



WELCOME BACK TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

The summer months saw citizens return to visit the European Parliament in Brussels and Strasbourg as well as in the Jean Monnet House in Bazoches-sur-Guyonne and the Europa Experience centres in Berlin, Copenhagen, Helsinki, Ljubljana and Tallinn. We welcomed visitors in greater numbers than in 2020 and hope to continue receiving them with all the exciting events lined up online, and in person. Read on to find out more.

NEWS

Parlamentarium celebrates its 10th anniversary

In October, the European Parliament's Visitors' Centre will celebrate its 10th anniversary. [The Parlamentarium](#) has welcomed over 2.5 million visitors since it opened with a mission to explain Parliament's key role in European democracy and to take citizens on a journey through European integration. To mark this occasion, the Parlamentarium has added two new media stations featuring key topics on



Parliament's agenda. These include climate change, digital transition and [the Conference on the Future of Europe](#). One of the new interactive stations allows citizens to discover the opinions of Parliament's leaders on the most relevant topics affecting Europe, while the other invites them to find out how Parliament addresses the most pressing issues on the European agenda. [Visits to the Parliamentarium are free and available in 24 languages.](#)

NEWS

Fake for Real - extended until February 2022

Visitors now have three more months to explore this fascinating temporary exhibition at the House of European History, featuring 200 remarkable artefacts from across Europe! Fake For Real explores the history of forgery and fake news from antiquity to the present. Learn how falsified data, media and products have been used to advance careers, increase political power and target consumers throughout history. Entrance is free but [visits must be booked online in advance](#). And if you can't visit in person, the curators of the exhibition have put together a [virtual visit on Youtube](#).



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Brussels Hemicycle and European Parliament in Strasbourg open for individual visitors

The European Parliament is welcoming you again onsite [in Strasbourg](#) and at the [Hemicycle in Brussels](#). Over the summer,

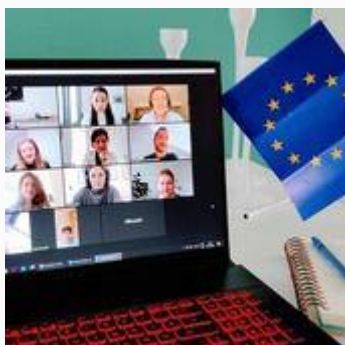


more than 12,000 individual visitors opted for a multimedia-guided visit of the Brussels Hemicycle in any of the 24 EU languages, or joined a Hemicycle talk in English or French, and got all their questions answered by our experienced speakers. To register for a multimedia guided visit of the Hemicycle or to book a Hemicycle talk in Brussels, [check the schedule on the website](#). It is not necessary to book a visit to the European Parliament in Strasbourg however [you will be asked to present an EU Covid Certificate upon entry](#).

NEWS

European Parliament's online visitor offer

The European Parliament continues to organise online activities for visitor groups. You can attend an [online EP Talk](#) in any of the 24 EU official languages to discover the role and powers of the European Parliament, the history of the European Union and its impact on your daily life. Alternatively, youth groups can request an [online European Youth Seminar](#) for which new dates are available. During the seminars, student groups exchange ideas with their peers from all over Europe and present their solutions in front an MEP. Both activities aim to give you an overview of Europe's challenges and priorities and show you how to participate in the Conference on the Future of Europe. [Book your online EP talk](#) or [request a European Youth Seminar!](#)



NEWS

The first hybrid European Youth Event (EYE2021)

EYE2021 will take place on 8 and 9 October 2021 and will bring together thousands of young people from all over the European Union online and in person. It is a unique opportunity for young Europeans to interact, get inspired and to shape and share their ideas on the future of Europe. All young people aged between 16 and 30 years old can take part in the various online activities including the Opening session, Hemicycle Hangouts, or thematic briefings unveiling the EP Behind the scenes. [Check out the programme and save the date!](#)



EVENTS



18 -19 September

Heritage Days in Belgium

During the [Brussels Heritage Days](#), the European Parliament will organise special visits of its Hemicycle, tours of the House of



18 - 19 September

Heritage Days in France

The European Parliament in France will once again take part in the annual European Heritage Days. [Visit us in Strasbourg](#) and find

