



## THE “BRUSSELS HEALTH SAFETY LABEL” VISITING THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT SAFELY

The European Parliament’s visitor facilities have been awarded the “[Brussels Health Safety Label](#)” by meeting the strict safety rules set out in the label protocol. The [House of European History](#), [Parlamentarium](#), [Hemicycle](#) and [Station Europe](#) now join the more than twenty establishments and institutions in Brussels that can confidently promise to provide a safe environment to visitors. This initiative was launched in July by [visit.brussels](#) in cooperation with the international certification agency Socotec to help restart the tourism sector. Tourist attractions, hotels, restaurants, museums, guided tours, venues, events and fairs are all eligible to apply for the label.

### NEWS, BRUSSELS

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**16 October: New temporary exhibition at the  
Parlamentarium**



[“FEMMES - Portraits of women accompanied by the Samusocial Brussels”](#): from May to August 2020, during the Covid-19 crisis, Samusocial Brussels, supported by the Brussels Common Community Commission, opened a centre for homeless women in one of the European Parliament's buildings in Brussels. 279 women were sheltered in the offices of staff as an act of solidarity and public service. The exhibition is the result of the work of the photographer Gaël Turine and the journalist Anne-Cécile Huwart who, together, have captured 15 stories of sorrow and despair, but also desire and eagerness for a brighter future. Come to discover more.

## NEWS, BRUSSELS

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### 24 October: New temporary exhibition at the House of European History



The [House of European History](#) invites visitors to explore the fascinating world of forgery, fakes and falsehoods, with its new temporary exhibition [“Fake for Real: A history of forgery and falsification”](#). The public opening on 24 October features a rich programme of activities both on-site and online, including performances by artistic collective K.A.K. and Blast Projekt. A documentary on the largest consumer hoax the Czech Republic has ever seen titled Czech Dream will also be screened online followed by a live Q&A session with director Filip Remunda.

## NEWS, BRUSSELS

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### Discover more about the European Parliament with Interactive EP talks

If groups cannot go to the European Parliament, the European Parliament goes to them. Groups can learn about the European Parliament without ever setting foot in Brussels or Strasbourg through online talks organised in 24 languages. We are pleased to have organised 30 Interactive EP talks between April and September, reaching several hundred people so far. If you or your organisation are interested in an Interactive EP talk please contact: [visit@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:visit@europarl.europa.eu)



## NEWS, STRASBOURG

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### Individual visitors welcome for tours and exhibitions



The European Parliament in Strasbourg is delighted to receive individual visitors again. Since 15 July, they have been able to tour the public gallery of the Hemicycle and the interactive [Parlamentarium Simone Veil](#) with multimedia guides in 24 different languages. Now visitors also have the opportunity to explore a photo exhibition marking the 20th anniversary of the Louise Weiss building as well as an exhibition celebrating the [70th anniversary of the Schuman Declaration](#). This exhibition along with another dedicated to the [30th anniversary of the reunification of Germany](#) are available online for virtual

visitors. Watch this [video](#) to get an idea of what you might see on a visit to the European Parliament in Strasbourg.

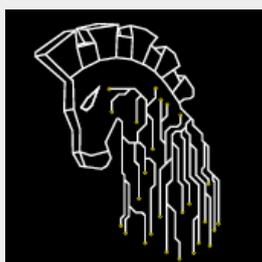
## EVENTS

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16-10-2020 to 28-02-2021  
**Temporary exhibition at  
the Parliamentarium**

Discover 15 stories of sorrow and despair, but also desire and eagerness for a brighter future: [“FEMMES - Portraits of women accompanied by the Samusocial Brussels”](#).



24-10-2020 to 31-10-2021  
**Temporary exhibition at  
the House of European  
History**

Enjoy [“Fake for Real: A history of forgery and falsification”](#) opening on Saturday 24 October.



15-11-2020, 13:00 - 17:00  
**Youngsters invited to  
become History Heroes at  
the House of European  
History**

During [Family Days 2020](#), young visitors are invited to create their own historical super-hero and battle current challenges affecting society. Youngsters will be offered a cape, resource pack and plenty of fun activities with the help of designers and facilitators. At the end of the day they can take it all home with them.

## FLASH INFO

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The European Parliament thanks all the language-lovers who took part in the very successful Multilingualism Day held online on 26 September. Participants from all corners of the world tuned into live panel discussions broadcast from the Brussels Hemicycle, joined virtual workshops and learned more about the democratic role of languages. Anyone who missed the live broadcast can watch a recording on the [event page](#). Enjoy the viewing!

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After reopening with limited services, mandatory booking and extensive hygiene measures in place, visitors at the European Parliament in Brussels and Strasbourg were invited to express their level of satisfaction. In a survey conducted this August, 97.5% of respondents believed that the hygiene measures were appropriate, 85% were satisfied with the content of their visit and 94% thought the organisation of their visit was easy. The European Parliament remains committed to providing visitors with both a safe and fulfilling experience.

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[The Jean Monnet House](#) in Bazoches-sur-Guyonne (France) has just enlarged its green spaces. From next spring onwards, this extension will offer more opportunities for cultural and educational events, including promoting the work done by the man widely considered as one of the founding fathers of the European Union.

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Bad weather conditions and new Covid-19 precautionary measures will not stop the music! Instead of going to the new Citizens' Garden to listen to 30-minute classical concerts performed by virtuosos and rising stars, you can now enjoy them [online](#).

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Online European Youth Seminars are now available for youth groups, schools and universities. This immersive educational experience includes an introduction to the

European Parliament, workshops and a discussion with a Member of the European Parliament. For inquiries please contact [eyes@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:eyes@europarl.europa.eu)

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After the reopening of the European Parliament's facilities in Brussels, Strasbourg and Paris, the five [Europa Experience](#) sites in Berlin, Copenhagen, Helsinki, Ljubljana and Tallinn are now ready to once again welcome visitors curious about the European Union.

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From 24 October - 25 November 2020 the House of European History will be hosting a series of [online screenings](#) linked to their new temporary exhibition "Fake For Real – A History of forgery and falsification". Don't miss them!

## WHAT'S UP AT OTHER EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

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### Getting to know the European Commission online



Groups wanting to learn more about the role of the European Commission and the priorities of the von der Leyen Commission can request a virtual visit with online presentations by Commission officials. Those interested can also sign up to meet Commission staff virtually. More information about virtual group visits can be found on the [European Commission Visitors' Centre website](#).



### Aerial photo expo - exploring the relationship between humankind and nature

As of 26 October, the European Economic and Social Committee will host a [photography exhibition entitled "Habitat"](#) featuring the work of Tom Hegen, an award-winning German photographer and designer

from Munich. The exhibition will take place in connection with the German Presidency of the Council of the European Union

### **Online talks as an alternative to on-site visits**



As the European Economic and Social Committee is temporarily closed to external visitors, they too are launching online talks as an alternative. During these virtual meetings, visitors can get acquainted with the functioning and role of the EESC in the EU decision-making process. Get in touch and schedule an online talk by contacting:

[visitEESC@eesc.europa.eu](mailto:visitEESC@eesc.europa.eu)