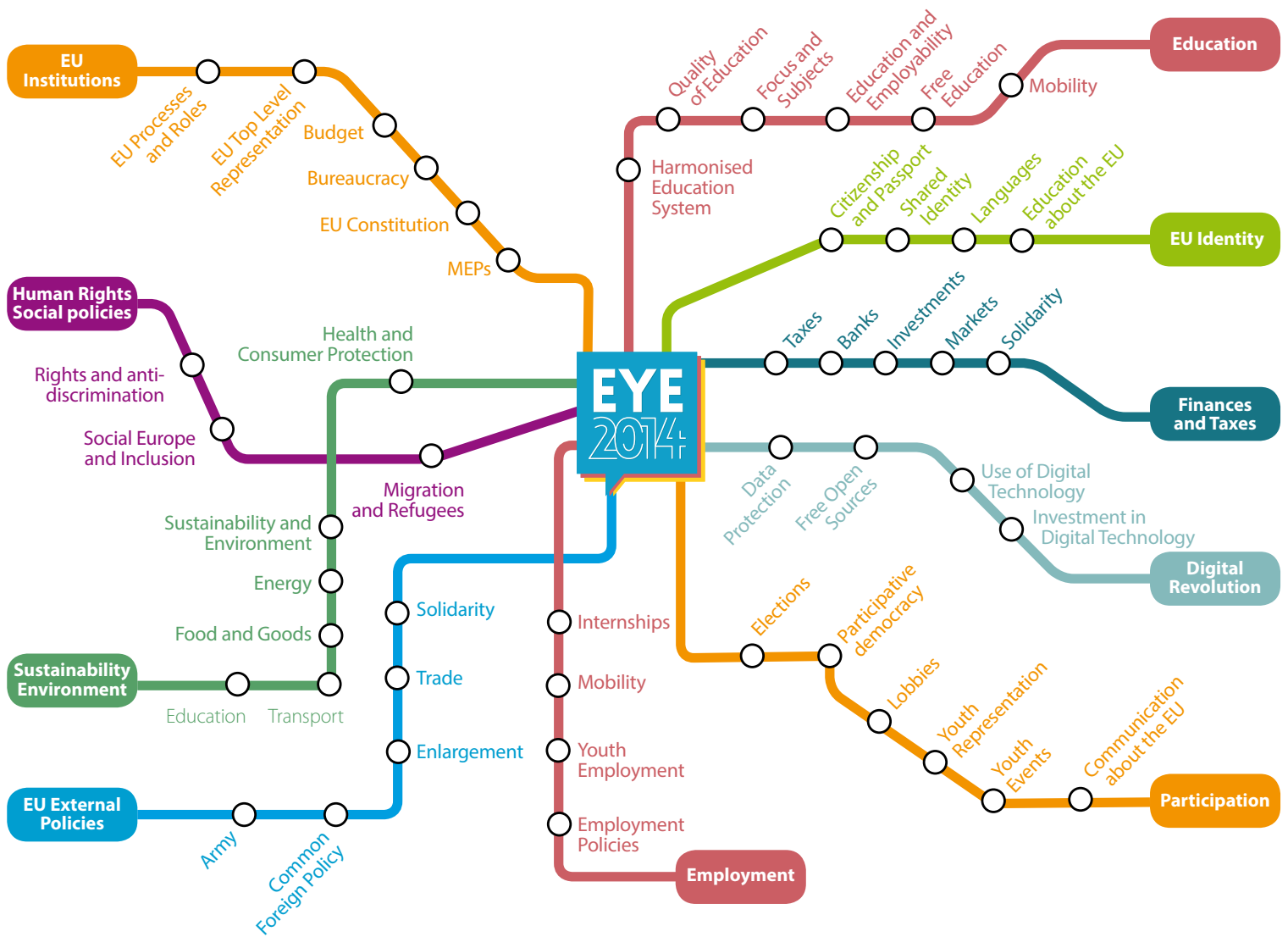


# IDEAS FOR A BETTER EUROPE

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# Digital Revolution

## Investment in Digital Technology

- More money to new European technologies.
- Encourager l'investissement dans les nouvelles technologies.
- More investments in new European digital technologies.
- Invest in European Servers to gain control of our debt and to make the necessary bridge to the United States and Asia unnecessary.
- Give more money into education and give some really useful tools to keep people awake and aware of «great digital time».
- Why do we talk about the digital revolution when so many people in Europe still live in poverty or drop out of education? It is fundamentally wrong.

## Use of Digital Technology

- Teach digital skills in school to rise generation of holistic digital experts.
- Organise more online consultation.
- We need a European convention for the digital future, consisting of citizens and representatives of all spheres of society from all EU countries in order to create a digital constitution. This constitution should set out the enforceable rights individuals should have regarding digital communication, i.e. the right of access, the right to business but also the right to privacy and data protection. Furthermore, it must set out the maxims for a genuinely European IT infrastructure.
- Better promotion and enhancement of simplicity regarding ECLs.
- Media free zones: Create Media Free Zones to be able to have a break from IT technology.

## Free Open Sources

- Encourage open source software and free culture.
- Netzneutralität bewahren.
- Open access to knowledge and research publications, encourage open source software and free culture (film, music, games).
- Wi-Fi for everyone: Free and open Wi-Fi and Internet everywhere and for everyone.
- Reform copyright to allow more sharing between individual and decrease the power of publishes and allow new innovation distribution.

## Data Protection

- Europe should be a digital leader but should also be leader in protecting our Privacy.
- Data Protection.
- Protect online privacy.
- More privacy from the United States.
- Data protection should be key in the next decades.
- Implement a Europe wide right to secret communication online and offline.
- Demands higher security standards from software and hardware producers.
- Ensure the neutrality of the net and prevent large web services from abusing their power against free speech.
- Funds for NGOs working on data protection.
- EU funding of NGOs working on the improvement of data protection.
- Create a European Citizens Protection Agency (ECPA) that is responsible to secure the EU citizens' rights for online safety and privacy! Europe should be the digital leader with an expertise and focus in privacy protection and security, defining higher security standards for software and hardware producers.
- More EU innovation & cooperation in the field of internet security and cloud; Support to create a piracy risk indicator as well as a European antivirus programme that should be affordable if not for free.
- Teach digital skills as well as awareness about digital rights and data privacy in schools.
- The rights of internet users should be global and equal, and the equality of information as well as the right to privacy and data protection should be a human right.

## Harmonised Education System

- A European educational system.
- Unification of the education system.
- A common education policy for Europe.
- A common system of education in Europe.
- Unified education programs for the entire EU.
- Man sollte das Ausbildungssystem in allen EU-Ländern ähnlicher machen.
- Harmonise education curricula across Europe and develop shared educational objectives across the EU.
- A European curriculum should be launched in European schools so that more young people will be able to realize our common European identity.
- We need standard exams for a standard labour market.
- No EU values, identity, friendship without EU uniform EDUCATION.
- New Bologna process to be launched and ACTIVATED.
- More equal school and education systems to avoid problems with acceptance in different countries.
- On the education plan we need to find a common way to teach and to have scholarships in Europe so that the recognition of diplomas is going to be easier.
- Facilitate mobility of the youth by a better recognition of diplomas and certificates.

## Quality of Education

- It's necessary to change the education system.
- We need good education in Europe if we want to have good democracy.
- Without education people won't be able to think critically.
- Better Europe that has better education.
- More education for everybody.
- Mehr Investitionen in Bildung.
- Improve the education and do it after the Finnish model.
- For a better Europe I want more aware citizens and in order to do that we need to invest in education and the EU should control and direct this path.
- The graduation system on the university level should be thought about and assimilated again.
- More programs for students.
- Education is the key to real results.
- To establish that a certain English language level has to be raised at the end of high school to allow all European citizens to communicate properly.
- To develop that social sciences and professions are as important as «strong» as natural sciences because social problems are very often behind medical and psychological diseases.
- Include different educational methods in formal settings.
- Increase non-formal Education in Europe.
- More recognition of the non-formal education.

