

# EUROPEAN IDEAS LAB

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# MODERATION & VISUAL FACILITATION

## MODERATION - STIOFÁN NUTTY

Stiofán will guide us through the event and make sure time and principles are kept! Graduated from Trinity College Dublin with business degree. By 1998 he began to develop both a management consultancy business and a broadcasting career. In 2003 he became the Irish Green Party's first General Secretary. Stiofán chaired the Green Party's "Reference Group" that negotiated the 2007 Programme for Government and the "Renewed Programme for Government" in 2009. In 2011 he re-launched and broadened his consultancy to general business and the political world. He is a Mediators' Institute of Ireland (MII) Certified Mediator and handles Public Relations for the MII. Stiofán is Director of Educational Services for Green Foundation Ireland. Stiofán is a Local Enterprise Office business mentor since 2013 and in 2015, he was appointed as Coordinator of the Horticulture Industry Forum in Ireland. Over the past 4 years Stiofán has facilitated and moderated national and European events across Ireland and in Brussels.

## VISUAL FACILITATION - LARA LISTENS & JAKOP KOHLBRENNER

Lara & Jakob will take visual notes during the European Ideas Lab. Lara combines visual thinking with profound knowledge of learning, participation and organizational development. She works as a visual facilitator. This means that she helps organizations – and the people within – to have conversations that matter. Together, we approach difficult questions and complex situations with ease, structure and intention. Ease, fun and colour are important ingredients of her work – and life. Raised in the capital of Europe, she now lives in Heidelberg, Germany. Jakob is a Graphic Facilitator based in Freiburg (Germany) and works with visualization to make dialogue visible, tangible and more pro-active. As a facilitator and Art of Hosting practitioner, he has supported many different sustainability projects in Germany and Europe in their participatory process design to foster collective intelligence and group sensemaking.



# KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



## BERTRAND PICCARD

[www.bertrandpiccard.com](http://www.bertrandpiccard.com)  
[www.solarimpulse.com](http://www.solarimpulse.com)

Bertrand Piccard is the initiator behind Solar Impulse, the first airplane to fly around the world without a drop of fuel. He more recently launched the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions, and with it the goal of selecting #1000 solutions that protect the environment in a profitable way to bring them to decision makers by COP24 (2018) and encourage them to adopt more ambitious environmental targets and energy policies.

Originating from a family of explorers, it is in his DNA to go beyond the obvious and push back the boundaries of the possible, as he did with his two round-the-world flights - with Solar Impulse and before that non-stop in a balloon. A trained psychiatrist, Bertrand constantly sets out to challenge certitudes and convictions, and advocates for an innovative and pioneering spirit to improve the quality of life on Earth.

Envisioning ecology through the lens of profitability, promoting clean and profitable solutions that are "logical" more than just "eco-logical," Bertrand demonstrates the opportunities that lie in solving climate change. With his dual identities as explorer and medical doctor, he has become an influential voice heard among the most distinguished institutions across the globe as a forward-thinking leader for progress and sustainability.

Credit: Dominik Ketz

## BRIAN YOUNG - THE ACTION NETWORK

 [actionnetworkfund.org](http://actionnetworkfund.org)

Brian Young is the co-founder and Executive Director at The Action Network, an open platform that empowers individuals and groups to organize for progressive causes. Before dedicating his time to helping activists to transform their spontaneous protests into movements for mass mobilisation, Brian Young spent a decade at the forefront of the digital revolution in politics. From mobilizing millions of women worldwide for the Women's March to fundraising millions of dollars to support the Standing Rock Sioux community fighting against the Dakota Access pipeline project, Brian Young will give some insight into strategies for recruiting and empowering new activists to amplify spontaneous citizens' movements.

**WHO'S WHO**

# CHANGEMAKERS

## AUSTRIA

### An.schläge

- [anschlaege.at/feminismus](http://anschlaege.at/feminismus)
- [facebook.com/anschlaege](https://facebook.com/anschlaege)
- [twitter.com/anschlaege](https://twitter.com/anschlaege)

An.schläge is a feminist magazine based in Vienna, Austria. Founded in 1983, an.schläge is a unique project in the German-speaking media landscape with eight issues per year. As a feminist news magazine, an.schläge features politics, media and arts, economics and science from a feminist perspective. We pick up topics which are in large part ignored by mainstream media and offer a platform for discourses within the women's and LGBTIQ movements.

**Represented by:** Denise Beer, Lea Susemichel & Brigitte Theissl

### Dorf TV

- [dorftv.at](http://dorftv.at)
- [facebook.com/dorfTV](https://facebook.com/dorfTV)

Based in Linz (Upper Austria), dorf tv is a strictly independent and non-commercial TV station. It offers an open platform for alternative content and topics, which are often neither detected nor covered by the private or public media landscape. dorf tv provides a space where people can experiment with their own media presence, gather experience and know how. One of the main goals is to foster local and regional circulations of information as preconditions of cultural pluralism, social justice and democracy.

**Represented by:** Martin Wassermair

### GLOBAL 2000

- [global2000.at](http://global2000.at)
- [facebook.com/global2000](https://facebook.com/global2000)
- [twitter.com/global2000](https://twitter.com/global2000)

GLOBAL 2000 is an independent Austrian environmental organization, which has been working since 1982 on controversial social themes to uncover potential hazards for humans and the environment. GLOBAL 2000 acts on well-established scientific findings and by using all democratic means available. We are actively opposed to each and every restriction of democratic freedom, but always in a non-violent and solution-oriented way. GLOBAL 2000 is independent, politically inconvenient and critical of parties, the government and the economy. This guarantees our credibility. GLOBAL 2000 generates public pressure through lobbying, activism and releasing information. Our projects set positive examples of ecological solutions for political decision makers, the economy and the people.

**Represented by:** Patricia Lorenz

## **Radio FRO**

 [fro.at](http://fro.at)

 [facebook.com/RadioFRO](https://facebook.com/RadioFRO)

 [twitter.com/RadioFRO](https://twitter.com/RadioFRO)

Radio FRO is a free, non-commercial community radio station with open access. It is located in Linz, Upper Austria, and has been broadcasting since September 1998. The radio programme is designed by around 350 volunteer radio makers who produce more than 120 radio shows in about 17 different languages. Our focus is on information programmes by NGOs and local initiatives, multilingual radio programmes, a cultural and educational channel, broadcasts for young people as well as senior citizens and a variety of music shows. Radio FRO has been involved in social, cultural and artistic projects since its beginnings.

**Represented by:** Christian Diabl

## **Südwind**

 [suedwind.at](http://suedwind.at)

 [facebook.com/suedwindentwicklungspolitik](https://facebook.com/suedwindentwicklungspolitik)

Südwind runs a diversity of projects reflecting the complexity of North-South relations, culturally, economically, environmentally, politically, and interpersonally. Südwind is committed to environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable development, and campaigns for a narrowing of the gap between North and South.

We are critical of the economics-oriented doctrine of neoliberal globalisation's rich and powerful, and works with other civil society players to develop concepts, outlooks, and visions for a socially just, environmentally sustainable, culturally diverse, and politically participative world.

Südwind's core competencies and key fields of activity are in the area of international development education, which we also call „Global Learning“, in the production of international development media, in the introduction of international development issues and concerns into civil society initiatives, mostly via campaigns and in the compilation of studies on global issues. Our work also includes lobbying relevant political figures and decision-makers about our concerns.

**Represented by:** Konrad Rehling

## **System Change Not Climate Change**

 [systemchange-not-climatechange.at](http://systemchange-not-climatechange.at)

 [facebook.com/systemchangenotclimatechange.A](https://facebook.com/systemchangenotclimatechange.A)

In spring 2015 (prior to the climate change conference COP21) various organisations, initiatives and committed individuals including Finance & Trade Watch, ATTAC, FIAN, ÖBV – Vía Campesina (Peasant Movement Austria) etc., joined forces in Austria to start a movement, using a slogan by the global climate justice movement: “System Change, not Climate Change!”

It has been our aim since to show that climate change is not an isolated issue but rather a crisis that interlinks with the economy and our way of living and thus socio-environmental change is needed in every sector of our lives; agriculture, energy, transport, employment and so on.

This change needs a profound discussion and the engagement of the better part of Austria's civil

society: “To change everything, we need everyone”. More than 120 associations, organisations and initiatives support our position paper “System Change, not Climate Change!”. Four big climate marches were organized by us on the global action days before the COP 21 (28/29th November 2015). Two regional groups of activists formed during the preparations for those actions, two joined later: We have now Vienna, Graz, Salzburg and Carinthia. They are still committed to the cause and meet regularly. Our movement is based on grassroots democracy and consensus decision making. We are organized in regional groups as well as working and content groups, operating both decentrally and Austrian-wide. We link up with other initiatives, support emancipatory groups, organize campaigns and do educational work.

**Represented by:** Pablo Fath Ruiz, Laura Grossmann & Lucille Tillet

## BELGIUM

### **ASBL Communa**

[www.communa.be](http://www.communa.be)  
[facebook.com/communaasbl](https://facebook.com/communaasbl)

Led by five young dreamers looking for meaning in life, Communa was created in 2013 and its mission is to facilitate community life in temporarily vacant buildings. The name refers to the movement of “urban kibbutz”, “comuna okupas” and more generally to the Anglo-Saxon concept of “Commons”. The first community of inhabitants settled in Ixelles, in a huge place of 8.000 m<sup>2</sup>. The enthusiasm generated by this project marks the beginning of an urban nomadic adventure, with a group that continues and expands. More and more formerly deserted buildings are reactivated by Communa. These shared hybrid sites form a network that extends throughout Brussels: Uccle, St-Josse, Schaerbeek, Molenbeek, Brussels-City, Ixelles, Forest.

**Represented by:** Sam Rosenzweig

### **Be.Green**

[facebook.com/Begreenapp](https://facebook.com/Begreenapp)

Be.Green is a project under development which aims at developing an application for personal coaching that will help people adopting more sustainable habits in their daily life, step by step.

**Represented by:** Gaëtan Bruneteau

### **B.L.E.D. - Berchem Local Et Durable/Berchem Lokaal and Duurzaam**

[bled1082.be](http://bled1082.be)  
[facebook.com/bled1082](https://facebook.com/bled1082)

B.L.E.D. is the local transition initiative of the city of Berchem, near Brussels. This citizen project started in 2012 following a call for projects from Brussels Environment. The initial intention was to create links between existing initiatives and to stimulate new projects around four priority themes: collective learning / social links, economic dimension / self-help, natural resources, quality of life. Currently, a dozen projects run in parallel (Repair cafe, Givebox, henhouse, orchard, hive, kitchen garden, bread oven, local exchange system, incredible edibles, basket of vegetables).

**Represented by:** Benoit Galand & Julie Walravens

## **The Brussels Binder**

 [brusselsbinder.org](http://brusselsbinder.org)

 [facebook.com/brusselsbinder](https://facebook.com/brusselsbinder)

 [twitter.com/bxl binder](https://twitter.com/bxl binder)

The Brussels Binder is an organisation fighting against the absence of women in the Brussels policy debate by building an online database of female policy experts and journalists. The Brussels Binder is a common good – a free database consisting of profiles of female experts based in Europe. It covers a multitude of sectors and it is constantly growing. Finally, it is a place where women experts connect and exchange.

Our story began in 2015 as an informal network of women from Brussels based think tanks who came together from time to time on topics of common interest. Out of these meetings grew the idea to build a database of women policy experts to provide a practical tool to ensure greater participation of women in policy shaping and debating. That small consortium rapidly grew to include representatives from all major policy think tanks and NGOs in Brussels and received support from other institutions, including the European Parliament, the European Council, the European Commission and NATO, as well as corporate partners such as Rtesian and Google. After a successful crowdfunding campaign, the Brussels Binder was officially launched in 2017. It is now an ASBL under Belgian law and is led by our Board and a large group of dedicated volunteers.

**Represented by:** Sarah Henkel, Katja Knezevic, Alma Kurtovic, Natalia Macya & Juliane Schmidt

## **Brass'Art**

 [brassartdigitaalcafe.be](http://brassartdigitaalcafe.be)

 [facebook.com/brassartdigitaalcafe](https://facebook.com/brassartdigitaalcafe)

Brass'Art is an artistic and digital brewery in Molenbeek. The idea is to create the first place in Brussels that is all together a brewery, an artistic program and a digital space which embraces Brussels diversity. Brass'Art is a place of temporary occupation, a pilot project that allows to experiment, as an artistic laboratory, a new place of brewing and exchange in Molenbeek.

**Represented by:** Mohamed Ouachen

## **Bruxsel'AIR**

 [bruxselair.org](http://bruxselair.org)

 [facebook.com/bruxselair](https://facebook.com/bruxselair)

 [twitter.com/bruxselair](https://twitter.com/bruxselair)

We are a group of citizens from Brussels who want to breathe cleaner air and to push for change. Brussels is the capital of Europe, but it is also very well known for its traffic jams. In fact, it has been put on notice by the European Commission for its systematic breaches of European air quality standards. Our mission is to better inform and sensitize the population on the theme of air quality, but also to convince politicians to act!

**Represented by:** Delphine Morel

## **CADTM**

 [cadtm.org](http://cadtm.org)

The Committee for the Cancellation of the Third World Debt (CADTM - Comité pour l'annulation de la dette du Tiers Monde) is an international network of individuals and local committees from across Europe and Latin America, Africa and Asia. It was founded in Belgium on 15 March 1990. The network acts in close liaison with other movements and organisations fighting for the same ideals. Its main preoccupation, besides the debt issue, is the planning of activities and radical alternatives for the creation of a world respectful of people's fundamental rights, needs and liberties.

**Represented by:** Jérôme Duval

## **Calame**

 [facebook.com/calameasbl](https://facebook.com/calameasbl)

Calame is a participative and cooperative project between parents, youth and committed citizens that helps with pupils tutoring and parents support. Together, we have decided to join forces and know-how to encourage school attendance by privileging and integrating the contribution of parents from the start. Our motto is respect, listen and share.

