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# The Future of Europe: European identity and EU political landscape

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Participation is free, Registration is requested! See attached registration form

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Friday, February 15, 2019

Venue: Haus der Industrie, Schwarzenbergplatz 4, 1030 Wien

18.00: Opening: Europa – Quo Vadis?

Karl von Habsburg, President Paneuropamovement Austria

Laris Gaiser, President der Paneuropa Movement Slovenia




Alain Terrenoire, President Paneuropa-Union

Johannes Peterlik, secretary general federal ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Austria

Karoline Edtstadler, state secretary ministry of interior, Austria, tbc

Damir Črnčec, state secretary in the cabinet of the prime minister, Slovenia

20.00: networking and cultural evening

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**Saturday, February 16, 2019**

**Venue: Haus der Industrie, Schwarzenbergplatz 4, 1030 Wien**

**09.00 – 10.30: More European Integration for less Euroscepticism**

György Nógrádi, Corvinus University, Hungary

Jolanta Szymanska, Head of the Program, Polish Institute of International Affairs

Markus Tschank, Member of Austrian Parliament

Anders Oljelund, former Swedish Ambassador to Belgium and Nato, Sweden

Moderator: Laris Gaiser, President Paneuropa Movement Slovenia

10.30 – 11.00: Coffee break

**11.00 – 12.30: European political disunity – food for Eurosceptics**

Lojze Peterle, MEP, Slovenia

Martin Kastler, Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung, Representative and regional director CZ, HU, SK

Karlis Bukovskis, Deput Director of the Latvian Institute of International Affairs, Latvia

Moderator: Dejan Hribar, secretary general Paneuropa Movement Slovenia

12.30 – 13.30: Lunch break

**13.30 – 15.00: European election 2019 – new faces, old Europe?**

Claudia Gamon, Member of Austrian Parliament, tbc

Lukas Mandl, MEP, Austria

Patrick Müller, Diplomatic Academy, Vienna

Jakub Wisniewski, GLOBSEC, Poland

Franco Cardina, Paneuropa San Marino, tbc

Moderator: Rainhard Kloucek, secretary general Paneuropamovement Austria

15.00 – 15.30: Coffee break

**15.30 – 17.00: The Future of Europe**

Rajko Uskoković, Vice-President Paneuropa-Union Montenegro

Ihor Zhaloba, President Paneuropa-Union Ukraine

Lucia Mokrá, Comenius Universität Bratislava, Slovakia

Moderator: Annamária Csiszér, Member of Board Paneuropa-Union Hungary

17.00: Closing remarks

20.00: networking

**Sunday, February 17, 2019**

**09.00 – 12.00: JOCICEF General Assembly**

#### **JOCICEF – Joint Citizens' Forces – Common European Future**

Due to citizens' mistrust in EU institutions and decision makers, we have to build on a strong bottom-up approach, empower the citizens and civil society organisations to be able to understand the importance of continuing on the path of European integration. Moreover, building trust and fostering mutual cooperation between citizens and policy makers at EU level is crucial. The aim of the project is to attract and engage European citizens and civil society organisations in structural dialogue with EU policy and decision makers on how to reduce Euroscepticism and spread the realisation that European integration is still necessary. Particular focus will be put on increasing the level of understanding of the EU policy-making process, how to transform and translate citizens' ideas and needs in the EU decision-making process, how to improve the communication channels between citizens, civil society organisations and decision makers, and on the importance of having unified and strong common European policies and approaches. By offering a platform for engaging European citizens in debates on their and thus our common future, this project promises to be innovative, inclusive and interactive.

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