## Focus and Subjects

- Better understanding and education regarding the environment and sustainability. Sustainability will be an elementary school subject. In public media there is more information about sustainability and ecological transition in EU.
- Maths and sustainability should be taught in school in a more fun and engaging way.
- Besseres Verständnis für Umwelt und Ressourcen, auch bei Jugendlichen: Schulfach «Umwelt» einführen, um schon Kindern die Wichtigkeit zu vermitteln.
- Learning more about other cultures.
- Introduce a new modern system of educating the youth about voting so the vote @ 16 could be effective.
- Teach digital skills as well as awareness about digital rights and data privacy in school to rise generation of holistic digital experts.
- Développement des écoles bilingues accessibles à tous pour développer un sentiment de communauté et de respect plus soudé !
- Promouvoir et introduire des cours (interactions) au lycée/ collège/ université à propos du coopérativisme pour sortir du modèle capitalisme à outrance.
- Have an easier access to information, common education for students who don't study political sciences.

## Education and Employability

- Install dual education systems all over Europe that create more effective links between education and job markets.
- Make a pre-scholar plan of different jobs which could be available for the future. It is easier that way for students to decide what they want to study.
- Support the empowerment of young men and women across Europe. By booking collaboration and gender free involvement in training experience, we can develop new skills and bring innovation and solutions to the table.
- More space for exchange between university students and companies.
- Better qualifications.
- A theoretical study course, such as the Italian one, does not allow young people to develop those experience needed for a fast access to the world of work. You should foresee from the 4th year of secondary school alternation between school and paid work, which would continue throughout University an up to the Youth guarantee subsidies. The private sector could have strong incentives if they hire (and remunerate) young workers. 16-25 years olds could earn some income with important consequences to the national economic level, since they are more inclined to spend, and their families could build some savings.

## «Free Education»

- Access to free and quality formal and non-formal education for all; comprehensive education grants, especially for children from low-income families.
- Lower fees at universities to make it easier for students to study abroad.
- Lower education fees, especially for studying abroad.
- Make education cheaper for students and help them to find partial jobs.
- The EU should help students not only financially in these countries where secondary education is expensive.
- Accessible loans for studies for low-income families.
- Give more money into education and give some really useful tools to keep people awake and aware of «great digital time»
- Free education for all, including universities.
- Maximum bill for education costs.
- Créer des écoles d'été pour les enfants roms et les autres pour apprendre à vivre ensemble, pour les intégrer en agissant par des actes concrets et pas seulement par des idées. Des volontaires peuvent participer, et cela peut même créer des postes de travail, des stages, faire bouger les choses !
- (Schul-)Bildung als Grundrecht, Bildung für jeden, kostenlos!
- Mehr Geld ins Ausbildungssystem investieren.
- Mehr Stipendien für Abiturienten, nicht für Magistratur.

## Mobility

- Increase mobility of young generation by more and better language education, mandatory exchange year for every European in high school, extensive funding of student exchanges, better recognition of diplomas and certificates and the encouragement of inter-company exchanges across the European Union to provide young Europeans with intercultural and language skills that they need to compete in a globalised economy.
- More opportunities of exchange projects during university and after university.
- Keep promoting Erasmus+ as a major opportunity for youth to gain experience.
- Continue promoting "Erasmus Plus" so as to better inform the youth of today about the available opportunities to learn and develop on individuals.
- Erasmus-Auslandserfahrung auch Lehrlingen ermöglichen!
- Austauschprogramme für Lehrlinge.
- Try to have a better understanding and way to be selected to study in other continents.
- The EU should support more international work experiences.
- Create some European University curricular and so allow to workers to travel and work abroad.
- Enhance exchange programmes between European youth in order to enhance mutual understanding and foster a common European identity, or introduce one year of European travel, in which everyone who has completed a qualified education (vocational training, degree) gets a grant to travel Europe for 12 months as long as s/he is willing to participate in voluntary work for at least 7 months of that trip. There will be a database of volunteering opportunities.
- Possibility for every single European to participate in a school exchange for free.
- Mettre en place un programme d'échange obligatoire dans la scolarité de tous les étudiants européens depuis les 10 ans jusqu'à leur 20 ans afin que tous maîtrisent plusieurs langues.
- Recognition of the skills and benefits of youth volunteering across member states.
- Create a universal pass to use trains and public transport only for students with a unique cost.
- Facilitate mobility of the youth by a better recognition of diplomas and certificates.

## Internships

- EU guidelines and/or convention on traineeships. Minimum compensation for travel and living costs so that traineeships are not only for those that can afford it financially.
- Securing compulsory internships in schools, so that young people can easily find jobs.
- Give students the opportunity to make one year paid internships to gain experience in their field of study.
- Ban unpaid internships. Every intern should get a payment for the work that they deliver.
- Not more than 1 unpaid internship!
- No unpaid internships!
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- Central European database for internships (with feedback and grading function to communicate and compare quality of internship opportunities).
- Banque de données européenne pour trouver des stages en Europe.
- The creation of more internships and work possibilities for young people!

## Employment Policies

- More jobs.
- We should focus on creating jobs for the whole of Europe.
- Less unemployment.
- Receive an unconditional basic income from birth to death. Introduction of the comparable minimum wages in all EU countries.
- Implement a European minimum wage.
- Create better WORK CONDITIONS! Good jobs is not just about mobility and needs to invest.
- EU support for research and job creation in the field of green economy.
- Penalize all forms of discrimination (race, gender, age, etc.) through employers.
- Promote gender equality at all levels of society, equal access to education and jobs, irrespective of sex, gender, religious or ethnic background.
- Men and women should have same salaries, gender shouldn't be a differentiating factor.
- Facilitate access to jobs at the EU institutions (not such a complicated bureaucratic process).
- Develop no-tax areas and free trade zones (such as those already existing in Europe) in areas with high unemployment rates to attract investments and businesses. Tax incentives should especially go for enterprises which hire 16-30 years old and which are environmentally sustainable. An example of key area would be in Brindisi and Taranto, in Apulia (Italy).
- We need a transparent system for companies engaged with sustainability and human rights. This system measures the companies' ecological and social footprint.
- Creating a sustainable environment with eye for job creation
- Facilitate the work of associations operating on European level - statutes for an European association law.
- Europa sollte «eins» sein, sollte auch darauf gebaut werden, dass schwächere Länder in Europa unterstützt werden und mehr Arbeitsplätze geschaffen werden (z.B. Italien, Spanien, Griechenland).
- The EU should help more of its eastern European workers integrate. Integration should be a process for both the eastern and western members. The EU should adopt a more balanced approach and should consider which the main issues that it needs to tackle are.

- Promote the inclusion of a labour market across Europe.
- Laws should be made for companies at the European level.

## Youth Employment

- New Marshall Plan for Europe: Recovery plan of up to 2% of the EU's GDP directed towards support for young people and the creation of new jobs.
- A better tackling of youth unemployment by investing in more European jobs.
- Promouvoir l'emploi des jeunes.
- More schemes to employers to employ more youths for meaningful jobs.
- Support young entrepreneurs.
- Better support for young entrepreneurs and new co-operatives, e.g. tax reductions or strategic consulting.
- More funds from negotiations to support businesses set up by young people.
- Die Zukunft (junger Menschen) fördern.
- It should be possible for the youth to find jobs corresponding with their education or any jobs at all.
- Facilitate mobility of the youth by a better recognition of diplomas and certificates.
- Sécuriser le parcours des jeunes face à la multiplication des contrats courts et souvent sous payés.
- Increase mobility of young generation by more and better language education, mandatory exchange year for every European in high school, extensive funding of student exchanges, better recognition of diplomas and certificates and the encouragement of inter-company exchanges across the European Union to provide young Europeans with intercultural and language skills that they need to compete in a globalised economy.
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## Mobility

- Mobility of people due to unemployment is not strictly imposed.
- Mobility should not be forced.
- More possibilities for an easy mobility.
- Invest in mobility.
- More and better language education within the member states, that would truly open up for a mobile working market and ease the unemployment situation in EU countries.
- The EU should support more international work experiences.
- Create some European University curricular and so allow to workers to travel and work abroad.
- Jobrotation in Partnerunternehmen.
- Erasmus+ application is a nightmare, make it easier to apply!
- If the European Voluntary service is so important, then do not cut the money but empower NGOs to create good protests and more opportunities.
- More mobility opportunities for youths who come from Malta were the only way we can travel is by plane.