**Represented by:** Jemila Achak

## **Citizen Lab**


 [citizenlab.co](http://citizenlab.co)

CitizenLab is a civic engagement platform on which citizens co-create their city. Our solution is the medium for municipalities and all types of governments to make decision-making more democratic, more transparent and more collaborative. CitizenLab aims at making tomorrow's governments more citizen-centric, through user-friendly cloud software, insightful data analytics and focus on mobile.

**Represented by:** Julien Joxe

## **Le Champignon de Bruxelles**

 [lechampignondebruxelles.be](http://lechampignondebruxelles.be)

 [facebook.com/champignondebruxelles](https://facebook.com/champignondebruxelles)

 [twitter.com/champignondebxl](https://twitter.com/champignondebxl)

Everything started with two friends having the idea to grow mushrooms on... coffee. Still unknown to most Europeans, the shiitake is a mushroom with a perfumed taste and remarkable nutritional qualities. It is also the second most consumed mushroom in the world. Our first research started in the summer of 2014. For several months we tried to grow mushrooms on coffee grounds, before understanding that shiitake prefers the sweet joy of beer to the excitement of coffee!

Since then, we are using the brewing residue of barley to grow our shiitake. An original Brussels method to grow exotic mushrooms! It is the perfect union between the Japanese wisdom and the Belgian folklore.

Did you know actually that only 10% of the ingredients used to brew your favourite Belgian beer finish in your glass? In Brussels, tons of organic materials are today untapped ... Now it can be used to grow mushrooms.



Aware that it would take time to develop a completely new and 100% Brussels substrate, we started in parallel a more 'classical' production based on sawdust, with the help of a Dutch partner. Since November 2016, a 750m2 mushroom factory is under construction in the most mythical cellars of the city of Brussels: the cellars of Curreghem. Our production has now doubled and we are growing 750 kg of shiitake a month! The cultivation tests on the brewery waste have been conclusive, we are setting up a production line on a larger scale.

**Represented by:** Camille Séon

### **Civic Innovation Network**

 [civicinnovation.network/site](http://civicinnovation.network/site)

 [facebook.com/civicinnovationnetwork](https://facebook.com/civicinnovationnetwork)

Civic innovation network (CIN) is a collaborative platform, based in Brussels that reinforces urban resilience through the co-creation of a systemic & long term vision for cities. The platform was born in 2016 with the desire to connect the transition actors/projects in Brussels to collaborate and mutualise their resources around an urban mission that in return makes them and the city more resilient.

**Represented by:** Khushboo Balwani and Pierre-Alexandre Klein

### **CNCD - 11.11.11**

 [cncd.be](http://cncd.be)

 [facebook.com/CNCD-111111-118510721519982](https://facebook.com/CNCD-111111-118510721519982)

 [twitter.com/cncd111111](https://twitter.com/cncd111111)

As a platform for around 90 Belgian and French-speaking NGOs and associations committed to international solidarity, the National Center for Development Cooperation, CNCD-11.11.11, is a leading player in Belgium in the field of international solidarity. Through our development projects, awareness-raising and lobbying actions, together with our member NGOs and in collaboration with our partners in the South, we are putting in place concrete and structural solutions to eradicate poverty and defend a fairer world. At the heart of our commitment is the promotion of human rights in all their dimensions, as well as the defense of the environment, in order to guarantee a better future for present and future generations.

**Represented by:** Michel Cermak

### **Collectiv-a**

 [collectiv-a.be](http://collectiv-a.be)

Collectiv-a is a Belgian collective aiming to spread new ways of collective organization in our society. We coach and train people and organizations to help them learn and practices such as self-governance, sociocracy, holacracy, art of hosting.

**Represented by:** Julien Didier

### **Community Land Trust Brussels**

 [communitylandtrust.wordpress.com](http://communitylandtrust.wordpress.com)

A severe housing crisis affects Brussels since the 2000s: doubling of real estate prices in 10 years, a

glaring deficit of social housing, share of income allocated to rents too large, built non-compliant with the rules of health, etc.

Associations, citizens and activists then came together to seek a sustainable response to the housing crisis, while taking into account the multicultural aspect of Brussels. That's how they discovered the Community Land Trust model. Created in the 1970s in the United States by civil rights defenders of black Americans (including Slater King, cousin of Martin Luther King), it was endorsed in the 1980s thanks to the support of Bernie Sanders who saw in this model a future alternative to land price inflation.

**Represented by:** Julien Joxe

### **Coop IT Easy**

[coopiteasy.be](http://coopiteasy.be)  
[facebook.com/coopiteasy](https://facebook.com/coopiteasy)

Coop IT Easy is a cooperative led by informaticians that aims at providing the social economy sector with IT management tools in open source, professional and in a acceptable budget.

**Represented by:** Virginie Dewulf and Robin Keunen

### **Cycad**

[cycad.be](http://cycad.be)

Cycad is a mobility solution that provides you with electric and non-electric bicycles, made of bamboo and made in Belgium.

**Represented by:** Perrine Collin

### **DiEM 25 Belgium**

[diem25.be/accueil](http://diem25.be/accueil)  
[facebook.com/diem25belgium](https://facebook.com/diem25belgium)  
[twitter.com/diem25belgium](https://twitter.com/diem25belgium)

DiEM25 is a pan-European political movement aiming to democratise Europe from the bottom-up. DiEM25's goal is to build a truly democratic, transparent, pluralist, social, sustainable Europe by 2025.

**Represented by:** Francis Wimmer

### **Dune**

[dune-asbl.be](http://dune-asbl.be)  
[facebook.com/duneasbl](https://facebook.com/duneasbl)  
[twitter.com/duneasbl](https://twitter.com/duneasbl)

Dune is an organisation that helps drug users by aiming for harm and risks reduction of precarious environment, providing care and social help, and bringing social innovation.

**Represented by:** Christopher Collin

## **EDORA**

 [edora.org](http://edora.org)

 [twitter.com/EdoraFed](https://twitter.com/EdoraFed)

EDORA is the federation of companies developing products and services geared towards the energy transition. We federate economic actors active in the renewable energy sector (such as wind, photovoltaic, hydroelectric, biomass, biogas ...) but also that of sustainable management of energy and smart grids. Among the members of EDORA are energy producers, installers, equipment manufacturers, project developers, consultancies and associations, as well as various and innovative “energy service” suppliers.

**Represented by:** Geraldine Nethercott

## **Energiris**

 [energiris.coop](http://energiris.coop)

 [facebook.com/Energiriscoop-157346677737855](https://facebook.com/Energiriscoop-157346677737855)

Energiris has become one of the main energy cooperative in Belgium. Founded in April 2014 by only 20 committed citizens, it gathers now 466 cooperators who believe in citizen energy projects. Their € 1.14 million contribution finances close and concrete energy transition projects in 31 sites in and around Brussels, thereby producing Green energy for the equivalent of 1534 households.

**Represented by:** Esther Bollendorff

## **Familles du monde**

 [famillesdumonde.eu](http://famillesdumonde.eu)

Familles du monde aims at facilitating and promoting human development through education, culture, science and health. It participates in the protection, promotion and development of natural environmental heritage through education and sustainable development by promoting intergenerational contacts and intercultural dialogue in Europe and beyond European borders.

**Represented by:** Etienne Devos & Leticia Reyes Sánchez

## **La Ferme du Chant des Cailles**

 [chantdescailles.be](http://chantdescailles.be)

La Ferme du Chant des Cailles is an association led by citizens and professionals who join efforts and are engaged in the development of urban agriculture. Our initiative aims at strengthening social cohesion and promotes environmental awareness and education. Our efforts are shared between different projects, namely market gardening, aromatic and medicinal herbs planting, our sheepfold, a collective garden and a sustainable neighbourhood.

**Represented by:** Marie-Noëlle Stassart & Anne Dirix

## **FruitCollect**

 [fruitcollect.be](http://fruitcollect.be)

 [facebook.com/fruitcollect](https://facebook.com/fruitcollect)

With the help of more than 150 volunteers, FruitCollect picks uneaten fruits from private gardens and redistributes them to people in need. We want to raise awareness about the importance of healthy, sustainable and local food, as well as fight against food waste by harvesting and redistributing these fruits to the poor. FruitCollect is active on two sides: social and ecological!

**Represented by:** Maxime Niego

### **Fruitopia**

 [facebook.com/pg/FruitopiaBrussels](https://facebook.com/pg/FruitopiaBrussels)

Fruitopia is a local initiative to save unsold food from markets in Brussels and turn them into long-lasting products, thereby preventing food waste. It is an ideal way to raise awareness about food waste and the circular economy, but it is above all a delight to discover and taste!

**Represented by:** Simon Ott

### **Molenbike**

 [molenbike.be](http://molenbike.be)

Molenbike is an eco-friendly bike delivery service in Brussels. We focus on transporting of local and eco-friendly products. We are committed to make Brussels greener by promoting a safe and renewed mobility. We are optimizing the distribution chain for a fast, efficient urban last-mile delivery. And we collect also food waste and leftovers for their reproduction in the supply chain.

**Represented by:** Yogan Muller

### **MolenGeek**

Website: [molengeek.com](http://molengeek.com)

MolenGeek first developed as a weekend where participants would come test an idea or an entrepreneurial project. From Friday evening to Sunday evening, participants would reflect and develop their project team, be coached by entrepreneurs coaches and finally present their project to a jury on Sunday evening. But MolenGeek is now more than that, and it has transformed into a coworking space where young people can work on their projects, exchange ideas and be challenged, as well as a coding school that teaches computer language to future entrepreneurs from vulnerable neighborhoods so that they themselves can develop their project technically.

**Represented by:** Julie Foulon & Ibrahim Ouassari

### **Period.**

 [facebook.com/periodbrussels](https://facebook.com/periodbrussels)

Founded in 2015, the feminist solidarity network Period. connects, empowers and educates women\* in Brussels. Period. creates a unique safe space of woman\*hood that is based on mutual respect and provides a refreshing alternative to male-dominated areas. In this space, the network practices intersectional feminism and solidarity and develops strategies on how to deal with everyday sexism. Period. is a grassroots movement that offers and gathers tools for and by every woman\* to directly contribute to change in society. We believe in a feminist and progressive Europe and we want to play our part by shaping it together.

**Represented by:** Inge Chen, Sara Hassan & Juliette Sanchez-Lambert

## **Pilot4DEV**

 [pilot4dev.com](http://pilot4dev.com)

Pilot4DEV is a dynamic network connecting civil society pilot actions, academic initiatives and decision makers. Our aim is to boost sustainable development including the fight against climate change. We promote sustainable urbanization, Eco-tourism, stability/peace, SDGs and Gender Equality. We gather enthusiastic people and we organize events, knowledge exchange and research. Our values are independence, sustainability, and positive impact.

**Represented by:** Pascaline Gaborit & Min Yan

## **RABAD - Réseau des Acteurs Bruxellois pour l'Alimentation Durable**

 [rabad.be](http://rabad.be)

 [facebook.com/reseaulimentationdurable](https://facebook.com/reseaulimentationdurable)

Food is a basic need for each of us. It should also be a basic right. Rabad was created by individuals convinced of the need to change our behaviour and our way of thinking with regards food consumption and production. Its overall goal is to return to a poorly-processed food which would be accessible for all, to an agricultural model respectful of the land and the producer, and to share resources equitably.

The network brings together organizations with different activities, from organic farmer / restaurateur to fair trade shops, NGOs, individuals, etc. A diversity of members that allows Rabad to have a systemic vision and a comprehensive understanding of the different stages of the food production cycle. This cross-fertilization of expertise makes Rabad a reference point for sustainable food in Brussels.

**Represented by:** Rob Renaerts

## **Rescoop**

 [rescoop-wallonie.be](http://rescoop-wallonie.be)

Everywhere in Europe, citizens organize themselves into cooperatives to bring together projects for the production of renewable energy. In Wallonia only, we are a growing network of 8100 individual members who invested more than 11,4 million euros to produce renewable energy, mainly from wind turbines. In 2016, we have produced more than 23 million kWh, enough to supply about 7000 households with electricity.

We want to make our voices heard in the European energy debate. Citizens after all are the ones who will be paying for the transition to a more sustainable energy system. Rescoop empowers them and wants to achieve energy democracy.

**Represented by:** Dirk Vansintjan

## **Toestand**

 [toestand.be](http://toestand.be)

Toestand is an organisation which focuses on the socio-cultural reactivation of vacant spaces in the city. Free (as in free speech, but also as in free coffee) space is scarce, especially in the city. On the other hand, many sites and buildings are abandoned for reasons such as speculation or government

administration issues. Toestand reconciles these two issues by communicating on the issue, facilitating the installation of temporary socio-cultural centres, and organising them ourselves under the term 'Spontaneous Action Zones'.

**Represented by:** Pepijn Kennis

### **Trividend**

 [cycad.be](http://cycad.be)

Trividend was established in 2001 as an initiative of various solidarity financiers within the social economy. They saw the need for unsecured credit and venture capital in the sector, whereby their contribution to Trividend was used as leverage to attract resources from the private sector and the government. Their plan was successful. A good example of this was a public private partnership. In 2010 Trividend was recognized by the Flemish Government as the Flemish Participation Fund for the Social Economy.

**Represented by:** Pieter-Jan Van de Velde

### **Vents du sud**

 [ventsdu sud.be](http://ventsdu sud.be)

 [facebook.com/ventsdu sud.be](https://facebook.com/ventsdu sud.be)

 [twitter.com/VentsduSudSCRL](https://twitter.com/VentsduSudSCRL)

Vents du Sud is an organization with a social purpose. Its goal is to encourage an efficient civic participation in monitoring the decisions taken regarding the management and production of the energy supply, especially in the projects' development and implementation phases.

