



2ND MAYORS SUMMIT ON THE FUTURE OF EUROPE



PEOPLE

PLACES

POLITICS

20-21.03.2019 | BRUSSELS

DRAFT PROGRAMME

EUROCITIES will hold its second mayors summit next 20-21 March 2019 in Brussels to launch our political manifesto ahead of the European elections and to present the results of our cities' work in bridging the gap between Europe and its citizens.

At a time when Europe is striving to retain its legitimacy and relevance, cities can provide a critical link with people. The mismatch between citizens' expectations and what can be done to tackle our most pressing challenges is causing an increasing distance between political institutions and the public. With our 'Cities4Europe - Europe for citizens'

campaign, cities are now leading the way towards the creation of societies where people come first and where trust between people and public authorities is strengthened.

As mayors and city leaders from across Europe we are committed to being strategic partners to the EU institutions and working towards a more positive future for Europe and its people. That is why the summit will be the opportunity to launch our political manifesto ahead of the European elections in May: 'The city leaders' agenda for the EU'.



WEDNESDAY, 20 MARCH 2019

Vaudeville Theatre, Galerie de la Reine 13, 1000 Brussels

Moderator: [Joanna Maycock](#), European Women's Lobby

18:30 - 20:00

THE CITY - A WOMAN'S PLACE

[Anna König Jerlmyr](#), president of EUROCITIES and mayor of Stockholm

[Ada Colau](#), mayor of Barcelona

[Susan Aitken](#), leader of Glasgow

[Johanna Rolland](#), mayor of Nantes

[Emily O'Reilly](#), European ombudsman

20.00 - 22.00

Cocktail reception



THURSDAY, 21 MARCH 2019

Committee of the Regions, room JDE52, Rue Belliard 99-101, 1000 Brussels

Moderator: [Greg Clark](#), urbanist

08:30 - 09:00

Registration and coffee

09:00 - 09.15

SETTING THE SCENE

Welcome by [Anna König Jerlmyr](#), EUROCITIES president and mayor of Stockholm



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09:15 - 10.45

A NEW DEMOCRACY IN EUROPE? CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

Cities4Europe and citizens panels results

[Anna Lisa Boni](#), EUROCITIES secretary general

Addresses by:

[Karl-Heinz Lambertz](#), president Committee of the Regions

[Jan Olbrycht](#), president EP Urban Intergroup

Scheduled responses from citizens and mayors representing the citizen panels initiative.

[Jyrki Katainen](#), vice president of the European commission

10:45 - 11:30

Coffee break and family picture

Signing opportunity for EUROCITIES declaration on citizen engagement

11:30 - 13:00

A NEW DEMOCRACY IN EUROPE - NOW WHAT?

Official presentation of the EUROCITIES manifesto by [Anna König Jerlmyr](#)

Debate with representatives from the main European groups

[Janusz Lewandowski](#), EPP

[Udo Bullmann](#), S&D

[Hilde Vautmans](#), ALDE

[Petra De Sutter](#), Greens

[Colombe Cahen-Salvador](#), Volt

Debate with EUROCITIES mayors

13:00 - 13:15

CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSING

[Dario Nardella](#), EUROCITIES vice president and mayor of Florence

13.15 - 14.15

Lunch