Cities fostering democracy in the European Union

Urban perspectives for the Conference on the Future of Europe

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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