**Represented by:** Guirec Halfants

## **BULGARIA**

### **BulgarianPresidency.eu**

 [bulgarianpresidency.eu](http://bulgarianpresidency.eu)

BulgarianPresidency.eu is a journalistic project to help the understanding of those who are interested in Bulgaria, in Bulgaria's EU relations and in Bulgaria's Presidency of the Council of the EU (1 January to 30 June 2018). The publisher is Georgi Gotev, a Bulgarian-Belgian journalist based in Brussels, who is also Senior Editor of EURACTIV.com, the media network for Europe. Permanent contributors are Svetoslav Terziev, the foreign policy frontman of Sega daily, Krassen Nikolov, the Mediapool top gun for judicial affairs, and Milena Dimitrova, an insider on almost everything and especially the diaspora.

**Represented by:** Georgi Gotev & Svetoslav Terziev

# CROATIA

## **Brodoto**

 [brodoto.com](http://brodoto.com)  
 [facebook.com/brodotoagency](https://facebook.com/brodotoagency)

We are a social impact agency specialized in campaigns, design and media. We are aiming at empowering civic society in Croatia and beyond in terms of visibility, sustainability and networking. Anything that benefits society - we're into it. From a youth employment campaign in Bangladesh to expanding the number of cyclists in Zagreb, we give voice and ensure sustainable presence to projects that strive to make the world a better place. We are a mix of creatives and rationals obsessed with the desire to leave our mark on the world by doing good. In order to cure that obsession, we've decided to take action by combining our best skills and widest knowledge.

**Represented by:** Marko Gregovic

## **DOOR**

 [door.hr](http://door.hr)  
 [facebook.com/DOOR\\_hr](https://facebook.com/DOOR_hr)  
 [twitter.com/DOOR\\_hr](https://twitter.com/DOOR_hr)

DOOR is a civil society organization of experts devoted to the promotion of sustainable energy development, founded in 2003. Today DOOR has more than 50 members, five members Steering Committee and seven employees. We have successfully implemented more than 75 projects with goals ranging from climate change mitigation, encouraging citizens' participation in sustainable energy policy-making, improving education about renewable energy sources and alleviating energy poverty.

**Represented by:** Ivana Rogulj

## **Green Energy Cooperative (ZEZ)**

 [zez.coop](http://zez.coop)

Green Energy Cooperative's mission is to help people and public sector to use and invest in green energy projects. Green Energy Cooperative (ZEZ) is a cooperative which aims at helping people and the public sector to use and invest in green energy projects. We are helping with the planning, development, management and financing of renewable energy sources and energy efficiency projects. The cooperative collaborates with a few reputable domestic companies in the field of solar energy (thermal and photovoltaic system), internal and public lighting as well as in the field of energy efficiency.

**Represented by:** Zoran Kordic and Stjepan Car

## **POGON**

 [upogoni.org](http://upogoni.org)  
 [facebook.com/PogonZagreb](https://facebook.com/PogonZagreb)

POGON – Zagreb Center for Independent Culture and Youth is a public non-profit institution for

culture, based on a new model of civil–public partnership which was founded by and is managed by the Alliance Operation City and the City of Zagreb. Our mission is to provide a quality and reliable service for production, presentation and affirmation of independent contemporary art and cultural practices, as well as the active participation of youth in cultural and other activities in Zagreb.

**Represented by:** Mariana Rimanić

### **Pokret Otoka / Island Movement**

 [otoci.eu](http://otoci.eu)

Island movement was established on the island of Solta (1000 inhabitants, 9NM from the coast) with the aim of creating working places for islanders and keep the life and create a sustainable future on Croatian islands. In the last two years, we became the most important island network in Croatia, influencing decision-makers, connecting experts and islanders, including youth from islands and building the foundations of a new shape of island economy. Our main focus projects are cultural centres, education, energy and tourism services. We are also very active in the field of maritime goods protection and laws co-creation regarding islands and maritime goods.

**Represented by:** Maja Jurišić

### **Zagreb je NAŠ!**

 [zagrebjenas.hr](http://zagrebjenas.hr)  
 [facebook.com/ZagrebJeNAS](https://facebook.com/ZagrebJeNAS)

Zagreb je NAŠ! (Zagreb is OURS!) is a green-left political platform formed in February 2017 by citizens from all walks of life (activists, cultural workers, trade unionists, social entrepreneurs etc., many of whom have been previously active for years in social movements in Zagreb), with the aim of “building a new politics based on the principles of wide participation, inclusiveness and openness”.

Following the example of Barcelona en Comú, the Platform’s policy agenda includes promoting participatory democracy and returning decision-making powers to citizens, democratizing public institutions, safeguarding quality public services such as schools and kindergartens and stopping the privatisation of public utilities such as the waste management system. The Platform envisions the future development of Zagreb as a socially just, green and multicultural city and openly endorses Zagreb’s LGBT, migrant, Roma and other minority groups.

In April 2017, the Platform formed a coalition with four left and green parties in Zagreb, creating for the first time an alliance of progressive political organizations in Zagreb. In their very first municipal elections held in Zagreb in May 2017, the coalition won 7,6 % of votes (4 seats) in Zagreb City Assembly, 21 seats in city districts and also 41 seats in local councils, with many of the elected representatives being young persons who have previously not been engaged in institutional politics.

**Represented by:** Tomislav Domes, Dražen Cepić, Marija Krnić, Frana Laća & Tomislav Vukoja



# CZECH REPUBLIC

## Institute for Democracy 21

 [idf21.org](http://idf21.org)

We envision a society where people are motivated to participate in the choices that affect their lives - where they live, work, and play. Our mission is to create a fair and simple tool that will enhance any kind of decision-making, powered by the effect of more votes, transparent and accessible to all. We have therefore developed a new voting method fit for the 21st century.

The Democracy 21 voting method allows you to choose multiple options and cast “minus-votes” against options you disfavor. This enables voters to express a richer range of preferences, and reveals points of consensus and controversy - a significant advantage over traditional single-vote polls, which simply show winners and losers.

We have used this new voting method during the last presidential election in January 2018. During the whole duration of the project, we were able to reach out to almost 3 million unique users online and we gathered more than 320 000 voters in our voting app.

**Represented by:** Jonáš Vnouček & Jitka Pánková

## Festival Svobody

 [festivalsvobody.cz](http://festivalsvobody.cz)

 [facebook.com/pg/festivalsvobody](https://facebook.com/pg/festivalsvobody)

The Freedom Festival – Festival Svobody – is an umbrella platform for events organized by various initiatives to recall the events of the Velvet Revolution. The platform was created for the 25th anniversary of 1989 and restored in 2016 by the merger of all major Prague events related to the anniversary of November 17th. Other cities such as Brno, Karlovy Vary, Zlín and others have joined the festival.

**Represented by:** Petr Laznovsky

## Institute for Active Citizenship

 [aktivniobcanstvi.cz](http://aktivniobcanstvi.cz)

 [facebook.com/aktivniobcanstvi](https://facebook.com/aktivniobcanstvi)

We are looking for and expanding ways to increase the number of active citizens in society.

An active citizen can only be a person who, in his life, gets the feeling he can change something. In order to be able to realize this change, they must not only realize their ability to participate actively in shaping the world and society but also gain practical skills. We are looking for people who are on this path, and we support them in their goals. That's why projects under the roof of the institute are so diverse: they reflect the actual needs of the people we meet.

In the recent years, we helped in particular creating synergies between citizens' initiatives, progressive politicians, journalists and all those who did not agree with the restrictive and exclusively security-tuned migration policy of the Czech Republic. But we have also been hosting the largest networking meeting for non-profit and business for three years. The aim is to contribute to the interconnection

of the non-profit sector and the business, thus helping to solve social problems more effectively in the Czech Republic.

**Represented by:** Klara Berg

### **Konsent**

 [konsent.cz](http://konsent.cz)

 [facebook.com/kdyztonechce](https://facebook.com/kdyztonechce)

We study, work, create. At the end of 2015, we came to the conclusion that we do not like the way the Czech society approaches sexual violence. Since then we have been working on bringing a change in our Czech society. We organize public debates, shoot videos, work with organizations with a similar focus, bring the theme of rape into the media and try to make the world more enjoyable for all without any difference.

**Represented by:** Johanna Nejedlova

### **Limity jsme my / We are the limits**

 [limityjsmemy.cz](http://limityjsmemy.cz)

 [facebook.com/limityjsmemy](https://facebook.com/limityjsmemy)

 [twitter.com/LimityJsmeMy](https://twitter.com/LimityJsmeMy)

We are an open grassroots civic movement against coal mining and coal burning. We bring together individuals from both activist and non-activist groups around the Czech Republic. We were created in 2015 in the wake of a governmental proposal to break the brown coal mining limits in Northern Bohemia, which would mean, in its worst form, demolition of towns of Horní Jiřetín and Černice. During the 2015 campaign for keeping the mining limits, we organized together with thousands of people around the country and stood against breaking the coal mining limits in the Bílina mine and ČSA in Northern Bohemia.

**Represented by:** Antonie Bernadová, Anna Bromova & Václav Mach

### **Pirátská strana – Czech Pirates**

 [pirati.cz](http://pirati.cz)

 [facebook.com/ceska.piratska.strana](https://facebook.com/ceska.piratska.strana)

 [twitter.com/PiratskaStrana](https://twitter.com/PiratskaStrana)

Pirátská strana occasionally raises the idea of party rebels. However, our name is well-founded. Pirate parties began to emerge across Europe in response to the Swedish Pirate Bay case of 2009. The founders of TPB, the world's largest torrents database, were arrested. The title refers to the demand for copyright reform. We do not want artists to prepare for rights, we want to make them easier to handle and give freedom of choice. After seven years of existence, mainly thanks to volunteer work, we became the third largest political force in Czech Republic, with 22 out of 200 deputies in the Chamber, a Mayor in Mariánské Lázně, a representative in Prague, Brno and in municipalities throughout the republic. We are alert to corruption scandals, we publish videos and records from local councils, we organize free culture festivals, and we fight the state's attempt to spy on citizens or censorship on Czech Television.

**Represented by:** Ladislav Koubek, Mikuláš Peksa & Vit Simral

## **Zachraň jídlo! / Save Food**

 [zachranjidlo.cz](http://zachranjidlo.cz)

 [facebook.com/zachranjidlo](https://facebook.com/zachranjidlo)

 [twitter.com/zachranjidlo](https://twitter.com/zachranjidlo)

Zachraň jídlo! (Save Food) is an organisation aiming at informing the public debate in Czech Republic about the negative impact of food waste on the environment. We organise happenings, campaigns and focus on networking between all actors in the production, distribution and consumption of food, raise awareness about the social, economic and environmental impacts of food waste.

Our first visible and successful event was Feeding the 1000, which took place in September 2013. We organised a public feast on Wenceslas Square in the very centre of Prague, using 450 kg of ingredients which would have otherwise been thrown away due to the esthetical demands of the supermarkets or because of their expiration date.

Feeding the 1000, was the first of its kind in the country. It was a huge success and helped to bring attention on the issue of food waste which affects everyone. We also managed to raise attention on the 15% value-added tax (VAT) which must be paid by merchants when donating food to the food banks. In the course of the year that has passed since the Feeding, this issue was often broached in the media and by the experts. In December 2014, the General Directorate of Finance issued a document allowing the basis of VAT on food donated to the food bank to be close to zero or even zero. In fact, this decision meant that the food donation tax would be abolished.

**Represented by:** Anna Strejcová

## **DENMARK**

### **UngEnergi**

 [ve.dk/hvem-er-vi/frivilligplatform/ungenergi](http://ve.dk/hvem-er-vi/frivilligplatform/ungenergi)

 [facebook.com/UngEnergi](https://facebook.com/UngEnergi)

UngEnergi is a network of young people working to gather an entire generation to stop climate change and work together for a sustainable world. UngEnergi is part of the Danish NGO 'VedvarendeEnergi' (Sustainable Energy). UngEnergi focuses on activities that show to young Danish people (18-35 years old) how we can reduce CO2 emissions, increase the use of renewable energy sources and responsible use of planet resources. With our activities, we will show you how to make a difference for a sustainable world. Today, UngEnergi has over 100 members, 150 volunteers and local departments in six of the country's regions.

**Represented by:** Maria Bodin, Anne-Sophie W. Frausing, Freja Kristoffersen, Tobias Nørkjær Holmgaard, Morten Risom, Frederick Stender

### **COPACC**

 [copacc.org](http://copacc.org)

COPACC is an association of current and former students of the MSc in Climate Change program, which aims to promote the MSc program and in general education on climate change. COPACC also tries to create and expand a professional network among individuals who work in the area of climate

change and how to deal with its impacts.

**Represented by:** Josefine Nytofte, Anastasios Chatzieftheriou

## ESTONIA

### ARU TV / Valgevene Uus Tee

 [aru.tv](http://aru.tv)

 [facebook.com/arutelevision](https://facebook.com/arutelevision)

ARU TV is a Russian language web TV channel and news site based in Tallinn. The project is aimed to combat Kremlin propaganda and targets people in Russia and the Russian-speaking population of Belarus, Ukraine and the Baltic States. ARU TV employs experts in the field of media and communications from Russia and other post-Soviet countries. The project is led by Belarusian internet producer Pavel Marozau who was granted political asylum in Estonia after Belarusian authorities had tried to bring charges against him in the Multclub case. Famous Russian journalist Artemy Troitsky has been working with ARU TV from the very beginning. He hosts there an original show called Multi-Colored News.

**Represented by:** Pavel Marozau

## EUROPE

### Asylos

 [asylos.eu](http://asylos.eu)

 [facebook.com/asylos.research](https://facebook.com/asylos.research)

 [twitter.com/asylos\\_](https://twitter.com/asylos_)

Asylos is a pan-European network of volunteers who find vital information to help refugees fleeing war, violence, and persecution claim their right to asylum. Asylos volunteers research information to help asylum seekers claim their right to asylum. We investigate human rights violations in the countries of origin and other facts related to individual's protection claim. Over the past six years, we have produced more than 300 research notes to support protection claims.

