

Cities for Europe



A Soul for Europe Conference 2017

10 – 11 November 2017, Allianz Forum | Radialsystem V | Berlin

In cooperation with 'Wir sind Europa' und 'Cities for Europe'

Who is assuming responsibility for Europe – How citizens, cities and parliaments should cooperate for Europe

Friday, 10 November, Allianz Forum

7 – 9 pm Public debate "Who is assuming responsibility for Europe?
How citizens, cities and parliaments should cooperate for Europe"

Citizens are the cause and goal of the European Union. However, those citizens, as well as the cities and regions they live in, represent not only the propensity of Europe - they are also jointly responsible for the success of the European unification process. This panel discussion confronts the citizens, the foundation of Europe, with the top-down mechanisms of everyday life in Europe. It demands for new methods of sharing responsibility in order for the European unification process to succeed.

The opening event will present statements of representatives from each level of political responsibility: **Emil Boc** (Mayor of Cluj-Napoca), **Rüdiger Kruse** (MdB), **Karl-Heinz Lambertz** (President Committee of the Regions), **Jo Leinen** (MEP), **Gerry Woop** (State Secretary for European Affairs, City of Berlin), **Juan Gabriel Vasquez** (Artist)

Saturday, 11 November, Radialsystem V

9:30 – 10:00 am Registration
10.00 – 10:30 am Welcome words
10:30 – 11:00 am Keynote Speech
11:00 – 12.30 am Round of Workshops

Cities for Europe: **Citizens shape the Future of Europe**, with Karl-Heinz Lambertz, Alexander Freiherr Knigge, Gerry Woop

Das Progressive Zentrum: **#DialogueOnEurope: New Ideas for Migration Policy**, with Jo Leinen (tbc), Sir Graham Watson (tbc) and Maria Skorá

Internationales literaturfestival berlin: **New Stories for Europe?** with Priya Basil, Daphne Büllesbach, Ivana Sajko, Paul Dujardin, Juan Gabriel Vasquez and Simon Mundy

BOZAR: **Next Generation, Please!** with Leni Huyghe (artistic workshop, part 1)

12.30 – 2 pm Lunch break and European Marketplace

2 – 3.30 pm Round of Workshops 2

Cities for Europe: **How can cities act for Europe?** with Hella Dunger-Löper
Arts Research Institute of Georgia: **Civil Society in Georgia on the Way Towards Europe**, with Minister Viktor Dolidze, Minister. Mikheil Giorgadze, Mr. David Sakvarelidze (Artistic Director of Tzsinandali Music Festival), Mr. Giorgii Sharvashidze (Rector of Javakhisvili Tbilisi State University)

Cafébabel & N-Ost: **Creating a European public sphere**, with Katharina Kloss, Sébastien Vannier and Anke Plättner

BOZAR: **Next Generation, Please!** with Leni Huyghe (artistic workshop, part 2)

3.30– 4 pm Artistic Intervention: presentation of the BOZAR workshop

4 – 5.30 pm Round of Workshops 3

Advocate Europe/Actors of urban change: **European Cities from the Bottom Up - New Responses from Civil Society and Local Administrations**, with Tamar Gurdikyan, Refugees for Co-Creative Cities

GRAD & Felix Meritis Foundation: **Creating Active Citizenship- The Notion of Civil Society and Culture in Belgrade and Amsterdam**, with activists from Belgrad, Hala Naoum Néhme, Steve Austen, Silke Gebel (tbc), Bernhard Schneider (tbc)

Theater an der Parkaue: **What Can Theatre (for Children) Do for Europe?** with Kay Wuschek, Axel Möbius and Nicolas Bertrand

5.30 – 6 pm Conclusions and discussion of results

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