### Sustainability and Environment

- Europe should invest in a sustainable development by binding plans: it should be an encourage and strive for this in an international context.
- Create smart cities.
- Take climate change and sustainability problems serious and implement helpful measures. it's more than time to do that.
- Creating a sustainable environment with eye for job creation.
- Protection of environment and sustainability should be more important to the EU.
- Stronger focus on sustainable development, we are not doing enough.
- L'avenir est dans la gestion commune, le partage, l'optimisation des ressources et le développement durable.
- The governments should adopt measures about making Europe more green and ecologic. We need more green in the Mediterranean countries.
- More trees, more green ideas, more sustainability.
- Reach and realize an ambitious climate agreement next year.
- Act correctly in the sustainable development: transport area, energy area.
- Ecologic sustainability! Find a solution for plastic pollution. Sustainable fishing.
- The city of Strasbourg being ecologically friendly... and the EYE2014 not recycling?
- Please take care of the Earth and the climate and be courageous at the climate summit in Paris in 2015!
- A law for using fewer resources.
- Not so much stupid and unnecessary regulations. It doesn't matter if a hairdresser has highlights with 5 or 10 cm. It doesn't matter if a Cucumber is as long as there are no poisons and stuff like this in our vegetables.
- We only have one planet to live on, why are we destroying it? Investing in renewable energy technology will invest in the future. New jobs, cleaner environment and a better future. Good things for all the young.
- More respect for the environment, there is too much pollution.
- Policies need to be prepared in cooperation with technicians and not just politicians regarding sustainability.
- Create sustainability laws and regulation.
- Greener cities.
- EU capitals should be greener and a symbol of the EU.
- Europe must go forward as one continent and show the path for the rest of the world in human rights, democracy, welfare, solidarity and environment.
- Europe has to effectively help those states affected the most by the rising sea levels as it has a historical responsibility in the process of global warming.
- We need a transparent system for companies engaged with sustainability and human rights. This system measures the companies' ecological and social footprint.
- Give benefits to initiatives that support and focus on green solutions, rather than penalise those working against

- sustainability. Give, for example financial incentives for sustainable consumption, e.g. by allowing tax reduction when someone lives on an organic diet.
- En matière de développement durable, il ne faut pas privilégier que le pilier environnement soit aussi le pilier social.
- Remettre en question nos modes de production et de consommation. Travailler moins pour permettre à tous de travailler, produire moins mais mieux, consommer moins mais mieux pour permettre à chacun d'avoir accès aux besoins essentiels. L'UE prône la solidarité.... mettons-la en acte plutôt qu'en discours.
- Wir haben angefangen, unsere Umwelt einen wirtschaftlichen Wert zu geben. Ich habe die Befürchtung, dass auch die EU ein höheres Interesse in die Wirtschaft zeigt, als sie es in der Nachhaltigkeit zeigt, Das ist kein guter Weg.
- Meiner Meinung nach wird die EU-Politik zu stark von Lobbyisten beeinflusst besonders aus dem Bereich der Wirtschaft, oberstes Ziel sollte jedoch die Nachhaltigkeit sein.
- Remettre en question le système actuel.
- Remettre l'être humain au cœur des actions et des politiques.
- Ecology, Solidarity, True difference.
- We have to change our attitudes.

### Energy

- Promote the sustainability and renewable sources of energy by advertising with the media and the governments.
- Set the bar for green energy and sustainability. Make the EU2020 goals stronger!
- Renewable energy should be supported and no longer be nuclear power. We should follow the German ideas on this topic and improve them.
- A common European energy policy towards renewable energies like Germany alone for example.
- European Energy Union Now!
- Common European energy policy.
- Renewable energy: Support affordable, renewable energy and complete ban of nuclear power. Make a plan to have coal-free, green energy supply by 2040 if it is to remain a trustworthy advocate of CO2 reduction. Invest in sustainable development, e.g. research focused on new ways to produce green energy, by binding plans in an international context.
- Abolish all exemptions for energy intensive industries – let those pay which are most responsible for climate change.
- Mehr Investitionen in Nachhaltigkeit, grüne Energien.
- Réagir face à la Russie et donc se fournir d'une autre manière que par le biais de Gazprom.
- Common high goals for the percentage of green energy in the electricity mix until 2020 and 2030. Force countries to engage and have a sustainable economy.

## Food and Goods

- Promote local and organic farming.
- Extra funds for farmers to support bio-production.
- Include hidden costs in product's prices.
- Unified waste policy for the food industry.
- Kein Freihandelsabkommen mit Einschnitten in Grundrechte, Umweltschutz, Verbraucherschutz. Unternehmen sollten nie Staaten gleichgestellt werden.
- Protéger les agriculteurs face à la mondialisation.
- Unterstützung der biologischen Landwirtschaft, regionale Lebensmittel fördern.
- Mehr Nachhaltigkeit (keine Gen-Manipulation, europaweite gleiche Recycling-Regeln).
- Sustainable food: Emphasize the idea of regional, seasonal and organic food production (no GMOs), develop «Food Miles» system (= Costs of food include its hidden costs, e.g. welfare of animals), adopt a unified waste policy for food industry, educate people about food production and food waste and give incentives for a diversification of the European diet.
- Clean and free available water for all. As a natural resource and as a human right it shall not be left to the private market.
- Schutz der erworbenen Regelung im Lebensmittelbereich durch Ablehnung vom Freihandelsabkommen mit der USA.
- Clean clothes (stop slavery in textile industries).
- Abschaffung/ Streichung sämtlicher Fördermittel für nicht nachhaltige und biologische Landwirtschaft.
- For many things we pay less than the actual cost because of ecological and social expenses are paid for indirectly by subsidies or compensations. If we include these externalised costs more sustainable ways of farming, producing and living would get an upwind, with the overall costs being the same.
- Gesetzlich vorgeschriebener Prozentsatz zur Verwendung von Recyclingpapier in allen staatlichen Institutionen der europäischen Staaten.
- Reduce waste & emissions: Aim to achieve a 'zero waste' society by 2030, with standards of 100 % recyclable products, longer life cycles of products and the development of new recycling methods. Reduce emissions by reducing packaging and transport. Effectively combat redundant pollution, e.g. through education. Ban plastic bags in stores.
- Enforce high taxes for products that do not respect workers' rights or environmental rules.

## Transport

- Improve public transport and bicycle paths in ALL member states.
- A European public transport system that stimulates ecological alternatives and international mobility among all European citizens to create a stronger European identity.
- There should be a European high speed rail network that is subsidized in order to make it affordable and considerably cheaper than flights. This network may not only focus on the European center but must also reach the periphery in order to promote sustainable transportation everywhere.
- For the young generation there needs to be a European Student Transport Card (Interrail Card), which integrates national and international mobility programmes.

## Education

- Besseres Verständnis für Umwelt und Ressourcen, auch bei Jugendlichen: Schulfach «Umwelt» einführen, um schon Kindern die Wichtigkeit zu vermitteln.
- Better understanding and education regarding the environment and sustainability. Sustainability will be an elementary school subject. In public media there is more information about sustainability and ecological transition in EU.
- We really need to put more money on research, especially biomedical research from my point of view.
- Alles was mit der EU zu tun hat muss mehr, besser und nachhaltiger an die ganze Bevölkerung gebracht werden. Die Menschen müssen sich klar werden, was es bedeutet, Europa zu sein, was die EU gutes gebracht hat. Es müssen mehr Aktionen gestartet werden, die das aufzeigen. Das sollte schon in der Schule beginnen. Größerer Fokus auf Themen der EU in allen Fächern! Hebt das positiver hervor.

