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# Dialogue on youth participation in democratic debate

Moderation by Annette Gerlach, journalist at ARTE  
Interpretation: FR/EN

Hybrid event  
9 May 2022

Headquarters of the Grand Est Regional Council | 17:30-19:30

## 15:00 Exclusive invitation to the European Parliament

The engagement of youth in politics through cinematic comedy – a contribution to the understanding of European democracy.

Roberta Metsola, President of the European Parliament, and the production team from the television series “Parlement”, in partnership with Régions de France, the Grand Est Region and the European Committee of the Regions invite all the participants from our event to an exchange at the European Parliament to discuss the series and life behind the scenes in the European Parliament.

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*On the occasion of the closing of the Conference on the Future of Europe in Strasbourg*  
**Local dialogue on youth participation in public life and democratic debate  
at local, regional, national and European level**

## 17:30 Arrival of participants in the Hemicycle of the Regional Council

## 17:45 After the Conference on the Future of Europe: how to strengthen young people's participation in decision-making and public life?

**Jean Rottner**, President of the Grand Est Region

**Apostolos Tzitzikostas**, President of the European Committee of the Regions

**Silja Markkula**, President of the [European Youth Forum](#)

**Anne Sander**, Questor at the European Parliament

## 18:00 Minute of silence for Ukraine, followed by the Ukrainian anthem



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**18:05** Towards greater youth engagement:  
what proposals for changing the rules of the game and which practices?

**Oleksandr Reshetkov**, Secretary General of the [European Democracy Youth Network / EDYN](#) (Ukraine)

**Zélie Vercollier**, Representative of the Grand Est Regional Youth Council (Verdun, France)

**Céline Geissmann**, Member of the Strasbourg City Council and member of [Young Elected Politicians](#) (Strasbourg, France)

**Antonia Kieper**, Representative of the Conference on the Future of Europe (Cologne, Germany)

**Daniel Dobr**, Student at Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republic)

**Debate with the audience**

**19:20** Summary of the work  
- what convergences between young people and European local and regional authorities in order to strengthen young people's participation in democratic life?  
- towards a European Charter for Youth and Democracy: next steps

**19:30** Reception in the hall of the Grand Est Regional Council

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