

Citizen Participation through HomeParliaments

A dynamic Europe needs citizen participation. This requires innovative, widely accessible and fun methods - such as the **Pulse of Europe HomeParliaments**.

We invite interested citizens to meet privately and to host political discussions. We then link the discussions to political decision-makers in Brussels. **Partners in previous rounds were Michael Roth (Minister of State for Europe at the German Foreign Office), Katarina Barley (S&D), Sven Giegold (Greens/EFA) Nicola Beer (Renew Europe), and Manfred Weber (EPP)**. Thus, we give several thousand citizens from all over Europe the opportunity to participate in forming opinions in political parliaments in especially important issues - supported by Pulse of Europe. The video explaining the HomeParliaments can be found [here](#).

Convening your European #HomeParliament

With the HomeParliaments we offer a platform for differentiated and constructive discussions among the population on current political issues. In the process, prejudices between groups and against politics are reduced through lively, fact-based discussions. This way people get the feeling to make a difference and to contribute to the broader picture. This will help to regain confidence in the EU. At the same time, a link is being established throughout Europe between citizens and politics in Brussels, increasing the influence of civil society in politics.



Cooperate with Pulse of Europe and Democracy International for Europeanized #HomeParliaments

- Support the project with communication on social media or mailings.
- Become representative of the European HomeParliaments in your country.
Take ownership for spreading it in your region and support the team, if wanted

Project partners and scope

The Pulse of Europe #HomeParliaments take place in close cooperation between [Pulse of Europe](#), [Democracy International](#) and [openPetition](#). In this way, we will involve

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several thousand citizens throughout Europe in #HomeParliaments. A constructive political discussion on this scale positively impacts public opinion about the EU. In addition, opinions from different countries and social groups are represented to political stakeholders. The project is funded by the German federal public authority [Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung](#).

A HomeParliaments is a deliberate discussion about politics

1. Watch our video [here](#)
2. A HomeParliament is a private get-together of 5-8 people, who debate and then vote a European topic. Everybody is welcome to register as host and then invite friends, family, colleagues, neighbours, ...
3. Pulse of Europe will provide all the material required as well as pros and cons for each perspective on the questions to the topic.
4. The results of the discussions are then presented to politicians who have committed themselves to the process and to respond to the opinions of the people
5. #HomeParliaments will take place both analogue and via video-conference

This fall, citizens will be discussing the future of European solidarity.

- The third round will take place from 19 September until 1 November 2020.
- The following questions will be discussed:
 1. **Economic solidarity:** Should more affluent EU states provide more financial support to less affluent Member states in times of crisis?
 2. **Social inequality:** Should the EU use the opportunity of economic reconstruction to counteract social inequality between the Member States?
 3. **Intergenerational equity:** Should only green innovation and green jobs be promoted through EU financial assistance to support future generations?

About Pulse of Europe: Pulse of Europe is a grassroots citizens' movement that pursues no partisan aims, is not linked to any interest group. We are independent and financed exclusively through donations. We want to contribute to ensure that Europe, now and in the future, remains united and democratic and continues to be a community in which regard for human rights, the rule of law, freedom of speech as well as tolerance and respect remain integral parts of its essence.

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