## Health and Consumer Protection

- A new alcohol strategy and that the EU is serious about protecting children, youth and unborn towards alcohol. E.g. don't cooperate or discuss with the alcohol industry and ban commercials.
- Do more to protect consumers.
- More intelligent rules.
- More standard laws on work such as gender issues, maternity leave and basic improvements on working conditions.
- Increased efforts in creating an alcohol-free Europe – introduce stricter regulation policies.
- Creativity, hope and possibilities to act together for common policies must be remained as advantages of the union.
- Legalize marihuana. It's not a demonic thing.
- Europe should focus on tackling health and social problems.
- Clean and free available water for all. As a natural resource and as a human right it shall not be left to the private market.
- Not so much stupid and unnecessary regulations. It doesn't matter if a hairdresser has highlights with 5 or 10 cm. It doesn't matter if a Cucumber is as long as there are no poisons and stuff like this in our vegetables.
- Integrating medical records database through Europe.
- EU-wide equal health care.
- We are speaking about youth unemployment, environmental problems and sustainability to make better Europe. European nationality is lowering and is close to 1 and we are going to be continent of really old people. So we will all have a job but we will almost last European generation because without children we haven't future. So why we are trying to make Europe to be better place if we haven't future?



## EU Processes and Roles

- More rights for the parliament like initiating debates about EU laws.
- That we get rid of the unanimous vote for the budget and on a change of the treaties.
- Create a legal mechanism that prevents the far right parties from spreading different forms of violence in the member states, since the member states are proving increasing incapability of tackling the issue.
- Unabhängige Kommission.
- Initiativrecht des EP im Gesetzgebungsverfahren.
- We need to centralise or simplify the policies of the member-states. If we make the European Parliament more powerful than today we can get close to solving European citizen's problems.
- More power to the European Parliament.
- All national government chiefs should have to speak with one voice after a council: not only about the best for their country.
- Combine the office of the President of the Commission and the Council, and then have direct elections.
- All laws should be passed by an elected body - the council should be either elected or should be left out of the legislative process and be replaced by another elected intergovernmental body.
- The idea of the EU is good because we can make new laws. The Power is in your hands.
- The commission should have less powers - more power to the European Court of Justice.
- Reform institutions in a democratic way.
- Mindestens 3%-Hürde europaweit, um Zersplitterung im EP zu vermeiden.
- The European Parliament should publish a yearly democracy ranking for European states, with those states that fall below a certain line having to defend their policies in front of the European Parliaments. If they fail to convince the Parliament, financial transfers should be blocked. The European Parliament should gain the right to suspend the membership in the EU if a country violates European core values.
- Pour une convention européenne.
- Europe should not try to change countries. Every country has its own way of working. Sometimes I think the EU is trying to destroy that.
- Further European integration only with the prerequisite of advancement and improved democracy as well as moving on together.
- A democratic federal Europe with proper living standards for everybody. That's why I campaign for a federal Europe and for the European citizens' initiative "new deal for Europe".
- A more socially and politically integrated Europe.
- Less nationalism – one Europe with more European values.
- Federalism.
- Fair and equal countries for a united Europe!
- Less centralised politics.
- Deepen the integration in the former eastern bloc countries.
- EU must remain its competitiveness on every field of society by taking all the perks of the integration.
- No more countries to the EU for the next few years! Become a united Europe!
- Encourage EU member states to go pro Europe and delegate powers to the EU.
- The EP should look on the national side. Every nation is different and needs to stay like that on some level. We are European only on some level. The EU should be here for exchanging ideas and skills, not to lead all the nations.
- Problems can only be solved through cooperation, not segregation.
- There should be more done for communication between the national governments of the member-states and at the EU level.
- Keep the diversity and differences in the different states. It's a wrong goal to try to solve every problem in all states in the same way.
- We need a more integrated Europe to face the current social, economic, ecological, democratic and political challenges.
- A federalised EU.
- Europe needs political integration so that it has the required power to act on the levels that are the most relevant. The principle of subsidiarity is the key to make the EU work a lot better, it won't be possible without a real federal system.
- A federal European state.
- More exchange, especially with new members like Bulgaria.
- The western states (Germany, France), have a too idealistic and unreal view of the future of the EU. In Western Europe many things have been done already but in the East we still need more time for them - Don't look that idealistically on the EU, Western states!
- More money for education, health, tourism for Romania. We must be like any other member state of the EU. Rumania is a beautiful country.
- Pour une Europe fédérale.
- Pour une Europe fédérale avec une commission élue par le peuple européen.
- Pour une convention européenne.
- Respekt vor nationalen Eigenheiten, aber Finden von gemeinsamen Lösungen.
- Die Gemeinschaft zwischen den europäischen Ländern noch mehr stärken.
- Miteinander darauf bauen, Europa zu stärken.
- Europa sollte «eins» sein, sollte auch darauf gebaut werden, dass schwächere Länder in Europa unterstützt werden und mehr Arbeitsplätze geschaffen werden (z.B. Italien, Spanien, Griechenland).
- The European commission should also be elected as it makes a lot of decisions for the member states but still is not fully elected.
- Europaeischer Bundesstaat.
- Listen to each other.
- Change the structure of the EU that it becomes more transparent and democratic. This would rise trust in the EU.
- Do not participate in any secret treaty negotiations.
- We need more Europe, not less, but the competences should be reconsidered.
- Keep calm and keep doing nothing :P
- Stop wishing and start doing!
- Do fewer things but also do those things better.
- Stop taking so many things for granted.
- Create an independent EU media channel for more transparency.
- More transparency.
- Transparenz über alle Inhalte, die Verhandelt werden!
- Mehr Transparenz.
- Plus de transparence.



## EU Top Level Representation

- We need a president in order to give the EU a face! Nobody knows who the EU really is...
- One president.
- One European prime minister.
- Persönlichkeit(en) die die EU repräsentiert, die auch von den Menschen ge- und erkannt wird.
- Ein europäisches Gesicht (Präsident) der alle Europäer vertritt und von allen gewählt wird.
- A one strong and unique voice for the EU.
- EU-Außenminister.
- Die EU sollte darauf achten, dass es eine stärkere Repräsentation einer gemeinsamen Außenpolitik gibt, also die Positionen von Frau Ashton gestärkt wird. Ich möchte jedoch keine vereinigten Staaten von Europa.
- Europe must finally overcome national boundaries and become a state in its own right. A central European Government and a European president shall be elected directly by the people.

## Budget

- Spend the 180 million used for moving the EP from BXL to Strasbourg on youth instead.
- Invest more money into communication of the achievement and objectives as well as responsibilities of the European Union.
- Augmenter le budget européen.
- More solidarity to weaker states of the EU.
- To build a new Europe we need to solve country's territorial problems, so people can be represented in the EU with their countries.

## Bureaucracy

- Less bureaucracy.
- NO RED TAPE.
- less diplomacy and more action.
- As little bureaucracy as possible.
- A more democratic and less bureaucratic EU.

## Lobbies

- Less lobby, more work.
- Adopt stronger regulations for lobbies to limit their influence and increase transparency of political decision making process.
- Meiner Meinung nach wird die EU-Politik zu stark von Lobbyisten beeinflusst besonders aus dem Bereich der Wirtschaft, oberstes Ziel sollte jedoch die Nachhaltigkeit sein.
- Europe should be more transparent and listen more to the voice of its people rather than the voice of businesses.
- Stop the lobbying it kills democracy.
- Please do not give in to the economic/ business lobbies.

## EU Constitution

- Understandable constitution for every citizen! Not too long.
- Simple, understandable constitution of the EU (format A4 maximum length).
- Human readable constitution.

## MEPs

- MEPs who want to solve problems not just discuss them.
- More honesty. If a politician gets accused of something they should stand up and admit what they have done.
- More action – not just more motivational speeches.
- Comment peut-on admettre certains politiciens au sein du parlement qui font le strict minimum, simplement pour empocher quelques € de plus, et les laisser tenir des propos eurosceptiques alors qu'ils viennent de France ?
- Pourquoi élire des députés ayant énormément d'avantages s'ils ne viennent que pointer pour toucher leur argent mais sans participer ?



