

I am europe

22 JUNE 2013, THE EGG, BRUSSELS

INVITATION

The Evens Foundation and its partners invite you to the closing conference of the I AM EUROPE project in Brussels on Saturday, 22 June 2013.

From January to June 2013, more than 200 citizens from eight EU countries are participating in the I AM EUROPE project. During three spring weekends, 50 of them gathered in Antwerp, Paris and Warsaw to exchange, explore and evaluate participation tools to enlarge the influence citizens can have on EU policymaking. The outcome of this investigative quest will be presented by the participating citizens and discussed with panels of policymakers and experts at the plenary closing event in Brussels.

During the event, the first European newspaper of its kind, titled I AM EUROPE, will be launched. Produced by the participating citizens, it focuses on a wide variety of stories and issues of interest to European citizens, including the serious democratic challenges the EU currently faces.

PROGRAM

The Egg, rue Bara 175, Brussels, 22 June 2013

CLOSED SESSION FOR I AM EUROPE PARTICIPANTS (invitation only)

- 09:00 Welcome & Introduction
- 09:30 Preparation for working groups
- 09:45 Series of parallel brainstorming sessions (EU citizens, MEPs and experts fine-tune the citizens' ideas & proposals)
- 11:45 Summing up plenary
- 12:15 Lunch

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- 13:45 I AM EUROPE Newspaper Launch
- 14:15 Presentation of citizens' proposals and discussion with 1st panel
- 15:15 Coffee Break
- 15:45 Presentation of citizens' proposals and discussion with 2nd panel
- 16:30 Concluding remarks
- 16:45 I AM EUROPE – The Way Ahead
- 17:15 Closing reception
- 19:00 END

Panelists: Klaus Bondam (DK, Danish Cultural Institute), Laurent D'Hondt (BE, G1000), Joanna Erbel (PL, dept. Sociology at Warsaw Univ.), Caroline Erskine (IE, Irish Prime minister's department), Bart Staes (BE, MEP), Kathleen Van Brempt (BE, MEP), Mieke Van Heesewijk (NL, Network Democracy).

Moderator: Caroline De Gruyter (NL, EU correspondent for NRC Handelsblad)

Entrance is free.

Due to a limited number of seats, **registration is required.**

Please confirm your attendance **before 17th June**

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