We envision a future where a network like ours will no longer be needed. A future where refugees and their counsel have equal access to information held by governments. Where legal aid pays for uncovering facts that asylum seekers must prove to be granted the right to stay. Where ignorance and prejudice have receded from our society and institutions. Where Europe's old fear of migration gives way to tales of courage and opportunity. Where refugees, some of the most vulnerable people amongst us, are met with respect rather than suspicion, with humanity rather than hostility. Through our research, we empower refugees to defend their rights. By searching for facts, we work to make the legal system more just. Case by case, we mobilise citizens across Europe to defend the right to asylum.

**Represented by:** Emanuela Colaci

## **Blueprint for Free Speech**

 [blueprintforfreespeech.net](http://blueprintforfreespeech.net)

Blueprint for Free Speech is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to improving 'freedoms' law around the globe. Our areas of research include public interest disclosure (whistleblowing), freedom of speech, defamation, censorship, right to publish, shield law, media law, Internet freedom (net neutrality), intellectual property and freedom of information.

**Represented by:** Veronika Nad

## **Caritas Europa**

 [caritas.eu](http://caritas.eu)

 [facebook.com/CaritasEuropa](https://facebook.com/CaritasEuropa)

Caritas Europa is the network of Caritas organisations on the European continent. The united strength of its 49 members, present in 46 European countries, makes of Caritas Europa one of the major social actors in Europe. Caritas Europa has a heartfelt commitment to analyse and fight poverty and social exclusion. The network promotes true integral human development, social justice and sustainable social systems. Therefore Caritas Europa advocates for and with people in need in order to transform society into a more just and inclusive civilisation. Caritas Europa opposes every form of oppression and is committed to justice.

**Represented by:** Shannon Pfohman and Peter Verhaeghe

## **Clearcase**

 [clearcase.eu](http://clearcase.eu)

 [facebook.com/caneurope](https://facebook.com/caneurope)

 [twitter.com/CANEurope](https://twitter.com/CANEurope)

We are a specialist consultancy that helps NGOs and activists to define, measure and increase their advocacy impact. We founded Clearcase in 2011, and since then we've worked for people and organisations fighting for a variety of causes. Like abolishing female genital mutilation, raising awareness of climate change, providing energy to some of Africa's poorest people, and reforming our banking system. Advocating for a positive change? Let's talk about it and help you scale up your impact.

**Represented by:** Roshan Di Ruppò

## **Climate Action Network**

 [caneurope.org](http://caneurope.org)

 [facebook.com/caneurope](https://facebook.com/caneurope)

 [twitter.com/CANEurope](https://twitter.com/CANEurope)

Climate Action Network (CAN) Europe is Europe's largest coalition working on climate and energy issues. With over 140 member organisations in more than 30 European countries, representing over 44 million citizens, CAN Europe works to prevent dangerous climate change and promote sustainable climate and energy policy in Europe.

CAN Europe empowers civil society organisations to influence the design and development of

effective climate change policy in Europe, both in the European Union as well as in its Member States and in European countries outside the EU.

**Represented by:** Joanna Flisowska, Rachel Simon & Zanna Vanrenterghem

### **The ECI Campaign**

 [citizens-initiative.eu](http://citizens-initiative.eu)

 [facebook.com/citizens.initiative](https://facebook.com/citizens.initiative)

The ECI Campaign is an organization exclusively working for the successful introduction and implementation of the European Citizens' Initiative right – the world's first tool of participatory, transnational and digital democracy. We are independent, neutral in policy, non-profit and non-EU financed. Our work is carried by the invaluable input of volunteers, like-minded partners, donors and a small coordination team. The ECI Campaign is a grassroots coalition of concerned citizens, pro-democracy activists and over 100 European NGOs dedicated to the creation and campaigner-friendly implementation of a European Citizens' Initiative right.

**Represented by:** Maarten de Groot and Simona Pronckutė

### **Europe Beyond Coal**

 [beyond-coal.eu](http://beyond-coal.eu)

People across Europe overwhelmingly want the health, environmental, and employment benefits that come with switching from dirty coal, oil and gas to a universally accessible, affordable and renewably powered energy system and energy efficiency. National and regional leaders must get serious and develop fair and equitable transition plans that enable a Europe wide rapid coal phase out by 2030, while supporting communities and workers. Together, we will ensure that this happens. A coal free Europe is inevitable, and coming fast. The sooner it happens the better the future will be for us all.

**Represented by:** Darek Urbaniak

### **European Climate Foundation**

 [europeanclimate.org](http://europeanclimate.org)

The European Climate Foundation (ECF) – a 'foundation of foundations' – was established in early 2008 as a major philanthropic initiative to help Europe foster the development of a low-carbon society and play an even stronger international leadership role to mitigate climate change. In a low-carbon society, citizens would live and work in energy efficient buildings with intelligent heating and cooling systems. People would drive electric and hybrid cars and live in cleaner cities with less air pollution and better public transport. Industries would be characterised by high levels of efficiency and lower emissions. Besides cutting the vast majority of its emissions, Europe would reduce its use of key resources like oil and gas, raw materials, land and water. This, in turn, would lessen dependency on energy imports and contribute to increased economic stability and security of supply.

**Represented by:** Rannveig van Iterson

### **European Public Service Unions**

 [epsu.org](http://epsu.org)

 [facebook.com/EPSEUnions](https://facebook.com/EPSEUnions)

 [twitter.com/EPSUnions](https://twitter.com/EPSUnions)

We are the voice of 8 million European public service workers. We bring together trade unions from across Europe and are mobilising for action and change in the direction of another - more social - Europe. Public services are affected by the big issues facing our societies and are under increasing strain from budget cuts, liberalisation, austerity, low pay and poor working conditions. EPSU is fighting against tax avoidance by multinationals to ensure sustainable public finances. We are making the case for cast-iron exclusions of public services from trade deals like TTIP, CETA and TISA. We are standing up for the rights of migrants, both in the workplace and in the services our members deliver. Women represent the majority of our members and gender equality is at the heart of everything we do. From negotiating with employers on women's rights in the workplace to exposing the scandal of the gender pay gap, EPSU is taking action for real equality.

**Represented by:** Nadja Slason & Pablo Sanchez

### **European Trade Union Institute**

 [etui.org](http://etui.org)  
 [twitter.com/ETUI\\_org](https://twitter.com/ETUI_org)

The European Trade Union Institute is the independent research and training centre of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) which itself affiliates European trade unions into a single European umbrella organisation. The ETUI places its expertise – acquired in particular in the context of its links with universities, academic and expert networks – in the service of workers' interests at European level and of the strengthening of the social dimension of the European Union.

**Represented by:** Aida Ponce Del Castillo, Denis Grégoire & Maria Jespen

### **European Women's Lobby**

 [womenlobby.org](http://womenlobby.org)  
 [facebook.com/EuropeanWomen](https://facebook.com/EuropeanWomen)  
 [twitter.com/EuropeanWomen](https://twitter.com/EuropeanWomen)

The European Women's Lobby (EWL) brings together the women's movement in Europe to influence the general public and European Institutions in support of women's human rights and equality between women and men. We are the largest European umbrella network of women's associations representing a total of more than 2000 organisations in all EU Member States and Candidate Countries, as well as 19 European-wide organisations representing the diversity of women and girls in Europe.

**Represented by:** Joanna Maycock

### **Friends of the Earth Europe**

 [foeeurope.org](http://foeeurope.org)  
 [facebook.com/FoEEurope](https://facebook.com/FoEEurope)  
 [twitter.com/foeeurope](https://twitter.com/foeeurope)

Despite of its commitment to sustainable development, the EU is still falling short of the objectives of reducing the ecological footprint of its citizens and liberating ecological space for development in the global South. For this reason in 2017 FoEE started working on 'sufficiency': a strategy of limiting consumption of energy and natural resources in absolute terms since environmental problems cannot be tackled solely by technical solutions focusing on efficiency improvements. The debate on



sufficiency has long been confined to academic and civil society circles without any real engagement with decision makers at the EU level. To bring this new concept in the policy arena, we organized a conference in the heart of Brussels that brought together representatives from the EU institutions, NGOs, and think tanks. The debates that took place during the conference laid the foundations for the drafting of the booklet “Sufficiency: moving beyond the gospel of eco-efficiency” that will be published in March 2018.

**Represented by:** Isabel Felino, Francesca Gater & Riccardo Mastini

### **Jesuit Refugee Service Europe**

 [jrseurope.org](http://jrseurope.org)

Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) is an international Catholic organisation with a mission to accompany, serve and advocate for the rights of refugees and others who are forcibly displaced. The Jesuits founded JRS in 1980 in response to the plight of the Vietnamese boat people. The then-Superior General of the Jesuits, Fr Pedro Arrupe, was deeply moved by their suffering and felt compelled to respond. Today, ‘boat people’ have a new destination. This is Europe, which has surrounded itself with a blockade of restrictive policies and patrols to keep them away. JRS Europe advocates for the respectful and fair treatment of all migrants affected by European policy, and defends their access to procedures that guarantee the basic rights enshrined in international law. A regional office based in Brussels advocates at European Union level and ensures that policymakers hear refugees’ voices.

**Represented by:** Claudia Bonamini

### **NewsMavens**

 [newsmavens.com](http://newsmavens.com)

 [facebook.com/NewsMavens](https://facebook.com/NewsMavens)

 [twitter.com/NMavens](https://twitter.com/NMavens)

NewsMavens.com is a news roundup created by women journalists from all over the EU. Because women represent only on average 27% of top management in European news rooms, and because the reporting on Europe has become exclusive to English speaking countries, we aim to curate news about current events from each EU country from the under-represented, female perspective. We compile a daily recap of the most important news from Europe and a weekend review of the most relevant stories. Every now and then we will catch up with an international woman of influence and ask her to tell us about the stories that matter most to her.

**Represented by:** Lea Berriault

### **Open Budgets Europe**

 [openbudgets.eu](http://openbudgets.eu)

 [facebook.com/openbudgets](https://facebook.com/openbudgets)

 [twitter.com/openbudgetseu](https://twitter.com/openbudgetseu)

Open Budgets provides an open-source software framework designed for public administrations, citizens, NGOs, media organisation, public services companies, and stakeholders working with fiscal data. We are working for more openness and transparency in the way public money is spent. The current lack of open budget and open transaction data makes it very hard for citizens and other stakeholders to get an overview on public spending. More openness and transparency can act as a disincentive to corruption. We have also developed a Participatory Budgeting Platform to address



some of the problems identified by citizens and public administrations. The platform is designed to enable real participatory experiences and decision-making processes, providing solutions that are easy to implement by all stakeholders involved, thus strengthening the democratic process. It has already been implemented in municipalities in the Aragon region in Spain and is set up to be further developed.

**Represented by:** Anna Alberts

### **Positive Money / QE4People campaign**

 [positivemoney.org](http://positivemoney.org) & [qe4people.eu](http://qe4people.eu)

Positive Money is a non-profit research and campaign organisation working to make the money and banking system serve a fair, democratic, and sustainable economy. Positive Money was founded because no one was talking about how banks create money, and the role this played in the 2008 financial crisis. We quickly built a following of ordinary people, economists and city insiders who recognised that you can't understand many of the problems with our economy without looking at how money is created. When we started in 2010, money reform wasn't widely talked about. Since then, we've come out of the fringes and into mainstream debate.

In 2016, we launched our QE4People campaign to react to the ineffective and undemocratic Quantitative Easing program launched by the European Central Bank in March 2015. The program involves creating €60 billion each month. The ECB uses this newly created money to buy government bonds and other financial assets, mostly from the private sector. Quantitative Easing works by pushing money into the financial markets, in the hope that some of the new money will 'trickle down' to the real, non-financial economy, through extra spending by the wealthy, or through money creation by private banks – when they make loans. With over 18 million people currently unemployed, and youth unemployment over 40% in Spain, Greece and Italy, the Eurozone does not need QE for the financial sector. It needs money to be injected directly into the real economy instead, so it can improve people's lives by boosting employment and spending.

**Represented by:** Rachida Islam, Stan Jourdan & Ludovic Suttor-Sorel

### **Rescoop Europe**

 [rescoop.eu](http://rescoop.eu)  
 [facebook.com/rescoop.eu](https://facebook.com/rescoop.eu)  
 [twitter.com/rescoopeu](https://twitter.com/rescoopeu)

[REScoop.eu](http://REScoop.eu) is the European federation for renewable energy cooperatives. We are a growing network of 1,500 European REScoops and their 1,000,000 citizens. Renewable energy cooperatives (REScoops) can make an impact in the area of renewable energy. By involving citizens in the energy debate, we are increasing the social acceptance of new renewable energy installations and are speeding up the creation of local and citizen-controlled renewable energy projects.

**Represented by:** Joshua Roberts

### **Seas at Risk**

 [seas-at-risk.org](http://seas-at-risk.org)  
 [twitter.com/SeasAtRisk](https://twitter.com/SeasAtRisk)

Seas At Risk is an umbrella organisation of environmental NGOs from across Europe that promotes

ambitious policies for marine protection at European and international level.

**Represented by:** Björn Stockhausen

### **Slow Food**

 [slowfood.com](http://slowfood.com)

Slow Food is a global, grassroots organization, founded in 1989 to prevent the disappearance of local food cultures and traditions, counteract the rise of fast life and combat people's dwindling interest in the food they eat, where it comes from and how our food choices affect the world around us. Since its beginnings, Slow Food has grown into a global movement involving millions of people in over 160 countries, working to ensure everyone has access to good, clean and fair food. Slow Food believes food is tied to many other aspects of life, including culture, politics, agriculture and the environment. Through our food choices we can collectively influence how food is cultivated, produced and distributed, and as a result bring about great change. Marta is the director of the Brussels office of Slow Food.