# Participation

## Elections

- Equal voting system for Europeans.
- To face lack of youth participation, online voting should become reality.
- Having a homogeneous electoral system for the European Elections.
- A unified voting system.
- Mandatory voting.
- A European voting system or the elections.
- Transnational EU voting.
- Digital and direct democracy.
- The right to vote at 16.
- Lower the voting age to 16.
- Lower the voting age.
- Vote at 16.
- The EU needs to do more to encourage participation in the election and politics.
- Human rights apply to everyone, also to minors. We shouldn't vote at 18, nor 16 but when we physically can put a paper in a box. Women can vote, black people can vote, those who don't pay taxes can, gays can, Jews can... MINORS CAN'T.
- Uniform online voting.
- Unification of the voting system.
- Real democracy in Europe! We want to directly choose all public officers.
- A more transparent government and the possibility to vote for the members of the commission.
- Democracy means referendums and participation.
- More democratic representation for European citizens.
- Make voting more accessible/ uniform across European Parliament.
- Transnational European Parliament Electoral List.
- There should be a common European law and not different national laws for the European elections.
- The EU should work for a fast, homogenous way for elections
- Inspire Europe to go vote!
- Promote an European ideas Forum online.
- Provide a democratic EU that celebrates diversity and fights against current imperialistic tendencies in EU policy making.
- More seats in the Parliament for smaller states so that their voice can truly be heard in the Parliament.
- Une Europe de coopération d'égal à égal entre les pays MAIS AUSSI entre les citoyens et leurs représentants.
- Mehr direkte Demokratie.
- Einheitliches Wahlsystem in ganz Europa.
- Gemeinsames Wahlrecht zum Europaparlament.
- Gleiches Stimmgewicht in der ganzen EU: gleich große Wahlkreise.
- Grenzüberschreitende Wahlkreise.
- Europäische Listen bei EP Wahlen.
- Create a democratic Union by strengthening representative, participatory and direct democracy.
- More young people are needed in politics to express and address the young generation's interests and challenges. Increase youth representation in the European Parliament – introduce quotas for young people under 30. Have regular events like EYE 2014 to get young generation heard. Extension of the vote to all 16 and 17 year olds across Europe.

- Equal voting systems in all EU countries. Make online voting possible. Transnational lists for parliamentary elections (especially for leading candidates).
- Lancer une grande opération de communication sur / promotion des élections européennes dans les universités.
- Loi européenne de suppression du cumul des mandats transposée dans tous les pays membres au niveau national.
- Pour une Europe fédérale avec une commission élue par le peuple européen.

## Participative democracy

- Une Europe plus proche des citoyens afin d'être plus efficace.
- Une Europe plus proche des citoyens et plus visible afin de mieux comprendre son fonctionnement dans ce patchwork institutionnel.
- Stop talking about more democracy.
- More democracy!
- Take the ideas of the citizens into account and ask them for their ideas and opinions on the most important issues.
- Create a democratic Union by strengthening representative, participatory and direct democracy.
- Une Europe qui prône la démocratie directe et participative !

## Youth Representation

- Pour la création du Conseil Européen de la Jeunesse élu démocratiquement en tant que 3<sup>ème</sup> Chambre européenne.
- 25% des sièges réservés aux jeunes.
- Youth quota in the European Parliament.
- Es ist wichtig, junge Stimmen und die Anliegen der Jugendlichen anzuhören und darauf einzugehen, aber ich finde, es ist genauso wichtig, die Erfahrung älterer Generationen zu schätzen! Deswegen bin ich entschieden gegen eine erzwungene Jugendquote! Wiederholte Jugendevents wie dieses sind hierfür viel produktiver...
- Adding more quotas is the LEAST liberal thing the EP could do, we have to encourage young people to represent themselves, vote and thus the number of young EP members will raise.
- Invite into the conversation the people who are talked about: nothing about us without us!
- Real and permanent youth representatives, not just «being happy you could attend the EYE» (Doris Pack).
- Youth representation in the European parliament.
- More young people represented at the European parliament
- More involvement of young people.
- Give every European the possibility to give ideas to the Parliament because the people are the main voice.
- More pushing for young citizens in Europe.
- More trust in the youth. They can talk to their peers and they can take good decisions.
- More opportunities for young people to speak up.
- Better cooperation between the EP and the citizens, including the youth to give them guarantees concerning their future on every level.
- More opportunities for young people.
- There should be more investments in the youth.
- Give young people the life they really deserve.

- Promote and motivate young ideas.
- The main problem of politics: do what you say you are going to do. If you want to promote youth show up at EYE2014 candidates for the European Commission.
- Mehr Jugend im Parlament.
- Cooperation with student unions, NYL is crucial.
- European pupils and students should be given a platform to be represented in the EU.
- European wide student-Parliament to discuss educational politics.
- We are part of European Society. We should be heard because now we are not.
- Youth empowerment.
- Give young people more opportunities to make something with their lives, that's when Europe will become a better place.

## Youth Events

- Regular convents of European citizens and European Youth (all 2 years).
- Make more of such events to connect people!
- This sort of events are very important to improve the quality of European Democracy and therefore I think the basic that they can be hosted on a regular basis.
- Please organize an event like this again! It is an amazing tool for engaging young people and getting them closer to the EU institutions. Next time, let's try to not only involve the active youth, but try to reach the ones at the margin of Europe.
- DO IT AGAIN.
- More opportunities such as EYE were youths can discuss/ debate/ share their opinions with others listening to what they have to say!
- Brainstorming every year or 2 years between MEPs, Commissioners and young people.
- In any case more events like the EYE, where elections are made to really collect the opinions.
- More events such as the EYE should be organised with emphasise that all young people have equal access to these.
- More events like this with bigger participation of politicians themselves.
- More EYE events.
- More projects to integrate European citizens.
- Events like the EYE should be held every year in the presence of all MEPs.
- REPEAT THIS EVENT EVERY YEAR (and bring more MEPs here).
- Holding an EYE every 2-5 years.
- We should be promoting more events like the EYE.
- To hold more events like the EYE in the future.
- Without EU funding and sponsorship how many young would have been at the EYE.
- I would like more global topics for the next EYE, such as development policy.
- Promote more programmes such as the EYE.
- Let's make the EYE a regular thing.
- More young events.
- More such events please.
- EYE2014 every year.
- Kontaktmöglichkeiten zwischen Jugend und Politikern.
- Foster an inter-generational dialogue involving young people – particularly with regard to decision-makers, e.g. by having regular events like the EYE 2014, also on regional levels.
- Plus de dialogues et d'interactions directes entre les citoyens pour lutter contre les stéréotypes ; grâce à ce genre d'événements.
- EYE donne la parole aux jeunes de toute l'Europe : il faut renouveler cet événement régulièrement !
- Subventionierung derartiger Veranstaltungen für Schüler/ Jugendliche (Unterkunft).
- Es war sensationell!
- Weitere, regelmäßige Events wie diese Veranstaltung!!
- Ich hoffe, die Ideen dieses Wochenendes finden Anklang und werden umgesetzt. Ich hoffe auch, dass wir alle aus diesem Saal hinausgehen und uns als Europäer fühlen!
- EYE 2014: An event that brings together 5000 youths, young people that are working in their countries for EUROPE and EUROPE needs to keep them together. Union comes from Latin, is a derivative of «unus», one. We're more one big organism: we need food and to drink, to sleep and to get our own life as best as possible. We need to find solution to unemployment, youth or «older», to mobility problems and other issues. We need to play and to get fun. But together, no matters of our country, our language or traditions. We have the same needs, same goals. Same dreams. We can get them. Together. EU is a possibility. EU vote 2014 is a great chance.
- So, let's summarise. The EU selects 5 topics that they think are important for your people in Europe. Next we talk about it for 2 days, and this is summarised by the 5 rapporteurs who conclude that the topics are very important and young people should be involved. What's wrong here? My idea for a better Europe would be if the EU stops saying «no» to everything that is only the slightest deviant from how things have been approached in the recent past. It doesn't matter whether you are young or old, you must start thinking out of the box. For an event like this, how about delegating it, all of it, to an external something (like young people) from the scratch without your input, without your structure and background, and see what comes out? Because if you don't, what happens is what's written at the beginning of this paper...
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## Communication about the EU

