



# LOOKING FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU AGAIN

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## 2021: READY TO WELCOME YOU AGAIN WITH AN EVER GROWING VISITOR OFFER!

2021 is finally here, bringing with it opportunities to reflect and also, hope for the future. In 2020, the European Parliament expanded its online visitor offer, allowing citizens from across Europe to learn more about the European Union through interactive talks and online seminars. There are many more exciting projects in the pipeline such as outdoor events and digital ways to experience the European Parliament and discover the European Quarter - stay tuned! Meanwhile, in Brussels, the House of European History and the Citizens' Garden are welcoming visitors once again, and we look forward to welcoming them back in all of our facilities once circumstances allow. Wishing you health, happiness and hope as we head into this New Year!

### NEWS, BRUSSELS

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#### House of European History recruiting visitors for a focus group

Have you visited the [House of European History](#) in the past two years? Share your experience! The House of European History



is seeking participants for online round-table discussions, in French or in English, to get insights into the visitor experience and how it can be made even better. If you want to take part in this unique opportunity, please contact: [historia-Press@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:historia-Press@europarl.europa.eu) by 03/02/2021.

## NEWS

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### European Parliament's online visitor offer



The European Parliament activities for visitors went digital in 2020! The 155 [online EP Talks](#) and five online [European Youth Seminars](#) have already reached over 5,500 attendees. Members of the European Parliament and participants alike unanimously appreciate the online activities. Get a glimpse into these activities with the [promo video](#) and do not hesitate to [book your online EP talk](#) or to [request a European Youth Seminar!](#)

## NEWS, BAZOCHES-SUR-GUYONNE

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### Virtual journey among the iconic houses where the European project began

During its temporary closure, the Jean Monnet House is partnering with the Maison de Robert Schuman, the Konrad Adenauer-Haus, and the Fondazione Trentina Alcide De Gasperi to propose a virtual journey among the iconic houses where the European project was born. Every Wednesday, discover an object and the stories behind it from each site with the [video series "A common dream of peace"](#).



## NEWS, BRUSSELS

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### House of European History open every weekend

The [House of European History](#) has reopened its doors and is welcoming visitors once again with exciting permanent and new temporary exhibitions. The much anticipated [“Fake for Real” exhibition](#) invites visitors to explore the fascinating world of forgery, fakes and falsehood from antiquity to the present day. Individual visitors can enjoy the museum on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and must [book their visit](#) in advance.

## EVENTS

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27-01-2021, 20:00 - 21:30

### International Holocaust Remembrance Day Live concert

On International Holocaust Remembrance Day, the Sturm und Klang ensemble will perform live at the [House of European History](#). Appreciate and learn about music from composers affected by Nazi violence and the Shoah in Europe. Find out more about [the live concert here](#).

## FLASH INFO

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Join [together.eu](https://together.eu) and help shape European democracy! - Citizens can now sign up to [join together.eu](https://together.eu), a new online community that encourages everybody to participate in democracy. Together.eu is the place to connect, debate, and act for democracy in Europe. Sign up today to join events organised across Europe, meet fellow Europeans and keep up to date with the latest news from the European Parliament.

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The [Citizens' Garden](#) is open again: do not hesitate to discover this serene, green oasis amid the busy European Quarter. Just 100 metres from the European Parliament's official entrance, the garden is in the grounds of the former residence and studio of the 19th century artist Antoine Wiertz.

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Since the end of 2020, it is easier than ever to book a visit at the House of European History, the Parliamentarium, the Hemicycle in Brussels and in Strasbourg as well as at the Jean Monnet House in France: all have their own tailor-made booking system that automates the whole registration process. Plenty of major improvements are in the pipeline in 2021- [stay tuned!](#)

## WHAT'S UP AT OTHER EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

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### 2nd European Book Forum - online with the European Commission



In partnership with the [European Commission](#), the Brussels' Book Fair invites you to the second [European Book Forum](#) on Wednesday 24 February. From 10.00 to 17.00, attend a virtual afternoon conference to take stock of the current events and issues in the world of European publishing and books.

### Get to know the Committee of the Regions online



The [European Committee of the Regions \(CoR\)](#) continues to connect with citizens and organises virtual presentations as long as physical visits are not possible. The CoR is the voice for one million local and regional politicians to represent their interest in the European Union. Presentations about CoR political priorities, tasks and structures, and participation in the program "Back to School" allow CoR to stay in contact with European citizens. To organise a visit, contact [visitesCdR@cor.europa.eu](mailto:visitesCdR@cor.europa.eu)

### Explore the European Council virtually



The [Council](#) opens its doors virtually with a new [360° virtual tour](#). You can move around the house of the member states and learn where and how governments work together to shape Europe's future. To know more about what goes on inside the Council buildings, watch the clip "[Welcome to the Council](#)".

### Culture première in the European Economic and Social Committee virtual exhibition



The online [exhibition "Hand in Hand"](#), by Portuguese artist Maria Reis Rocha, features a series of illustrations and short videos about the social dimension of life. Her work is closely connected to the Portuguese Presidency priorities: a resilient Europe, a social Europe, a green Europe, a digital Europe and a global Europe. Don't miss it!

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