**Represented by:** Marta Messa

### **Solidarity Watch**

Solidarity Watch is a recent non-profit organisation formed by activists and social science researchers. The aim of the organisation is both to launch a collective reflexion on the notion and the modalities of organisation of solidarity and to document and analyse the phenomenon of criminalisation, repression and/or deterrence of solidarity (including what has been named "délit de solidarité" in French) in European societies. The organisation has organized several gatherings on that topic and took part in local mobilisations - mainly related to solidarity with migrants - its activities concentrate on the construction of a website as a toolbox and a platform of exchange, to be opened in mid-2018.

**Represented by:** Sarah Sajn

### **The Commons Network**

 [commonsnetwork.eu](http://commonsnetwork.eu)  
 [twitter.com/commonsnetwork](https://twitter.com/commonsnetwork)

The Commons Network is a civil society initiative and think-tank working on a local, national and European level. We feel a new balance favoring the common good needs be found in many different spheres of society. The challenge is to create political will and institutions that facilitate and allow for this. The commons approach allows for a comprehensive way to confront this challenge. The Commons Network promotes access to knowledge and other social and ecological causes from the perspective of the commons. We engage in policy formulation as well as public debate, promoting the common good

through commons-based solutions. We cooperate with civic initiatives, translating ideas and concerns into broader policy initiatives.

**Represented by:** Thomas de Groot

## **Young European Federalists**

 [jef.eu](http://jef.eu)  
 [facebook.com/JEFEurope](https://facebook.com/JEFEurope)  
 [twitter.com/JEF\\_Europe](https://twitter.com/JEF_Europe)

Young European Federalists (JEF) is a pan European youth network working for a more integrated, tolerant and united Europe. We are composed of sections in 35 European countries and involve about 15000 members. We organise a wide range of activities. Notable activities in 2018 are a European project on diversity in European volunteering, a 2 year project on European education in schools and a cycle of seminars on endangered democracies and civic space.

**Represented by:** Valentin Dupouey

## **Young Pirates of Europe**

 [young-pirates.eu](http://young-pirates.eu)  
 [facebook.com/youngpiratesEU](https://facebook.com/youngpiratesEU)  
 [twitter.com/YoungPiratesEU](https://twitter.com/YoungPiratesEU)

We are Young Pirates of Europe, the umbrella organisation of young European digital rights and Pirate organisations with more than 7 000 members all over Europe. The prime goal of Young Pirates of Europe is technology improving the lives of everyone on this planet.

We believe that young people will be the driving force in achieving this goal and set out to enable them in fighting for a fair distribution of power on- and offline, for free and open participation as well as access to knowledge, science and culture for everyone.

**Represented by:** Bernard Hayden & Henry Winckle

# **FINLAND**

## **Limu Radio**

 [limuradio.fi](http://limuradio.fi)  
 [facebook.com/limuradio](https://facebook.com/limuradio)  
 [twitter.com/limuradio](https://twitter.com/limuradio)

Limu Radio is one of the only all-year-round college radio stations in Finland, with live and pre-recorded shows by students and other interested and passionate community members wanting to make experimental radio. Limu Radio was founded in 2013 with the aim to offer alternatives for mainstream media and chances to learn a whole bunch of skills and stuff needed while on it. It is best described as a freeform streaming radio with music from house to hip hop, from jazz to cheesy soul, from punk to pounding hard rock. Limu Radio is a community media and as such an important vessel in providing especially the youth a chance to get their voices actively heard and feel included.

**Represented by:** Ari Hautaniemi

## **RePack**

[www.originalrepack.com](http://www.originalrepack.com)  
[facebook.com/OriginalRePack](https://facebook.com/OriginalRePack)  
[twitter.com/OriginalRePack](https://twitter.com/OriginalRePack)

RePack is an returnable packaging service which enables the return and reuse of delivery packaging for online retailers and their users, thereby saving the world from trash. It brings people and retailers together in a loop of good. A super simple solution to an ever-growing problem. RePack service reduces CO2 emissions by 80%, packaging is made from recycled materials and returns are handled by social workers associations. It is the easiest way to implement circular economy in e-commerce.

**Represented by:** Jonne Hellgren

## **FRANCE**

### **Fluicity**

[www.flui.city](http://www.flui.city)  
[facebook.com/fluicity](https://facebook.com/fluicity)  
[twitter.com/fluicity](https://twitter.com/fluicity)

Fluicity was born out of an observation: European democracies are going through a difficult period and the figures are self-explanatory. In France, 2017 was marked by record abstentions in all elections, in Belgium more than 60% of the Walloons and residents of Brussels say they no longer trust their governments. This trend is supported in most Western democracies and is growing among young people, who increasingly abstain in favour of other forms of citizen participation. Nuit Debout (literally a "Night Standing"), the March 12th Movement, Podemos, Les indignés (The Outraged movement) incensed them. All these signs are indicators that it is high time to modernize our models of government, and to revise the very notion of power to make it more open, more collective and more decentralized; in other words, more effective. It is with this in mind that on July 2015, we founded Fluicity, a civic technology that aims to re-engage European citizens on a large scale in their local policies, without waiting for the next elections.

**Represented by:** Julie de Pimodan and Nicolas de Briey

### **Lallab**

[www.lallab.fr](http://www.lallab.fr)  
[facebook.com/AssoLallab](https://facebook.com/AssoLallab)  
[twitter.com/AssoLallab](https://twitter.com/AssoLallab)

Lallab aims to give Muslim women in France a voice. As a new media, we give the chance for Muslim women who are at the heart of racist and sexist oppressions to be heard. We are challenging Muslim women's narratives. We are shaping a world in which women freely choose the weapons of their emancipation. We are dreaming of a French society where every woman can be herself without fear of being judged, discriminated against or abused.

**Represented by:** Attika Trabelsi

## **Vincent Liegey / Degrowth movement & Cargonomia**

 [projet-decroissance.net](http://projet-decroissance.net) & [cargonomia.hu](http://cargonomia.hu)

 [facebook.com/vincent.liegey](https://facebook.com/vincent.liegey)

 [twitter.com/vinczedegrowth](https://twitter.com/vinczedegrowth)

Vincent Liegey is co-author of A Degrowth Project (Utopia, 2013), spokesperson of the French Degrowth movement, engineer and interdisciplinary researcher and coordinator of the Degrowth inspired Cargonomia social cooperative, centre for sustainable logistical solutions and local food distribution by cargobikes in Budapest. Coordinator of the international Degrowth conference (the next ones will take place in Mexico City, Malmö and in the European Parliament in 2018).

Cargonomia is the formalisation of pre-existing cooperation between three socially and environmentally conscious small enterprises operating in or near Budapest, Hungary. Partners within the project include Cyclonomia Do it Yourself Bicycle Social Cooperative, Zsamboki Biokert, an organic vegetable farm and sustainable agriculture community education centre which distributes weekly vegetable boxes to food communities in Budapest, and Kantaa, a self organized bike messenger and delivery company.

### **Qwant**

 [qwant.com](http://qwant.com)

Based and designed in Europe, Qwant is the first search engine which protects its users freedoms and ensures that the digital ecosystem remains healthy. Our keywords: privacy and neutrality.

**Represented by:** Guillaume Champeau

### **Radio campus France**

 [radiocampus.fr](http://radiocampus.fr)

 [facebook.com/radiocampus](https://facebook.com/radiocampus)

 [twitter.com/radiocampus](https://twitter.com/radiocampus)

Radio Campus is a French national network of non-profit radios powered by youth citizens. While producing quality content from scratch, Radio Campus radios are also places to learn, share, imagine, discover. We also try to involved other European countries non-profit media to use the European angle in order to get more familiar with Europe and its organizations and bring the voice of civil society to the EU institutions (e.g. broadcasting live from Parliament).

**Represented by:** Nicolas Horber & Charles-Henri Despeignes

### **REFEDD (Réseau Français des Etudiants pour le Développement Durable)**

 [refedd.org](http://refedd.org)

 [facebook.com/Refedd](https://facebook.com/Refedd)

 [twitter.com/REFEDD](https://twitter.com/REFEDD)

REFEDD is the French Network of Students for Sustainable Development. It is a network of student associations that carry out projects on sustainable development such as food, biodiversity, climate, waste, etc. Our objectives: to have 100% students sensitized and committed in terms of sustainable development and 100% sustainable campuses! We are convinced that students are an essential part of the change for a better tomorrow.

**Represented by:** Samuel Juhel

## **Resome (Réseau Études Supérieures et Orientation des Migrant.e.s et Exilé.e.s)**

 [resome.org](http://resome.org)

 [facebook.com/resomefr](https://facebook.com/resomefr)

 [twitter.com/RESOMEIDF](https://twitter.com/RESOMEIDF)

Resome has been created to help refugees and migrants continuing their study and learning French. It is a collective of students, teachers, solidarity people, associations and informal groups working alongside refugees and migrants to promote access to higher education and facilitate the orientation of all exiled students, as well as the learning of French for all. We also work with other organizations to raise awareness on the migrants' situation in France and we try to lobby in favour of truly welcoming policy towards migrants.

**Represented by:** Pauline Rapilly Ferniot

## **The Social Good Accelerator**

 [socialgoodaccelerator.org](http://socialgoodaccelerator.org)

 [twitter.com/SocialGoodAccel](https://twitter.com/SocialGoodAccel)

In Europe, social entrepreneurs and associations are key players in maintaining our social model. The digital transition is a decisive factor in the success of their mission for promoting the greater good. Digital tools could significantly improve their impact, but a lack of resources limits their equipment and the training of employees and volunteers. Technology companies can contribute to this challenge; organisations working for the common good deserve to be more effective. The Social Good Accelerator first sent a delegation of French and Portuguese social entrepreneurs to the Web Summit 2017 in Lisbon to showcase and promote a more inclusive and social digital transition and improve solidarity and partnerships between tech companies and social good organisations. We are now launching a European pledge for a more inclusive, digital Europe, with social innovation as a marker.

**Represented by:** Jeanne Bretecher

## **Terre de liens**

 [terredeliens.org](http://terredeliens.org)

 [facebook.com/terredeliens](https://facebook.com/terredeliens)

 [twitter.com/terredeliens](https://twitter.com/terredeliens)

Terre de Liens was born in 2003 from the convergence of several movements linking popular education, organic and biodynamic agriculture, ethical finance, solidarity economy and rural development. To enable citizens and peasants to mobilize and act on the ground, the movement has invented new tools to work to stop the disappearance of land and facilitate access to agricultural land for new farmer facilities. These tools are within everyone's reach, so that everyone can become involved in the future of our farms and agriculture.

Terre de Liens operates through three different entities: an association raising awareness about land grabbing in France and in Europe and accompanying peasant in their access to land; a foundation which has the right to collect donations (money, land, farms, etc.), uses them to buy lands that are at risk of losing their agricultural use and guarantees environmentally friendly agricultural practices on these lands in the very long term; and a real estate company which is open to the public and allows everyone to invest in a project with a high social and ecological value. The accumulated capital of

this company is used to purchase farms that are then rented to farmers engaged in local, organic and human-scale farming.

**Represented by:** Sjoerd Wartena

## **ZEA**

 [zea.earth](http://zea.earth)

 [facebook.com/zea.earth](https://facebook.com/zea.earth)

ZEA is fighting against the pollution in the Ocean and the red mud since 2011. We organize nonviolent actions, lawsuits, and petitions. We are blocking offshore oil licenses (or useless projects related to offshore oil exploitation) and we do lobbying to protect the Ocean. Our past struggles have allowed us to obtain with our partners a Moratorium on the research and exploitation of hydrocarbons in the French Mediterranean coast and on the French Atlantic coast.

ZEA also plays an institutional role, as it participates in the development of the global governance of the oceans, drafting amendments taken by the European Parliament that will be put to vote very soon. The plea was drafted in several languages: the Universal Declaration of the Ocean, which has been presented to the UN and the European Parliament and which allows to define another form of international governance for the oceans based on the commons.

We also like to raise awareness and federate in the conviviality. Right now we are preparing the launch of a beer to finance our action to protect the sea. The film Ocean, birth of a Nation can be watched here: [vimeo.com/158348110](https://vimeo.com/158348110)

**Represented by:** François Pecqueur

## **GERMANY**

### **ADFC Berlin**

 [adfc-berlin.de](http://adfc-berlin.de)

We are the Berlin branch of the German Cycling Association ADFC. We try to implement the first German mobility law that specifically addresses the needs for Berlin to become a cycling capital. It is also a question of who gets how much space in a crowded city, do we want streets for cars or for people - and last but not least it is a matter of stopping climate change!

**Represented by:** Lara Eckstein

### **Bettervest**

 [bettervest.com](http://bettervest.com)

 [facebook.com/bettervest](https://facebook.com/bettervest)

 [twitter.com/bettervest](https://twitter.com/bettervest)

Bettervest is one of Europe's leading crowdfunding platforms for clean energy projects. Trend researcher and futurist Patrick Mijns came up with this innovative concept in 2006. His vision was to not only use energy efficiency to provide the needed impetus for a climate-friendly economy and society, but that ordinary people should be able to invest in it. During the 2012 event "Startup-

Weekend Rhein-Main”, a group of experts in various fields were presented with the opportunity to take this concept further. Over just two days this team took Mijns’ concept and together they drew up a funding model for energy efficient projects based on the idea of public participation. The model was able to convince a jury of experts and won the team the Startup-Award. To date, over 70 renewable and energy efficiency projects received funding from citizen via bettervest. CO2 savings of the projects located in Germany and in developing countries exceed 135.000t. Numerous jobs were created and living conditions improved. Sissy Windisch is in charge of finance at [bettervest.com](http://bettervest.com).