- Spread the word, build up a channel on European level like BBC, France2, ARD at national level - European public broadcasting.
- Improve effectively EU's communication. Work on eurooptimistic media (at least not based as it is now).
- Inform about actions of the Parliament in national news.
- National politicians and national media need to broadcast more European Values, news and politics.
- Advertisement for the EU: posters, TV spots.
- Commercialisation/marketing de «l'identité européenne» (t-shirts...).
- The people in the national states need more information. The media never writes about EU unless it is about bananas. People don't know why the EU should be relevant to them because they never hear about what is going on in the Parliament. So: More Journalists in the EU.
- Interact with young people for transparent communication about European Politics.
- Support a Europe wide press to get to know the points of view of other countries and more about the EU.
- Promote transnational media.
- More advertising why the EU is great and easier information about what it is doing.
- In order to tackle certain common issues, the EU, as a body needs to go beyond laws and resolutions: Issues such as euroscepticism, gender equality, intolerance. The EU should embark a strong education campaign across all member-states on National TV channels, social media, news agencies and school programmes. Because aside from laws, who challenges and changes practices, it is through education that we can change mentalities.
- More clear information about institutions and programs in the EU.
- We have to improve European institutions communication to make European citizens feel more concerned.
- More European media.
- Raising awareness of a Europe that stands for peace and solidarity
- Make clear the things that are done in the EU.
- Try to reach those who do not come to events like this one --> Information about the EU and European politics, e.g. in school, universities and associations.
- Good ideas have to be sold and branded. People have to be aware of the EU's advantages so they do not fall in neglecting.
- Encourage young people, politicians and so on to promote the EU, mobility and importance of being actively interested in the EU's issues. It's really easy, go to schools, NGOs, contact pro-EU organisations.
- The EU needs to reach those countries that are not yet members as well as those that are reluctant members so the legitimacy of the EU can be bolstered. This would be more successful if the youth of each country could be engaged with to support the future of the EU and heighten its relevance.
- We should invest much more in culture and arts. Everything has to be on a higher advertised level including EYE2014.
- Communication of the chance to apply for grants, youth events... is rubbish! It is important to reach the people who are not yet in some European organisation. Only this way the European identity can grow. Informing those who attend events like this is useless because we are already inspired by common European values. The communication has to be promoted also by the local political parties.
- Plus de démocratie dans les journaux: élire les directions de journaux publiques et les journalistes, choisir les grilles de programme, plus de participation directe (journaux citoyens).
- Pour des médias européens et des journalistes européens.
- Développer les moyens de communication du PE : toucher directement les Européens, les rendre conscients de leurs intérêts et les mobiliser vis-à-vis de leurs gouvernements respectifs, qui pèsent au conseil européen.
- Une meilleure communication de l'Europe au sein des états-membres.
- Rendre l'Europe meilleure c'est aussi la rendre plus populaire afin de lutter contre l'euroscepticisme. Pour cela il faut que les citoyens sachent ce qui se passe à Bruxelles et à Strasbourg. Il faut mieux communiquer.
- Rapprocher l'Europe du quotidien de la population.
- Développer des campagnes de sensibilisation au niveau local sur les enjeux européens.
- Netzneutralität bewahren.
- Die EU muss sich besser verkaufen. Jedem einzelnen muss klar sein, warum die EU für jeden einzelnen alternativlos ist, warum sie gut ist und alle profitieren!
- Bessere Verbreitung der News: das EP muss näher zum Menschen.
- Gemeinsame Medien (mit gemeinsamen Nachrichten, Sendungen in verschiedenen Sprachen).
- Mehr Werbung für Europa durch breit angelegte Initiativen in Schulen und Hochschulen, organisiert durch ein EU-Organ.
- Mehr Werbung für EU-Politik im Internet, sodass alle Jugendlichen erreicht werden. Und nicht nur Jugendliche - Generation zwischen 30 und 50 muss unbedingt auch angesprochen werden!
- The line between EU citizens and Brussels has to be recreated.
- Make politics more attractive.
- Tackling the EU scepticism.
- We have to stand up against anti-EU parties.
- Empêcher le développement de mouvements populistes (surtout en France).
- Lancer une grande opération de communication sur / promotion des élections européennes dans les universités.
- Une Europe plus proche des citoyens et plus visible afin de mieux comprendre son fonctionnement dans ce patchwork institutionnel.
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### Army

- A common foreign policy.
- Europe should have a clear security and defence policy, it should set its goals more clearly.
- One EU army.
- One foreign policy, one army.
- A common army and foreign policy.
- A common foreign and energy policy.
- Common European army.
- A common EU army.
- Austritt aus der NATO, denn NATO ist nur ein Kriegsbündnis, dass den dritten Weltkrieg provoziert.

### Common Foreign Policy

- The European Union should speak with one voice about migration, economic and foreign policy as well as international affairs. Competition among member states should be reduced, instead solidarity enhanced.
- Réagir face à la Russie et donc se fournir d'une autre manière que par le biais de Gazprom.
- Limiter la surveillance des États-Unis, nous sommes tout le temps espionnés.
- NSA-USA klären.
- Diplomatie in Problemländern.
- Den Einfluss der USA abkoppeln. Europa soll nicht «der Westen» genannt werden, sondern Europa. Es sollte neutral handeln und nicht den Amerikanern hinterher kriechen.
- Die EU sollte darauf achten, dass es eine stärkere Repräsentation einer gemeinsamen Außenpolitik gibt, also die Positionen von Frau Ashton gestärkt wird. Ich möchte jedoch keine vereinigten Staaten von Europ.
- EU-Außenminister.
- Unite in order to be a political power and not be dominated by other might like the US, Russia, China.
- We should open ourselves to the rest of the world and learn with other continents.
- Sanctions again Russia.
- Common European Intelligence Security Service.

### Enlargement

- Ukraine nicht in die EU.
- Kein EU-Beitritt der Türkei.
- No Turkey in the EU.
- Faire rentrer la principauté de Groenland dans 'UE.
- No new members in the EU.
- More states to enter the EU.

### Trade

- A more democratic Europe and respectful of the environment --> NO TTIP.
- The EP should never accept negotiation procedures like now with TTIP! We want democracy and transparency! No arbitral court.
- Do not accept negotiation processes like TTIP.
- No united states of European Parliament. TTIP is a GOOD thing, inform people about it!!
- Schutz der erworbenen Regelung im Lebensmittelbereich durch Ablehnung vom Freihandelsabkommen mit der USA.
- Europe needs a strong code of conduct when it comes to business with third countries, especially those with a disputable reputation regarding good governance and human rights. This should especially apply to arms exports. Moreover the EU institutions have to block cooperation with dictatorships (i.e. trade agreements), even if they are strategic economic partners.

### Solidarity

- I would like the EU not to forget the problem of Cyprus and to keep working to solve the problem. We would like to see a united and integrated Cyprus.
- The EU should also make sure that the problem is not just transferred from Europe to poorer countries.
- Help other countries that are not in the EU, we should unite with the whole world.
- Please pay additional attention to non-EU countries because they are still in Europe!
- To increase awareness that the term "European" does not only relate to the EU, but also to many non-EU European countries who need assistance as well. More sports events on European level.



