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Conference
on the **Future**
of Europe



Bringing Europe
closer to its people

Cities fostering democracy in the European Union

Urban perspectives for the Conference on the Future of Europe

14 October 2021 – 14:30 to 17:00

Hybrid format: De Gasperi Room, European Commission Charlemagne Building, Brussels
and online via Interactio (with translation) and YouTube (EN only)

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14:30 Official welcome & setting the scene

14:45 Panel debate I:

Innovative participative solutions to strengthen democracy at city level

Short inputs on the following topics, followed by a discussion and audience questions

- *Participatory methods for community consultation,*
- *Participative municipal budgeting*
- *Promoting a values-based democracy from the bottom-up*

15:45 Panel debate II:

Learning by doing: experiencing/living democracy at urban level

Short inputs on the following topics, followed by a discussion and audience questions

- *Solutions to climate change*
- *Boosting local economy and jobs*
- *Digital public services*
- *Integration and diversity*

16:45 Outlook – Conclusions