**Represented by:** Sissy Windisch

## **Eyeo**

 [eyeo.com](http://eyeo.com)

 [facebook.com/EyeoGmbH](https://facebook.com/EyeoGmbH)

 [twitter.com/eyeo](https://twitter.com/eyeo)

With the help of an international community of volunteers, we develop open source software that millions of people use every day to have a better online experience. Our solutions such as Adblock Plus, which, with over 500 million downloads, is the most popular add-on/extension ever, put users in control over the kind of content they see online. Beyond that, we build software that encourages positive, informative advertising and privacy protection practices.

**Represented by:** Laura Dornheim

## **Freifunk**

 [freifunk.net](http://freifunk.net)

 [facebook.com/freifunknet](https://facebook.com/freifunknet)

 [twitter.com/freifunk](https://twitter.com/freifunk)

The Freifunk community is part of a global movement for free infrastructure and open frequencies. Our vision is the democratization of the media through free networks. More and more people are single-handedly installing and maintaining free networks. Every user in the free wireless network provides his or her wireless LAN router for data transfer to other participants. In return, he or she can also transmit data, such as text, music and movies through a free internal network or use services setup by participants to chat, call or play online games. We use mesh networks. Free wireless communities implement this idea worldwide.

**Represented by:** David Krystof

## **Freischreiber**

 [freischreiber.de](http://freischreiber.de)

 [facebook.com/Freischreiber.de](https://facebook.com/Freischreiber.de)

 [twitter.com/Freischreiber](https://twitter.com/Freischreiber)

Freischreiber an organization founded in 2008 that fights for the rights and working conditions of freelance journalists in Germany. We are the only journalist union just for freelance professionals. We want the public to know under what circumstances media emerge today. That there are more and freer people who write in their newspapers and magazines or provide contributions for radio and television. We want to help make journalism believable and at the same time creative, surprising, informative, serious and entertaining. For this, we need fair working conditions, reasonable pay, trusting cooperation with editors, and publishers and directors who live up to their responsibility for



independence and pluralism in the media landscape.

**Represented by:** Benno Stieber

### **Gender Equality Media / StopBildSexism**

 [genderequalitymedia.org](http://genderequalitymedia.org) & [stopbildsexism.com](http://stopbildsexism.com)  
 [twitter.com/StopBildSexism](https://twitter.com/StopBildSexism)

Gender Equality Media is a German NGO fighting sexism in German media. In October 2014, we have launched the campaign StopBildSexism to oppose the objectification of women in Bild-Zeitung, the most popular newspaper in Germany. We first started to ask the Bild's editor, Kai Diekmann, to remove the topless "BILD-Girl" from the publication. Since then, we are doing studies and media screening to end sexism in German media.

**Represented by:** Britta Häfemeier, Anne-Marie Jacob, Penelope Kemekenidou, Johanna Polle, Sarah Voigt

### **Heart of Code**

 [heartofcode.org](http://heartofcode.org)  
 [twitter.com/heartofcode](https://twitter.com/heartofcode)

Heart of Code is aimed at all women interested in bits, bytes and crafts. It is a place for more creativity, more networking, more community, and of course, more hacking. We want to facilitate access of women to information technologies, tools and content, thereby diversifying the hacking community and tech landscape in the long term. Heart of Code is our contribution to a colourful future in which everyone peacefully works together digitally.

**Represented by:** Tabea Glindemann, Marie Kochsiek, Cat Spangehl, Jenny Genzmer, Daniela Schiestl and Martha Dörfler

### **InterEuropean Human Aid Association Germany**

 [iha.help/en](http://iha.help/en)  
 [facebook.com/iha.help](https://facebook.com/iha.help)  
 [twitter.com/iha\\_help](https://twitter.com/iha_help)

The mission of the InterEuropean Human Aid Association (IHA) is to provide aid and assistance for refugees in a fast and efficient way. It was founded in September 2015 by volunteer aid workers who came together in the context of the intensifying European refugee crisis. We are channelling donated relief supplies to locations across Europe, building infrastructure in refugee camps, distributing relief supplies and providing a variety of service to refugees. This is accomplished with teams of volunteers working closely with local and international organisations along Europe's borders.

**Represented by:** Dominik Kodlin

### **Jugend Rettet / Sea Watch**

 [jugendrettet.org/en](http://jugendrettet.org/en)  
 [facebook.com/JugendRettet](https://facebook.com/JugendRettet)  
 [twitter.com/jugendrettet](https://twitter.com/jugendrettet)

JUGEND RETTET is a network of young people who have organized themselves to fight against dying in the Mediterranean. We bought a ship, the IUVENTA, and have already saved more than 14,000 people from distress. In this way, we are countering the humanitarian catastrophe and collective European failure. We are a civil search and rescue organisation, operating along the Central Mediterranean route. Sea rescue, our humanitarian work, of people in distress is our overall objective, however, we are also advocates for safe and legal alternative ways for people in need of protection to reach safety. A humanitarian corridor is one of our demands to the political leaderships of Europe.

On the 1st of August 2017, the Italian Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) ordered the IUVENTA to Lampedusa. Subsequently, it was seized by Italian authorities. The day before, we refused to sign the so-called Code of Conduct of the Italian government, which would have forced us to break international maritime law.

**Represented by:** Kira Fischer

### **Kleinerdrei**

 [kleinerdrei.org](http://kleinerdrei.org)

 [facebook.com/wirsindkleinerdrei](https://facebook.com/wirsindkleinerdrei)

 [twitter.com/kleiner\\_3](https://twitter.com/kleiner_3)

Our name stands in the net jargon for a heart, just a <3. For us it represents what we are writing about, namely: what is close to our heart - and that ranges from politics to pop culture, media criticism, interviews, literature reviews, etc. A colourful bouquet of pop culture and the hearts of people with feminist attitudes.

**Represented by:** Anne Wizorek

### **Klima-Allianz Deutschland**

 [klima-allianz.de](http://klima-allianz.de)

 [facebook.com/KlimaAllianz](https://facebook.com/KlimaAllianz)

 [twitter.com/klima\\_allianz](https://twitter.com/klima_allianz)

Climate Alliance Germany (Klima-Allianz Deutschland) was founded on April 24th 2007. Having realized the enormous challenges that climate change is posing, civil society organizations and unions joined together to form the Climate Alliance Germany. Together they advocate for political frameworks that would secure a total prevention of man-made greenhouse gas emissions in Germany, Europe and worldwide.

With more than 110 members, Climate Alliance Germany shows that climate protection is a major concern of society and is supported by a broad societal alliance. The broad spectrum of members of the alliance includes churches, development organizations, environmental organizations, trade unions, organizations for consumer protection, youth alliances and other organizations

**Represented by:** Elaine Runge

### **Mein Grundeinkommen**

 [mein-grundeinkommen.de](http://mein-grundeinkommen.de)

 [facebook.com/MeinGrundeinkommen](https://facebook.com/MeinGrundeinkommen)

Mein Grundeinkommen (My basic income) uses crowdfunding to distribute one-year-based

unconditional basic incomes to individuals that are being selected via a raffle. So far, 63 people are receiving these basic incomes in Germany. The aim of the political campaign is to influence the public debate in Germany and beyond and bring up different aspects a universal basic income can possibly evoke. Furthermore, the idea is to demonstrate that the basic income is an idea that is unbound to party political ideologies and there are different models to look at.

**Represented by:** Christian Lichtenberg

### **Migration\_ Heute**

 [migrationheute.wordpress.com](http://migrationheute.wordpress.com)

Migration Heute is a non-profit organisation which empowers and supports the integration of migrants and refugees in Germany. Migration Heute is both a radio programme that informs about migration and cultural diversity, and a training programme for entrepreneurship targeted at migrants and refugees.

**Represented by:** Jean Ngendahimana

### **Migration\_Miteinander**

Migration\_miteinander was founded in April 2017 and promotes legal migration tools for refugees with a European (mostly Italian) residence permit who want to migrate to Germany. We also want to provide migrants with the necessary information, knowledge and skills for a self-determined life in Europe.

**Represented by:** Golde Ebding

### **Miteinander**

 [miteinander-ev.de](http://miteinander-ev.de)

 [facebook.com/miteinanderev](https://facebook.com/miteinanderev)

Miteinander is a German non-profit NGO, which is committed to an open, pluralistic, and democratic society. We work against racism, anti-Semitism, and other forms of discrimination against people (group-focused enmity). Among other things, we support and counsel people who have become victims of racist, anti-Semitic, or right-wing violence, and work with young people with latent right-wing, racist and anti-Semitic attitudes. We also analyse the activities, the development and the ideology of right-wing extremism in Germany.

**Represented by:** Pascal Begrich

### **Ökonauten**

 [oekonauten-eg.de](http://oekonauten-eg.de)

 [facebook.com/okonauten-eg-903161193057882](https://facebook.com/okonauten-eg-903161193057882)

We are called “Ökonauten eG” because we want to comprehensively explore and shape ecological agriculture: together, for each other, collectively. Our goal is to establish a new, cooperatively organized agriculture in Berlin-Brandenburg. With the Ökonauten, we want to create an agriculture that combines the diversity of land ownership with genuine opportunities for young farmers and the

production of good food. The seven-member founding team has expanded to include other comrades and is now on the way to bring together new land and farmers.

**Represented by:** René Tettenborn

### **Slow Food Youth Network**

 [slowfoodyouth.de](http://slowfoodyouth.de)

 [facebook.com/yfm.deutschland](https://facebook.com/yfm.deutschland)

The Slow Food Youth Network is a network of young farmers, food producers, activists and students for whom food is about more than only filling their bellies. It is also about politics and environment. We are a grassroots organization and we organize actions and workshops to share our knowledge.

**Represented by:** Louise Duhan

### **Splone**

 [splone.com](http://splone.com)

We are a team with roots in Berlin. We work on IT network security and offer services for securing and testing your vital infrastructure, data and software. Additionally, we are developing the automated assessment tool splonebox that has a focus on SCADA protocols.

## **GREECE**

### **Dirty Girls of Lesbos**

 [dirtygirlsoflesvos.com](http://dirtygirlsoflesvos.com)

Dirty Girls was initiated in 2015, so that good quality wet and dirty clothing, discarded by thousands of people fleeing war and terror, arriving by sea on the island of Lesbos, would not be trashed. We are collecting and washing tons and tons of clothing and then sending them to the clothing distribution centres for other incoming people. Because the washed clothes were coming from people with similar backgrounds, clothes could be provided to the arriving people with more appropriate styles, sizes and modesty levels than what was available with donated clothes.

Dirty Girls is proud to be pioneering the use of the simple environmental practice of washing used materials in humanitarian relief efforts: with the vision that it will become the status quo for the larger international humanitarian agencies and refugee host governments. Dirty Girls washes (to hospital standards), blankets, sleeping bags and other materials so that they can be reused, rather than the present practices of most NGOs who are currently trashing all materials and replacing them with new ones. Each blanket could be washed to hospital standards in commercial laundries at least 20 times before deterioration if NGOs and government bodies would redirect their focus to an environmental imperative. (Obviously) trashing materials leads to environmental degradation while the financial cost to donors and taxpayers is at least twice as much as necessary.

**Represented by:** Alison Terry-Evans

## **European Schoolnet**

 [eun.org](http://eun.org)

 [facebook.com/european.schoolnet](https://facebook.com/european.schoolnet)

 [twitter.com/eu\\_schoolnet](https://twitter.com/eu_schoolnet)

European Schoolnet is the network of 34 European Ministries of Education, based in Brussels. As a not-for-profit organisation, we aim to bring innovation in teaching and learning to our key stakeholders: Ministries of Education, schools, teachers, researchers, and industry partners.

We are driven by our mission to support education stakeholders in Europe in the transformation of education processes for 21st century digitalized societies. We do this by identifying and testing promising innovative practices, sharing evidence about their impact, and supporting the mainstreaming of teaching and learning practices aligned with 21st century standards for inclusive education.

**Represented by:** Charalampos Kyritsis

## **Solomon**

 [solomon.gr](http://solomon.gr)

 [facebook.com/solomongreece](https://facebook.com/solomongreece)

 [twitter.com/solomon\\_gr](https://twitter.com/solomon_gr)

Solomon's motto is social inclusion through media. We are a group of people with different backgrounds that, through media, aims to promote an alternative perspective of the local community by showing the humanity that is common to us. We aim to create stable employment and, above all, to unlock a huge, dormant potential that the displaced communities hold. Whether our content is created by a Greek coder, a Syrian chef, or a Russian supermodel princess cosmonaut, we reveal our common ground by introducing a kaleidoscope of perspectives, from talented people of all ages and backgrounds. Since January 2016, we have been collaborating with the refugee and migrant community to empower them to play an active role in European democracy, ensure their voices are heard and that nobody speaks on their behalf in debates that concern their lives and futures.

**Represented by:** Alexia Stamatelatou

## **University of Patras Radio / World College Radio**

 [upfm.upatras.gr](http://upfm.upatras.gr)

University of Patras Radio – UP FM, is the official Radio Station of University of Patras that consists of quality shows, cultural references, news of the region and the academic and student community, as well as shows that made important topics such as environment and health, accessible to a wider audience. UM FM is part of World College Radio is an effort to connect University Radios across the world, to connect cultures, to create strong bonds between independent community media to deal with global issues as a strong team, to promote new artists, to promote the much needed freedom of speech, to educate the audience!

**Represented by:** Victor Forlidas

## **Youth social rights network**

 [ysrnetwork.weebly.com](http://ysrnetwork.weebly.com)

Y-SRN is an international network working on improvement of access to social rights for all young

people (particularly young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods deprived of some of the basic necessities and/ or young people facing variety of disadvantages). In terms of specifying the content of social rights the Youth Social Rights Network follows the approach of the European Social Charter, in its original and revised versions. The mission of Y-SRN is to improve the access to social rights, social inclusion and participation of young people; (particularly those from disadvantaged neighbourhoods or those facing disadvantage), while protecting young people of all forms of discrimination and violence. The vision of Y-SRN is to provide professional, pluralistic, high-quality, inclusive, transparent, and effective services so as to support the transformation of Europe in a structure that respects and protects social rights of autonomous young people and provides opportunities for their active participation in modern societies.