European History, walking tours, and pop-up historical performances. [Discover the Hemicycle](#) with the help of a multimedia guided visit or an interactive presentation in French, English, Dutch or other languages, upon availability, about the functioning of Parliament at the crossroads of European cultures, and explore how to contribute to the Conference on the Future of Europe. Join the House of European History team to delve into the history of the Eastman building and meet Simone Veil and Robert Schuman in a [pop-up historical performance](#).

out more about the institution that represents 446 million European citizens and plays an essential role in the European Union's decision-making process. The day will also be an opportunity to discover the Conference on the Future of Europe, a unique opportunity to have your say on the direction the European Union should take in the years to come. In Île-de-France, [the Jean Monnet House](#) will offer guided tours of the exhibition. Also on the programme: a talk about the artwork on display, a workshop about plants and an outdoor performance in the European Garden.



24 - 25 September

Online Multilingualism Day

Peek behind the curtain and see how the European Parliament works in 24 languages. Watch the live stream from the Hemicycle plenary chamber in Brussels and find out more



17 September, 15 October, 19 November,

17 December, 12:00

Fake Fridays: history, myths and facts

Visit the House of European History on the third Friday of every month as the temporary exhibition space is transformed into a meeting

about the most multilingual Parliament in the world. Discover how you can participate in the Conference on the Future of Europe and attend virtual workshops with interpreters and translators. Learn how languages have shaped the continent on a tour of the House of European History. [Not to be missed for language lovers!](#)

place. Be ready to have a hard time distinguishing between the real and the fake! In just 10 minutes, decide for yourself if something you see is real, or simply too good to be true. Can you trust your intuition or is this [Fake For Real?](#)

FLASH INFO

The Citizens' Garden continues to host a variety of outdoor cultural events in Brussels. [Attend one of the lunchtime concerts until the end of September](#) or [take part in a literary evening](#) organised in conjunction with Europe Readr.

Have your say on the future of Europe with the [Conference on the Future of Europe!](#) No matter where you are, you can take part in shaping Europe's future thanks to the digital platform. Available in 24 languages, the [online platform](#) allows citizens to attend an event or organise their own and share their thoughts on the future of Europe.

Join [together.eu](#) and help shape European democracy! Citizens can sign up to join together.eu, a new online community that encourages everybody to participate in democracy. 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.

The Europa Experiences in Berlin, Copenhagen, Helsinki, Ljubljana and Tallinn are open again for individual visitors. Citizens can discover the European Union with immersive displays such

as a 360 cinema and an interactive map. Curious about the Europa Experience project? Check out [our website](#) for more information and find the Europa Experience that's closest to you!

The new podcast from the House of European History goes behind the scenes of the temporary exhibition *Fake (f)or Real*. Curators Joanna Urbanek and Simina Badica discuss what it is like to plan and launch an exhibition - from production to promotion and everything in between. Listen now on [Spotify](#) or [Soundcloud](#).

Looking for something different to do in Brussels this weekend? The popular EP Walking Tours around the European Quarter have been extended until the end of November! Tours are available in French, Dutch, German, and English and last 90 minutes. [Booking recommended](#).

The inaugural [Park Leopold Day](#) on September 4 in Brussels was a great success. For the first time ever, the European Parliament joined forces with other museums and organisations that call Park Leopold their home, to celebrate a community event. Look out for the next edition in 2022!

WHAT'S UP AT OTHER EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

Discover how the European Commission impacts your business



Civil society groups, business representatives or anyone wishing to learn more about the European Commission and the priorities of the von der Leyen Commission - can discuss it virtually with Commission officials. Find out more about how specific policies impact your daily life! [Request a virtual visit](#).

Virtual exhibition from the European Economic and Social Committee



To mark the beginning of the Slovenian Presidency, the EESC presents a virtual photo exhibition by the awarded young photographer [Ciril Jazbec](#). The virtual photo exhibition "[A decade of climate change](#)" features a series of 25 images; part of the artist's long term project entitled "Climate Change Resilience". [Do not miss the chance to visit it here.](#)

Running for Europe in the Brussels 20km



On September 12, over 800 colleagues from the European institutions took part in the annual Brussels 20km race. The Running for Europe team were running to raise awareness of the [Conference on the Future of Europe](#) and [Europe's Beating Cancer Plan](#), and money from each registration will be donated to [TELEVIE](#) for cancer research.

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