# Human Rights and social policies

## Rights and anti-discrimination

- Apply the civil and human rights equally in every country of the EU.
- Human rights should not just stay on facebook / twitter.
- What human rights are we talking about if the EU negotiates with Turkey while it has done many genocides and incursions with a big number of victims?
- More equality.
- Equality.
- The EU needs to establish more straight and direct policies on extremist parties in order to fight with the empowering of extremist and xenophobe ideas and opinions!
- Be tolerant towards all minorities.
- Extend the no hate speech movement more.
- Giving more resources to the no hate speech campaign.
- Identity is a very private thing, however, regulated in public. Regulation makes structure but on the micro level it also might kill. Transgender people are terribly discriminated in Europe. A European-level Trans Act is needed to ensure that everyone can lead their lives safely, being recognised as they are. EU and EP should recognise the third gender!
- Des sanctions plus sévères devraient être entreprises pour punir le Racisme.
- Comment peut-on laisser aux jeunes la conscience tranquille, après qu'ils aient dessiné une croix-gammée sur un monument, ou même dans un ascenseur?
- Plus de dialogues et d'interactions directes entre les citoyens pour lutter contre les stéréotypes; grâce à ce genre d'événements.
- Equality: Penalize all forms of discrimination (race, gender, age etc.) through employers.
- Against hatred: The root of the problem with hate crimes against LGBT individuals has to be addressed in order to effectively reduce hatred towards minorities.
- UK should be sanctioned if they speak/promote an unreal image of other EU countries such as Rumania or Bulgaria.
- Better legislation for less discrimination as this may be a cause of unemployment or job satisfaction.
- I wish for Europe to be more open towards foreigners – a multicultural Europe without racism, prejudice and with peace and love.
- European legislation for gay marriage in all EU states.
- More openness among the countries in terms of diversity, let it be in the learning of languages or simply in overcoming prejudice.
- Address the issue regarding human rights or (basic or not) minority groups and enforce laws which protect these vulnerable groups.
- Promote gender equality at all levels of society, equal access to education and jobs, irrespective of sex, gender, religious or ethnic background.
- Combat EXTREMISM, which seeks to destroy liberal values!

## Social Europe and Inclusion

- Help including Roma people.
- Lutte contre la corruption et pour l'égalité d'opportunités.
- Promouvoir une harmonisation sociale et fiscale.
- Promouvoir une Europe sociale (salaire minimum européen).
- Social inclusion and social mobility.

- Obligatory social exchange.
- More social inclusion and if necessary parliament intervention in order to bring about that.
- Find excluded youth and include them.
- Europe as a global role model in defending and ensuring the protection of human rights, and playing a profound and active role in promoting progressive social policies. Internally, EU ensures (e)quality of life for every European citizen by introducing unconditional basic income, and common or at least comparable minimum wages.
- Assurer que chacun ait un toit et de quoi vivre décemment et ensuite chacun sera libre de construire quelque chose et d'entreprendre des projets.
- More importance for minorities from Transylvania.
- More standard laws on work such as gender issues, maternity leave and basic improvements on working conditions.
- Europe should focus on tackling health and social problems.
- Investment in social field = investment in people = investment in UE.

## Migration and Refugees

- Welcome refugees who escaped from their home countries - not because of fun, but because they suffer there.
- Europe should take action in terms of refugees.
- Better life for immigrants.
- Share the responsibility for the migrants and refugees (do not leave the southern European countries alone!).
- No fortress Europe.
- True border sharing! Migration is a reality all should help and intake people leaving their home because of the problems there. Help integration - offer studies, jobs. But also help in their search of their defence at home so that they are not made to leave.
- European Migration Policy.
- Help stop discrimination of immigrants and take care of political refugees.
- Afghanistan, refugees and asylum seekers need to be treated with respect and dignity.
- The EU can no longer make neighbouring countries take over the role of 'police' making sure refugees and immigrants cannot access EU territory.
- Close exterior frontiers!
- Europe has to work hard to find the way to help the refugees that come here because of wars.
- More should be done in order to improve the reception and living conditions of migrants in the EU countries. Living conditions are often so inhumane that they have very negative repercussions upon migrants during their stay in detention and when they leave.
- More integration for immigrants. Giving them a fair chance to live.
- A common policy on migration is paramount.
- More serious debates on the issue of minority inclusion and migration and more enforcement on national level, in the EU.
- The EU should improve its immigration and asylum policy.
- Do not underestimate the fundamental importance of free movement.
- Common European migration policy.
- Open borders.
- Fairer immigration policy, opening of fortress Europe.
- No Fortress Europe! Europe must respect human rights when conducting border controls. Solidarity principles, ethics and shared responsibility to host refugees need to be reinforced.
- High priority to address humanitarian assistance towards the Mediterranean sea.



## Taxes

- A European common company tax which can stop the current race to the bottom which results in a very high tax burden for people with a low or basic income.
- Better support for young entrepreneurs and new co-operatives, e.g. tax reductions or strategic consulting.
- Financial rewards for companies that employ people under 25, tax reduction for small and medium companies.
- European taxes.
- Create a strong European company tax.
- Common European taxes.
- Adopt a financial transaction tax.
- Closing the gap between rich and poor by taxing investments and transactions.
- Fight (and win) for a «fiscal unity» against tax harms.
- Enforce high taxes for products that do not respect workers' rights or environmental rules.
- Give benefits to initiatives that support and focus on green solutions, rather than penalise those working against sustainability. Give, for example financial incentives for sustainable consumption, e.g. by allowing tax reduction when someone lives on an organic diet.
- Abolish all tax exemptions for energy intensive industries – let those pay which are most responsible for climate change.
- Promouvoir une harmonisation sociale et fiscale.

## Banks

- No Euro Bonds.
- Unifying public debts.
- More control over banks.
- Properly regulate the banks.
- To refuse the influences of banks into European countries in order to develop local economies.
- It's good to receive money from the EU if it's for the people, not for the banks.
- Invest in people not in banks!
- No need for the Euro in all EU states, its killing traditions and business for exchange offices.
- Kein Euro in Polen.
- Faire pression sur les banques pour sécuriser les cartes bancaires.
- Ne surtout pas investir dans une Youth Bank. c'est une erreur.
- Bessere und konsequente Bankenaufsicht. Vorstände haften auch privat, wie es in jedem anderen Verein etc. auch ist.

## Investments

- EU support for research and job creation in the field of green economy.
- A European minimum wage is necessary!
- More welfare politics.
- Put more investment in creativity.
- We should invest much more in culture and arts. Everything has to be on a higher advertised level including EYE2014.
- More investments in new European digital technologies as well as EU funding of NGOs working on the improvement of data protection.
- There should be a European high speed rail network that is subsidized in order to make it affordable and considerably cheaper than flights. This network may not only focus on the European center but must also reach the periphery in order to promote sustainable transportation everywhere.
- Mehr Investitionen in Bildung.
- Mehr Geld ins Ausbildungssystem investieren. Man sollte auch dieses System in allen EU-Ländern ähnlicher machen.
- We want an EU in which people are more important than banks and affairs.
- Valeurs de l'économie sociale: 1 homme = 1 voix, réserve impartageable, l'homme au centre de l'économie.
- Giving more resources to the no hate speech campaign.
- More funding for European youth travel groups.
- If the European Voluntary service is so important, then do not cut the money but empower NGOs to create good protests and more opportunities.

## Markets

- More common regulations for the common market! Common market does not have to mean deregulation!
- Measures to discourage Ponzi-like markets run privately and by states.
- Compulsory entrepreneurial internship for politicians so they really know what the economy needs.
- Stop Austerity. More left politics towards the united socialist states of Europe.
- Keine Roamingkosten mehr.

## Solidarity

- Continue to help out European states in crisis but lower financial help.
- We should focus on the happiness of citizens and stop talking about debt and deficit, instead focus on opportunities and development.
- Increasing financial aid to countries who need it.
- I believe Europe should try to help the countries and be like police who put restrictions on example countries with serious economic problems like Cyprus and Greece. They went to Europe for help but not only they don't get help, but also have serious problems with their own people.
- Keine Schuldenvergemeinschaftung.
- Faire en sorte que l'argent distribué aux états européens soit bien utilisé et redistribué (ex: en Roumanie).