**Represented by:** Christoforos Pavlakis

## HUNGARY

### Dehran Bislim

I am a journalist and an independent expert, consultant on minority issues, respectively on Roma issues. I am member of various International organizations, Roma and Non Roma. I participated in last year's Ideas Lab, and I appreciated greatly the topics and the experts that I met. It has been truly a great networking event. As a member of Roma minority group, which we are over 12 mil. People in Europe, it has given me an excellent opportunity to contribute to important European issues and gave me a platform to contribute myself.

### Mérték Media Monitor

 [mertek.eu](http://mertek.eu)  
 [twitter.com/MertekMonitor](https://twitter.com/MertekMonitor)

The mission of Mérték is to strengthen media freedom by assessing and influencing media policies, improving journalists' sense of responsibility and professionalism, and enhancing critical thinking in the general public. Our work is based on professionally profound operation, independent from business and political interest groups and it has competencies in the field of law, journalism, economics and sociology. It inspires debates about press freedom and publicity and at the same time it puts pressure on authorities and media policy decision makers.

**Represented by:** Agnes Urban

### Polgar Foundation

 [polgaralapitvany.hu](http://polgaralapitvany.hu)

The Polgar Foundation was founded in 2007 by economist András Polgár with the aim to stand by the most vulnerable part of society. In August 2008, he received the Knight's Cross Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary for his initiatives. The two central aims of the Foundations are to decrease the level of prejudice and discrimination against the Roma people, and to improve the life circumstances of Roma people living in the most remote areas. In order to realize its mission, the Foundation aims to act as a mediator organization. Based on its chosen values, established tools, mechanics and sources, the Foundation feels capable, in order to improve life chances, to research and follow new paths, make efficient use of available funding.

**Represented by:** Béla Rác

## **Roma Education Fund**

 [romaeducationfund.org](http://romaeducationfund.org)

 [facebook.com/RomaEducationFund](https://facebook.com/RomaEducationFund)

The Roma Education Fund (REF) was created in the framework of the Decade of Roma Inclusion in 2005. Its mission and ultimate goal is to close the gap in educational outcomes between Roma and non-Roma. In order to achieve this goal, the organization supports policies and programs which ensure quality education for Roma, including the desegregation of education systems.

**Represented by:** Marius Taba

## **Roma Initiatives Office / Open Society Foundation**

 [opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/roma-initiatives-office](http://opensocietyfoundations.org/about/programs/roma-initiatives-office)

The Roma Initiatives Office works with Roma advocates, organizations, and communities to achieve Roma rights at European, national, and local levels. It works to achieve equal opportunities, combat segregation, and challenge all forms of discrimination faced by Roma. The program builds on the Open Society Foundations' many years of support for Roma and pro-Roma civil society organizations to promote active citizenship and grassroots community participation. Substantive Roma participation is essential for meaningful progress on Roma rights, and Roma communities need to participate in the design, implementation, and monitoring of public policies that affect them. Effective and democratic Roma leadership is vital to this process.

**Represented by:** Richard Robert Racz

## **Roma Standing Conference**

Roma Standing Conference represents more than 24 Roma organizations directly, and 75 indirectly (based on the previous consultations) from Hungary.

**Represented by:** Béla Rác

## **Védegylet / Transition HUB Hungary**

 [transitionnetwork.org/initiatives/hub-transition-hungary](http://transitionnetwork.org/initiatives/hub-transition-hungary)

 [facebook.com/vedegyletegyesulet](https://facebook.com/vedegyletegyesulet)

Védegylet has been an incubator for many important social movements in Hungary, including the Transition Network. As the Transition Hub we support local communities in relocalising and creating access to good food, reducing and taking control of their energy needs, and reinventing their local economy. At the heart of this is a community's ability to cooperate, to unleash its creativity to identify and focus on its needs in an integrative way. That's the challenge, which means beyond the issues, and dealing more with the HOW question. We explore this together with Eco-village, subcultural and Roma communities and those 'eco-facilitators' who like us support these change processes in Hungary.

**Represented by:** Tracey Wheatley

# IRELAND

## **Africa Centre Dublin**

[www.africacentre.ie](http://www.africacentre.ie)

[facebook.com/AfricaCentreDublinIreland](https://facebook.com/AfricaCentreDublinIreland)

Africa Centre is a national voluntary organisation with its head office based in Dublin. It is a membership organisation focusing on four main areas. These areas include facilitating community dialogue and participation for the effective integration of Africans in Ireland, promoting the inclusion of multiple African perspectives in development education discourse, informing and influencing policy and practice for the integration of Africans in Ireland and at the European level, and finally creating a more enabling policy environment for the effective integration of Africans in Ireland and Africans' contribution to the development of Africa and to strengthen Africa Centre's capacity to work effectively as an organisation.

**Represented by:** Lassane Ouedraogo

## **BlueFire Dublin**

[www.bluefiredublin.ie](http://www.bluefiredublin.ie)

[facebook.com/BlueFireDublin](https://facebook.com/BlueFireDublin)

[twitter.com/BlueFireDublin](https://twitter.com/BlueFireDublin)

BlueFire is a youth-driven social enterprise empowering young people between 13 – 30 (in a peer-to-peer led environment) to create innovative solutions which foster cohesive communities. Our young people provide a platform for integration on an individual and community level through activities which create cross-cultural collaboration and interaction. Founded in 2013, we have since worked directly with over 300 young people. These 300 young people have impacted over 15,000 people from 50+ cultural backgrounds.

**Represented by:** Marina Engels

## **Strike for Repeal**

[www.strike4repeal.org](http://www.strike4repeal.org)

[facebook.com/strike4repeal](https://facebook.com/strike4repeal)

[twitter.com/strike4repeal](https://twitter.com/strike4repeal)

We are an ad-hoc, non-affiliated group of activists, academics, artists and trade unionists who launched a nationwide Strike for Repeal on the 8th of March 2017. The main march gathered around 10 000 people in Dublin, but they were also protests in Galway, Limerick, Cork & other cities and towns around Ireland. The protest was inspired by the "Black Protest" organised in Poland several months earlier.

**Represented by:** Inga Wojcik



# ITALY

## **Associazione interculturale UNIVERSO**

 [universointerculturale.it](http://universointerculturale.it)

Associazione interculturale UNIVERSO is a non profit organisation based at Bologna, Italy. UNIVERSO stands for intercultural diversity and exchange between all citizens, empowerment of young persons, equal rights and access to democratic participation for all citizens, solidarity. Our main activities are: social assistance to facilitate the access to work, education and sanitary system, free language courses, music and dance projects and workshops, participation in and organisation of events of intercultural exchange, promotion of social inclusion. Furthermore, we have a project called “Io sto con il lupo” where we help to build a hospital for children in Cameroon.

**Represented by:** Karla Kaestner

## **COSPE**

 [cospe.org](http://cospe.org)

 [facebook.com/cospeonlus](https://facebook.com/cospeonlus)

 [twitter.com/cospeonlus](https://twitter.com/cospeonlus)

COSPE was founded in 1983 and is a private, secular and non-profit association. We operate in 30 countries around the world with about 150 projects alongside thousands of women and men for a change that ensures fair and sustainable development, respect for human rights, peace and justice among peoples. We work for the construction of a world in which diversity is considered a value, a world with many voices, where the meeting is enriched and where social justice passes through the access of all equal rights and opportunities.

**Represented by:** Gianluca Solera

## **GVC Italia**

 [gvc-italia.org](http://gvc-italia.org)

 [facebook.com/GVConlus](https://facebook.com/GVConlus)

GVC- Civil Volunteer Group, is a non-governmental, secular, and independent organization, founded in Bologna. We are active in international development aid projects with complex action strategies: from humanitarian aid to populations suffering from conflicts and natural disasters to reconstruction, hygiene, and food security; from rural development to education, to the protection of women’s and children’s rights.

**Represented by:** Sara Alves

## **Hermes Center for Transparency and Digital Human Rights**

 [hermescenter.org](http://hermescenter.org)

 [facebook.com/HermesCenter](https://facebook.com/HermesCenter)

 [twitter.com/hermescenter](https://twitter.com/hermescenter)

Our mission is to promote and develop in the society the awareness of and the attention to transparency and accountability, be they related to the society-at-large or not. Our goal is to increase the citizens’

involvement in the management of matters of public interest and to boost the active participation of workers and employees to the correct management of corporations and companies they work for.

**Represented by:** Matteo Flora

### **Transition Italia**

-  [transitionitalia.it](http://transitionitalia.it)
-  [facebook.com/groups/transizione](https://facebook.com/groups/transizione)
-  [twitter.com/bottonT](https://twitter.com/bottonT)

The Transition movement, better known as the Transition Towns movement, was born in England in 2006 in the city of Totnes from the ideas of Rob Hopkins. Transition Italia was founded in 2008 to facilitate and support the dissemination of this exciting collective process on the Italian territory. It acts as a local node (HUB) of the international Transition network on the basis of an agreement (MoU) signed with the Transition Network.

**Represented by:** Cristiano Bottone

## **LATVIA**

### **Free Riga**

-  [freeriga.lv](http://freeriga.lv)
-  [facebook.com/FREERIGA](https://facebook.com/FREERIGA)

Free Riga is a citizens' movement formed in 2014 with the aim to open abandoned spaces for social and cultural initiatives. Free Riga works both with private and public institutions. Free Riga till now has opened four buildings for temporary use and mapped more than 400 empty buildings in Riga. Our main challenge is to expand existing model and forming partnerships with public institutions.

**Represented by:** Jazeps Biske

## **NETHERLANDS**

### **Clean Oceans Map / 5 Gyres Institute**

-  [cleanoceansmap.org](http://cleanoceansmap.org)
-  [facebook.com/5gyres](https://facebook.com/5gyres)

Cleanoceansmap was founded to locate and showcase technical solutions aimed at solving plastic pollution. The chain (process) of plastic pollution is quite diverse and so are the initiatives attempting to solve this problem. We are mapping all technological solutions (tools, software, hardware) which can be distributed, adopted, further developed and scaled-up.

**Represented by:** Eva Rennen & Lotte Bowser

## **European Roma Union / Radio Patrin**

 [radiopatrin.com](http://radiopatrin.com)

European Roma Union is a new network of Roma organisations from 26 European countries. Radio Patrin's ambition is to become one of the leading professional Roma news and media organizations with three core objectives: to inform, educate and raise awareness. Beside its already established audiences – Roma communities – Patrin strives to become the first choice for traditional and mainstream media regarding information on Roma-related news around Europe.

**Represented by:** Orhan Galjus

## **Fossil Vrij NL**

 [gofossilfree.org/NL](http://gofossilfree.org/NL)

 [facebook.com/FossilvrijNL](https://facebook.com/FossilvrijNL)

 [twitter.com/FossilvrijNL](https://twitter.com/FossilvrijNL)

Fossil Vrij NL is part of the global movement 'Fossil Free', which is a people-powered campaign to end the age of fossil fuels and accelerate a fair transition to 100% renewable energy for all. Fossil Free started in 2012 as a campaign to divest our institutions from fossil fuels. Thousands of divestment campaigns around the world are helping shift public opinion in favour of keeping fossil fuels in the ground and highlighting the moral urgency of climate action. Starting in early 2018 the Fossil Free campaign will enter a new phase by expanding the range of tools and tactics it uses to help accelerate a fair transition from fossil fuels to 100% renewables and climate justice for all. Fossil Free aims at organising and mobilising people at a scale never attempted before. Working together with communities everywhere, we're building a global people-powered campaign to tackle the fossil fuel industry from every angle.

**Represented by:** Lena Hartog and Laurie Kos

## **Nederland Wordt beter**

 [nederlandwordtbeter.nl](http://nederlandwordtbeter.nl)

 [facebook.com/nederlandwordtbeter](https://facebook.com/nederlandwordtbeter)

 [twitter.com/nlwordtbeter](https://twitter.com/nlwordtbeter)

Nederland Wordt Beter works for a future without racism and exclusion. We believe this can only be achieved by recognizing the influence that colonial and slavery still has nowadays in the Dutch society. Parents, poets, artists, teachers, students, academics, bloggers, filmmakers and historians, we are working together for increasing the public awareness about the dramatic consequences of the colonial and slavery past of the Netherlands.

**Represented by:** Jerry Afriyie

## **Platform Investico**

 [platform-investico.nl](http://platform-investico.nl)

Platform Investico is a Dutch foundation gathering investigative and data journalists. We are strengthening the democratic constitutional state by feeding the public debate. Not by presenting whipped scandals, but by offering a counterweight to the short breath and incident focus that often dominate the social debate. We always seek cooperation with other media and often cooperate with other parties like national radio and television or regional newspapers. An integral part of Investico's

work is training young investigative journalists. We organize five-month Masterclasses for a small group of young academics each year.

**Represented by:** Anouk Ruhaak

### **Print Your City!, by The New Raw**

[www.printyour.city](http://www.printyour.city) & [thenewraw.org](http://thenewraw.org)  
[facebook.com/Print-Your-City-300581970350115](https://www.facebook.com/Print-Your-City-300581970350115)  
[facebook.com/The-New-Raw-989033377803458](https://www.facebook.com/The-New-Raw-989033377803458)

Print Your City! uses large scale 3D printing to transform the plastic waste of cities into meaningful applications for the built environment. We work to create closed loops for plastic and involve local communities in the shaping of their surroundings. It is a project from The New Raw, a research & design studio based in Rotterdam and run by the architects Foteini Setaki and Panos Sakkas.

