

Report of Conference on the Future of Europe Talk
organised by CoR Member **Michael Murphy** (Ireland, EPP)

Local dialogue on Youth and Democracy



Organised by:	European Movement Ireland
Partners:	Irish Regions European Office European Committee of the Regions
Date and time of the event:	Thursday 16 th June 2022 - 10h30 – 12h30
Event type:	Onsite
Location(s) of event	Dublin, Ireland
Total number of participants:	45
Type of participants:	Young people, CoR Members, local government officials
Name of CoR Members participating:	Cllr Michael Murphy Cllr Declan McDonnell Cllr Kate Feeney Cllr Jimmy McClearn Cllr Deirdre Forde Cllr Caroline Dwane Stanley Cllr Eamon Dooley President Tzitzikostas
Name(s) of representatives from other EU institutions	Timothy Hayes, EC office, Dublin 2 Representatives from European Parliament Office Dublin
Name(s) of national ministers participating:	Minister Thomas Byrne, Minister for European Affairs
Conference on the Future of Europe theme(s) covered during the event:	Climate change and the environment European democracy

Recommendations/conclusions from the debate:	1) Lower the voting age across Europe to 16 years old
	2) Encouraging young people to join political life
	3) Seek to engage with more marginalised groups of young people
	4) Young people must have their say in policy development – promotion of the idea of a youth test.
Hyperlinks to web / press / social media coverage:	https://twitter.com/CoR_President/status/1537421511874621440 https://twitter.com/emireland/status/1537401959589851137 https://twitter.com/IrishRegions_EU/status/1537389943319842817