## Citizenship and Passport

- One European passport.
- A European passport is necessary.
- Support of EU citizenship.
- European passport.
- Universal passport for everybody, not just for Europeans.
- Create a 5-year European visa for non-European students that come to study in a member state, It is very insecure for these students to renew their visa every year (at least in France) and it doesn't allow them to integrate totally the European society.
- United States of Europe: Europe must finally overcome national boundaries and become a state in its own right. A central European Government and a European president shall be elected directly by the people. Create a European Nationality (passport, common values, knowledge about other countries, mobility, etc.). Introduce a European national holiday that is celebrated every year Europe-wide.
- Une carte d'identité européenne.
- Keine Passkontrollen innerhalb der EU.
- Ich bin gegen Sachen wie einen «European passport», wie sollte man sich dann noch mit seinem Land identifizieren.

## Shared Identity

- Support intercultural exchange especially in the eastern countries of the EU, because most of the people feel left behind.
- Traditions and values are the most important thing. People need to feel like Europeans in all their hearts.
- Don't put too much stress on the European identity. Yes it is better than national identity but those who are perhaps not solely European must be considered as well. A common identity is a great thing, but we should be united as human beings, as well as nations. It has the negative potential to exclude others.
- We should promote mobility and the European identity.
- We cannot talk about European values and traditions if we do not take into account the rest of the world.
- We have to improve the European identity.
- Multicultural Europe.
- Une valeur commune à partager et à promouvoir.
- Achieve more awareness for the European identity to make sure that the peace we have since the foundation of the European Union can be saved in the future. Keep in contact with the young generation and let new ideas come into conversation.
- Promote more European values and start seeing oneself as primarily European and then we will create one European people.
- Promote the EU values – solidarity and tolerance. One simple way to do this is through social volunteering.
- Multiculturalism depends upon multiple cultures, values and identities – we cannot share everything. Especially for the sake of it.
- Better understanding of differences and acceptance of diversity.
- Mobility for more Europe citizenship and a more united Europe.
- In my opinion the empowerment of the European identity could well be the solution of the realisation of deeper cooperation between the EU member-states. The level of EU integrity could be strengthened with the promotion of the EU identity and EU citizenship.

- More integration with people from certain countries so that everybody can feel as though they are a part of Europe.
- More possibilities for the EU citizens to identify with the EU and feeling responsibility to vote.
- Introducing a common European holiday as a Europe-wide national holiday. This should be the 9th of May as it is day of the Schuman declaration. This should help us in winning hearts of many ordinary people.
- 9<sup>th</sup> May Festival Holiday!
- A European «Unity Day» would strengthen the European identity.
- Overcoming national identities and creating a really unifying European identity.
- Create «European feeling» among member states, important for the national governments to create it themselves.
- It is time to each country member to feel part of Europe and be proud of it. Not just have a common pass or ID but an all new culture.
- Improve bounds between countries, have synergy, if we are united we do not have to be good at everything.
- I wish to live in united, safe and tolerant union. We should beware our local and common European culture. The motto should be «united in diversity».
- Connecting Europeans to each other so that we will be a strong union.
- Intercultural learning! Be thankful for our European Identity!
- We should stick together as Europeans, to leave our differences behind and cooperate more.
- A closer and more including Europe for all people in Europe so that in the end we can make a big step in the direction of the United States of Europe!
- Democratic values are coordinated at EU level. The EU doesn't have to impose values, yet democracy is ensured in every member state.
- More understanding for each other, a feeling of togetherness
- Europe ought not to abandon its values so carelessly! Without the basic values, Europe is just like ancient Rome right before its FALL!
- Create an identity of culture, values and history.
- Increasing European events and meetings to create a common identity.
- EU sponsored border dinners: Citizens of two countries are transported to a mutual border where they meet and share home-made food and local drinks while getting to know each other.
- Mandatory European youth exchanges to experience a different part of Europe and in the long run create friendships all over Europe.
- Creating European meeting points, not only for young and mobile citizens who are able to move around Europe, but also for elderly people and socially excluded groups in the European public sphere.
- Political and civic education as primary objective in secondary school, including compulsory units about the values, history, functioning, as well as duties and responsibilities of the European Union and its member states, preferably online and interactive to meet other students from all over Europe.
- Enhance exchange programmes between European youth in order to enhance mutual understanding and foster a common European identity, or introduce one year of European travel, in which everyone who has completed a qualified education (vocational training, degree) gets a grant to travel Europe for 12 months as long as s/he is willing to participate in voluntary work for at least 7 months of that trip. There will be a database of volunteering opportunities.

- Promouvoir la culture: les spécificités de chaque pays ; les convergences ; Cinéma, théâtre, littérature, musique mais aussi la cuisine et l'artisanat (consommer local).
- More Eurovision.
- More exchange on European and national level: social, ethnic, religious, linguistic awareness!
- Enseigner une histoire européenne commune.
- Apprentissage des institutions européennes à l'école primaire.
- Commercialisation/marketing de «l'identité européenne» (t-shirts...).
- Mehr Ausbildung über Europäische Voelker und Werte.
- Bürger einbinden!
- New subject in schools: EU and its institutions!

## Languages

- There are more languages in the EU than the official ones.
- Esperanto as an easy second common language in the EU.
- An increase in burden sharing, recognition of the multilingual aspect where all languages are supposed to be given the same importance.
- Demand education of Esperanto as an easy international language.
- We need Esperanto as a common second language for Europe.
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- A common language. We cannot call ourselves a community without it.
- A bilingual culture must be seriously stressed.
- Esperanto as a second common easy neutral language for the European Parliament.
- We suggest Esperanto as a second common easy neutral language for Europe.
- Développement des écoles bilingues accessibles à tous pour développer un sentiment de communauté et de respect plus soudé !
- Mettre en place un programme d'échange obligatoire dans la scolarité de tous les étudiants européens depuis les 10 ans jusqu'à leur 20 ans afin que tous maîtrisent plusieurs langues.
- Esperanto kann die 2. Sprache für Europa sein. Das wäre schön.
- Besserer Schutz der Sprachen der Mitgliedsstaaten durch stärkeren Verzicht auf Englisch.
- Mehr Rechte für sprachliche Minderheiten in der ganzen EU.

## Education about the EU

- New subject in schools: EU and its institutions!
- Alles was mit der EU zu tun hat muss mehr, besser und nachhaltiger an die ganze Bevölkerung gebracht werden. Die Menschen müssen sich klar werden, was es bedeutet, Europa zu sein, was die EU gutes gebracht hat. Es müssen mehr Aktionen gestartet werden, die das aufzeigen. Das sollte schon in der Schule beginnen. Größerer Fokus auf Themen der EU in allen Fächern! Hebt das positiver hervor.
- More EU in schools. Not memorizing but teaching how to be European.
- Engage member-states to have a fixed subject, "Europe" in high school.
- European pupils and students should be given a platform to be represented in the EU.
- Introduce a school subject "Europe today" about European history, values, human rights and languages to foster common awareness of our shared values and create a European identity.
- The EU should also sponsor online education on political and civic aspects accessible to all schools and universities.
- Political and civic education as primary objective in secondary school, including compulsory units about the values, history, functioning, as well as duties and responsibilities of the European Union and its member states, preferably online and interactive to meet other students from all over Europe.
- Development of our own European education, based on understanding of EU values and the EU culture.
- Educational programs for people in the rural area so that they can better understand the EU and its benefits.
- We need education on Europe and the European Union.
- Enseigner une histoire européenne commune.
- Les programmes d'éducation civique ne sont pas assez centrés sur les valeurs européennes (du moins en France).
- Apprentissage des institutions européennes à l'école primaire.
- Mehr Ausbildung über Europäische Voelker und Werte.
- In order to tackle certain common issues, the EU, as a body needs to go beyond laws and resolutions: Issues such as euroscepticism, gender equality, intolerance. The EU should embark a strong education campaign across all member-states on National TV channels, social media, news agencies and school programmes. Because aside from laws, who challenges and changes practices, it is through education that we can change mentalities.