectations, they have often remained listed in reports.

Let's not let our voices go unheard once again!

Far from giving up, European civil society wishes to gather and put pressure so that this momentum of European democracy does not remain a dead letter. The conclusions of the Conference on the Future of Europe in May 2022 are **a unique opportunity for civil society to say out loud the Europe we long for and for European leaders to move from words to action.**

Expectations are high.

The Conference on the Future of Europe can lead to a serious and deep reform carried out by the European institutions and involving European citizens, in particular the youngest. It can also bring about the changes that will enable Europe to meet the challenges of our century, which concern us all, climate change being one of these.



A unique opportunity to change Europe.

Before the Conference on the Future of Europe comes to an end, we invite the whole European civil society to take part in the Strasbourg Summit from 5 to 8 May 2022.

For four days, debates, seminars, workshops, round tables, hackathons, conferences, meetings, training sessions, festive and fun events will make up the Strasbourg Summit programme. Each participating organisation will be able to contribute to the programme by organising events throughout the summit.

A call for contributions addressed to French and European civil society organisations is available to submit **meetings and events open to a specific audience or to the general public in various places in Strasbourg.** By sharing viewpoints and



Sir Winston Churchill addresses the crowd on Place Kléber from «l'Aubette» in Strasbourg, August 12, 1949.

experiences, It will highlight citizen involvement in Europe and around the works of the Conference on the Future of Europe.

The **highlights of the Strasbourg Summit** will take place on Saturday 7 May. It will bring together all the driving forces of European civil society (associations, trade unions, NGOs, foundations, etc.) within an **Assembly to determine the course of action to be taken following the Conference on the Future of Europe.** Representatives of civil society, European and national MPs, citizens and witnesses of the Conference will take the floor. The Assembly will take place in several places in the city thanks to the live broadcasting of the discussions.



Inspired by the milestones in the history of European integration, the Strasbourg Summit will reach a peak with the **March for Europe**.

This intends to be the largest citizens' mobilisation ever organised for the European project, the march should embody the mobilisation of European civil society in favour of the continuation of the European project. Its route will end at the foot of the European Parliament, the place of European democracy.



The Strasbourg Summit aims at:

- **Supporting the proposals** drawn up by citizens within the Conference.
- **Coordinating European civil society** in its actions to push European leaders to commit to the implementation of the proposals made during the Conference on the Future of Europe.
- **Following up the Conference** by convening a Constituent Convention and calling for an ambitious reform of the Union.

**A
shared
ambition :**

**bringing together
the European civil society
in Strasbourg.**



Launched in 2021, the Strasbourg Summit relies on the involvement of a steering committee made up of dozens of volunteers from a wide range of European civil society organisations across the continent.

These include organisations from over 30 countries in Europe, such as the European Association for Local Democracy (ALDA), the Union of European Federalists (UEF) and the Young European Federalists (JEF). Local sections in Alsace of these associations ensure the smooth and successful organisation of the Summit in Strasbourg.

The Strasbourg Summit can already count on many volunteers and partner organisations at local, national and European levels. Besides their involvement in the logistics and promotion of the event, associations representatives wish to mobilise their networks, their delegations and their activists to give this event its full scope.

Among the networks involved in the mobilisation: the European Civic Forum, Civil Society Europe, ALDA, the European Youth Forum and



1,000+
expected participants

NGOs
coming from over
30+
countries in Europe

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March for Europe

the French Youth Forum (FFJ), the European Movement - International, the political groups of the European Parliament, the European Trade Union Confederation, the Spinelli Group in the European Parliament, etc.

Discover the organisations that take part to the Summit on www.strasbourgsummit.eu



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**TO WRITE A NEW CHAPTER
OF EUROPEAN HISTORY!**