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COUNTER EUROSCEPTICISM WITH YOU VOTE

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AGENDA

Big Multinational Event “EU Future” in Slovakia

Online, 23. and 24. May 2022



Main topics of the Event “EU Future” in Slovakia, online

The main event theme of the big event in Slovakia is the future of EU and the challenges of Euroscepticism, particularly in the partner countries. This event will focus on the on different types of Euroscepticism which are present in the partner countries and wider EU. The strategies to combat Euroscepticism and the reason for Euroscepticism increases. We will also address the future of EU and the challenges which are going to face the state of EU in the next decade.

The EU is largely viewed as a cornerstone of European stability and prosperity. For much of the last decades, however, many EU countries have faced considerable economic difficulties. Despite an improved economic situation in the EU since 2017, economic pressures and societal changes have contributed to the rise of populist and anti-establishment political parties, at least some of which harbour anti-EU or “Eurosceptic” sentiments. Such trends have complicated the EU’s ability to deal with multiple internal and external challenges. Among the most prominent challenges are

- COVID 19 pandemic challenges;
- climate challenge challenges;
- democracy and rule-of-law concerns in some EU members;
- the departure of the United Kingdom from the EU (“Brexit”);
- migration and related societal integration concerns;

Amid these difficult issues, some are questioning the future shape and character of the EU. Supporters of the EU worry that certain aspects of EU integration could be stopped or reversed. Others contend that the multiple crises could produce some beneficial reforms and ultimately transform the EU into a more effective, cohesive entity.

One of the biggest challenges, which is facing the future of the EU, is certainly Euroscepticism. In the aftermath of a decade of crisis, the 2019 European Parliament elections confirmed the results of the 2014 elections as voters turned away from the traditional political families to vote for parties with a strong message on Europe, including Eurosceptic parties. It further evidenced the normalization of Euroscepticism, which has become a stable component of European politics.

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ALL TIMES ARE CENTRAL-EUROPEAN TIME (Paris, Brussels, Madrid, Podgorica, Warsaw, Ljubljana, Budapest)

Event Jamboard

https://jamboard.google.com/d/1baogS9WylrCKRP_-SU45_fo3Ku14itiKRF1MKNj3sll/edit?usp=sharing

Date and Time	Program
Day 1: 23 May, 2022	
9.30 – 9.45	Registration and technical assistance
9.45 – 9.55	Welcome, short presentation of the project and the event - Simon Wltavsky, Institute TREND-PRIMA, Maribor
	Introductory speech:
9.55 – 10.15	State of EU in regards to Euroscepticism and the EU future - Simon Wltavsky, Institute TREND-PRIMA, Maribor
	PANEL I - Tackling Euroscepticism via teaching, campaigning and projects
10.15 – 11.40	Youth Participation - funding opportunities for your future campaign Katja Lenic Salamun, Verein InterAktion Teaching civics to build active (euro)citizenship skills: Experience from elementary and high schools around Slovakia. Jana Feherpataky Kuzmová, Institute for Active Citizenship State of Euroscepticism in the EU and particularly in the project partner countries, combating Euroscepticism with the EU projects Franja Bučar, DRPDNM
11.40 – 13.00	Lunch Break

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	Keynote speech
13.00 – 14.00	Euroscepticism, membership in the EU and public opinion – research results for CEE region <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Miroslava Sawiris, Globsec, Government Office of the Slovak Republic
Day 2: 24 May, 2022	
10.00 – 10:15	Registration, technical assistance and welcome
	PANEL II – Belonging to the European Union
10.15 – 11.30	Historical Evolution of the pro-Russian attitude in the Czech lands <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Pavel Vitek, ICM Jindrichuv Hradec Selective Euroscepticism: how Slovakia strongly opposed EU immigration policies while reaffirming its belongingness to the EU. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Clarissa Tabosa, Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences – Comenius University in Bratislava
11.30 – 12.30	Lunch Break
	PANEL III – Looking out to the future of the European Union
12.30 – 14.00	It's a shame (to be a European). Is it? <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Erich Mistrík, Faculty of Education – Comenius University in Bratislava Future of the EU and Hungary, main challenges of the upcoming years <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Máté Deák, Municipality Sopronkövesd The Future of EU, Euroscepticism and the Importance of European Citizenship Education <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Iva Sedlic, Europe House Slavonski Brod



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Registration

Registration for 1. day - 23.5.2022

<https://forms.gle/8sNo7TwFQ7pzVgni9>

Registration for 2. day - 24.5.2022

<https://forms.gle/z7mrB3BQcdmzWoRS6>

ZOOM links

Day 1 - Big Event "EU Future" in Slovakia

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87571601136?pwd=b1QmlK8wvN8IjO8emhR5WBJCw4LgK7.1>

Meeting ID: 875 7160 1136

Passcode: 988998

Day 2 - Big Event "EU Future" in Slovakia

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89501520610?pwd=fTCRIaCOu8UG_KP1d_t-eCcTrWrknL.1

Meeting ID: 895 0152 0610

Passcode: 723272

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