The New Raw works towards closing material cycles and strengthening local production using an open and scale-less approach that is based on material research, digital design and fabrication. All projects aim to disseminate and implement circular models by developing contextually strong and visually inspiring concepts. Starting from small scale objects to larger systems, every project gives birth to a growing ecosystem of cross-disciplinary partners, collaborators and stakeholders. Since its beginning, The New Raw research has focused on recycling plastic waste with the use of 3D printing. A consistent body of work has been developed that includes research on marine and city plastic pollution, hyperlocal fabrication in refugee camps, decentralized production in islands, awareness projects on plastic pollution, circular economy systems and others.

**Represented by:** Foteini Setaki & Panos Sakkas

### **Vluchtelingen Welkom**

[www.vluchtelingen-welkom.nl](http://www.vluchtelingen-welkom.nl)  
[facebook.com/vluchtelingenwelkom](https://www.facebook.com/vluchtelingenwelkom)

Vluchtelingen Welkom is the Dutch branch of the international movement Refugees Welcome. We are connecting refugees with private individuals willing to offer them hospitality. Housing refugees in private accommodation provides advantages for everyone: refugees are able to live in sound accommodation, learn the language faster, and adjust to a new environment more easily. Hosts, on the other hand, will get to know a different culture and help a person in a difficult situation. Refugees Welcome was created in Berlin by Jonas Kakoschke and Mareike Geiling, and has now spread across Europe, Australia and Canada.

**Represented by:** Daisy Petrona

## **POLAND**

### **AZERT**

[www.federa.org.pl](http://www.federa.org.pl)  
[facebook.com/federapl](https://www.facebook.com/federapl)  
[twitter.com/federapl](https://twitter.com/federapl)

We are an organization, which facilitates community development. Azert defines itself as a 'cultural reception space', indicating our intention to embrace genres and performers off the mainstream, presenting them in an informal atmosphere. Moreover, with constantly supporting initiatives for urban sustainability, Azert has been serving as an ultimate incubation house of green ideas. The association puts great emphasis on the developments made and to be made on streets, so it can maintain and carry on the title "Streets made for culture" not only in the name, but also in functions and diversity.

**Represented by:** Magdalena Sitarek

### **Barbara Nowacka / Ratujmy Kobiety**

 [ratujmykobiety.org.pl](http://ratujmykobiety.org.pl)

Barbara Nowacka is a politician and feminist activists who successfully led the frond, together with other feminist activists under the platform Ratujmy Kobiety (Let's Save Women), against the project of total prohibition of abortion in Poland in 2017.

### **Biorecykling Association**

 [biorecykling.org](http://biorecykling.org)

 [facebook.com/biorecykling](https://facebook.com/biorecykling)

 [twitter.com/biorecykling](https://twitter.com/biorecykling)

Biorecykling association aims at promoting recycling of biowaste and its use for natural fertilizers and energy production. We are organizing informative and educational workshops, we are working with the local & central governments to establish a proper law in this field, we also publish materials, and support local administration in circular economy project etc.

**Represented by:** Julia Rokicka

### **Congress of Urban Movements**

 [kongresruchowmiejskich.pl](http://kongresruchowmiejskich.pl)

In the last few years, bottom-up groups of residents who want to play an important role in co-creating the city have begun to become active in most Polish cities. The first Congress of Urban Movements took place in 2011 and gathered about 100 representatives of 48 movements and city organisations from several Polish cities, willing to strengthen cooperation between urban organisations across Poland and reflect on proposals for better urban development policies.

**Represented by:** Patryk Bialas

### **Federacja na Rzecz Kobiet i Planowania Rodziny / Federation for Women and Family Planning**

 [federa.org.pl](http://federa.org.pl)

 [facebook.com/federapl](https://facebook.com/federapl)

 [twitter.com/federapl](https://twitter.com/federapl)

The Federation for Women and Family Planning is a non-governmental organization fighting for reproductive health and rights. It was established in 1991 as a result of an agreement of five organizations – the League of Polish Women, the Polish Feminist Association, the Pro Femina Association, the Association for Ideologically Neutral State "Neutrum", and the Association of Christian Girls and Women YWCA Poland. Our mission is advocating for basic human rights, especially the right

of women to decide freely whether and when to have children.

**Represented by:** Żaneta Oczkowska

### **Foundation „Development YES - Open Pit Mines NO”**

[rozwojtak-odkrywkinie.pl/index.php/en](http://rozwojtak-odkrywkinie.pl/index.php/en)  
[facebook.com/rozwojtakodkrywkinie](https://facebook.com/rozwojtakodkrywkinie)

Foundation “DY-OPMN” is the formal and legal representation of the Polish National Coalition „Development YES – Open-pit mines NO” – a civil society grassroots movement to prevent plans to build new lignite open-pit mines and supporting the transformation of the Polish economy - from the one based on fossil fuels to a resource-efficient and new renewables-based one.

**Represented by:** Jakub “Kuba” Gogolewski

### **Fundacja Strefa Zieleni**

[strefazieleni.org/english](http://strefazieleni.org/english)  
[facebook.com/FundacjaStrefaZieleni](https://facebook.com/FundacjaStrefaZieleni)  
[twitter.com/StrefaZieleni](https://twitter.com/StrefaZieleni)

Fundacja Strefa Zieleni (Green Zone Foundation) supports local, national, European and global actions in line with the ideals and the program of the Greens: sustainable development, nature and environment protection, social justice, participatory democracy, freedom of conscience, separation of church and state, freedom of medias and digital rights, responsible governance, corporate social responsibility, green economy and taxation, fair international trade, food sovereignty, the Common goods.

**Represented by:** Ewa Sufin-Jacquemart

### **Gals 4 Gals**

[facebook.com/lodzkiezdiewuchy](https://facebook.com/lodzkiezdiewuchy)

Gals for Gals Lodz (Dziewuchy Dziewuchom Lodz) have raised as a civic movement to answer to deter the Polish government’s declaration of tightening of the abortion law. Since April 2016 we have organised the biggest protests in the city of Lodz since the strikes of textile workers in 1971.

We act as a part of the nationwide movement called Dziewuchy Dziewuchom that has some chapters in other EU countries and above (like in Australia, and the US). We first of all express our strong opposition towards tightening of abortion law as it would be a clear violation of human rights. Besides protests and other forms of political bottom-up engagement (as citizens), we have been offering education and awareness raising activities to women and men. We keep educating that the right to decision is the fundamental right of every woman, and it should be protected.

**Represented by:** Magdalena Gałkiewicz, Katarina Gauza, Katrina Iwaniuk, Aleksandra Knapik, Anna Migala & Gosia Wochowska

## **Institute of Global Responsibility**

 [igo.home.pl](http://igo.home.pl)

Institute of Global Responsibility (Polish acronym: IGO) is an independent non-governmental organisation that focuses on global development issues and works in areas of advocacy, campaigning and global education since 2007. IGO is involved in all major debates on development issues in Poland since IGO's establishment. IGO has been particularly active for many years in the field of development policy (including aid watching, aid transparency, ODA, financing for development, PCD) and related policies (topics: tax dodging, natural resources, sustainable agriculture, land grabbing, trade and investment policies). IGO has delivered results in Poland through analyses, reports, policy briefs, and other publications as well as conducted expert seminars and conferences on development related policies.

**Represented by:** Marta Gontarska

## **Obóz dla Puszczy / Camp for the Forest**

 [save-bialowieza.net](http://save-bialowieza.net)

 [facebook.com/dlapuszczy](https://facebook.com/dlapuszczy)

 [twitter.com/DlaPuszczy](https://twitter.com/DlaPuszczy)

We are a group of people who disagree with the mass logging taking place in the Bialowieza Forest, the last primeval lowland forest in Europe. We share our standpoint with recognized scientists, environmental NGOs and the local community. What brings us all together is the commitment to protect the primeval Forest as a common good, defending it against the exploitative logic of the market. We promote peaceful demonstration to protect the forest, and are not associated with any political opinion.

**Represented by:** Joanna Pawluśkiewicz and Augustyn Mikos

## **Obywatele RP**

 [obywatelerp.org](http://obywatelerp.org)

Obywatele RP is one of the civic movement in Poland opposing the extreme right government that is breaking the constitution and the rule of law principles, violating civil and human rights etc. The movement typically employs civil disobedience strategy but is also into some large scale strictly political projects aimed at -- we believe -- core issues causing the global (and not only local) crisis of democracy.

**Represented by:** Paweł Kasprzak

## **Ogólnopolski Strajk Kobiet (OSK, Nationwide Women's Strike)**

 [strajkkobiet.eu](http://strajkkobiet.eu)

 [facebook.com/ogolnopolskistrajkkobiet](https://facebook.com/ogolnopolskistrajkkobiet)

 [twitter.com/czarny\\_protest](https://twitter.com/czarny_protest)

We are a grass-roots, independent social movement of pissed-off women and rational men supporting us. We all went to streets on 3 October 2016 to protest against the barbaric anti-abortion law proposed by the conservative Polish PiS government. We struck all over Poland, protested in over 150 cities in Poland and over 60 abroad. 90% of protests in Poland took place in cities of less than

50,000 inhabitants and this was the greatest strength of the Women's Strike. The Strike Central was and still is in Wrocław, where Marta Lempart called for a strike on 25 September 2016. We won that battle, but we did not win the war.

**Represented by:** Marta Lempart

### **Piotr Trzaskowski**

 <https://twitter.com/trzaskowskip>

Piotr Trzaskowski is a long standing Polish activist in the fields of food sovereignty, energy transformation, antifascism and the defence of democracy. His latest endeavour has been to establish a Polish Avaaz-style online campaigning organisation Akcja Demokracja, which is one of the leading forces in the ongoing protests against the both the proposal to change abortion law and to reform the Polish judiciary system. He is now a freelancer for several NGOs and help them building strategies, fundraising and online mobilisation.

## **PORTUGAL**

### **Associação D3 - Defesa dos Direitos Digitais**

 [direitosdigitais.pt](http://direitosdigitais.pt)

 [facebook.com/direitosdigitais](https://facebook.com/direitosdigitais)

 [twitter.com/direitosdig](https://twitter.com/direitosdig)

We are a non-profit association dedicated to the defence of fundamental rights in the digital context. We want to give a voice to those in Portugal who are defending the rights of citizens when confronted with technological developments. We are fighting for digital rights, especially focusing on privacy, copyright and freedom of expression.

**Represented by:** Eduardo santos

### **Fruta à Mão (Urban Orchards – Pick your city fruit)**

 [pickyourcityfruits.weebly.com](http://pickyourcityfruits.weebly.com)

When learning that most of the fruit trees adorning Portugal's city streets were ornamental and too bitter to eat, Moirika Reker decided that these spaces could grow edible fruits instead. She sought a European Culture Foundation grant to develop "Fruta à mão" (Urban Orchards – Pick Your (City) Fruit). She focused her efforts on transforming part of the park Quinta dos Lilases in Lisbon into a public orchard. The urban orchard would be cared for, maintained and harvested by the community. The idea is to bring attention to the possibility of participation in one's own nourishment, addressing issues related to food security, urban sustainability and aesthetic fruition of the city.

**Represented by:** Moirika Reker and Adriana Gil



# ROMANIA

## **D'Avent**

 [facebook.com/davent.org](https://facebook.com/davent.org)

D'Avent is a Romanian Non-Profit Organization working on promoting sustainable living in urban areas by growing and supporting successful active communities. We act towards promoting a Circular Economy in a sustainable society to reduce waste pollution. We believe in cross-sectorial partnership and complementary approaches. We bring together companies, schools, social enterprises and eco-designers for increasing awareness and empowering communities.

**Represented by:** Laura Georgiana & Ioana Oprisan

## **De-Clic**

 [declic.ro](http://declic.ro)

 [facebook.com/de.clic.ro](https://facebook.com/de.clic.ro)

The De-Clic community is made up of hundreds of thousands of ordinary people living in Romania and in the diaspora. Currently we have more than 250 000 active members who are fighting for a fairer society. Declic campaigns are driven by our values, not by party policy. De-Clic is, and will always remain, an independent community. Our members come from the most diverse backgrounds and what brings us together is our common faith in equity, compassion and courage. We have been involved in various causes and together we have been able to win fights with little chance of success. Withdrawal of certification for illegal timber products from our forests is just one example. Saving the Nera River from destruction is another.

**Represented by:** Tudor Bradatan

## **Demos**

 [platforma-demos.ro](http://platforma-demos.ro)

 [facebook.com/Platforma.Demos](https://facebook.com/Platforma.Demos)

Demos (Democracy and Solidarity) Platform is a citizen movement established in 2016 which is working in the fields of poverty and inequality, public services, human rights, democracy and environment. Its members, previously active in various social movements and campaigns, decided to form it as a response to the growing inequality, severe poverty, destruction of the public goods and services and environmental degradation in the country, issues which are ignored by the existing parties. DEMOS also stands for a new form of democratic politics that aims at social inclusion, justice and equality in rights and opportunities for all citizens.

**Represented by:** Claudiu Crăciun

## **Greeninitiative Association**

 [greeninitiative.ro/home](http://greeninitiative.ro/home)

 [facebook.com/Greeninitiative-289710079302](https://facebook.com/Greeninitiative-289710079302)

Greeninitiative is a Romanian NGO active in the field of promoting climate change awareness, ecodesign and energy sustainability amongst the Romanian public. The organization has grown from

a personal initiative into a nationally relevant organization in 10 years of existence by developing and implementing projects covering three main areas of interest: 1) green building & living (with a focus on near-zero and zero energy buildings and sustainable building materials), 2) eco design and transition towards circular economy 3) green social (with a focus on exploring climate-change adaptation solutions for the energy-poor). Most of Greeninitiative's projects target both young students in schools and high-schools but also university students and young professionals active in relevant fields such as architecture, design, civil engineering, building systems engineering.

**Represented by:** Felicia Ienculescu-Popovici & Marius Ienculescu-Popovici

### **Mai Bine**

 [maibine.eu](http://maibine.eu)

 [facebook.com/mai.bine](https://facebook.com/mai.bine)

 [twitter.com/onmaibine](https://twitter.com/onmaibine)

Mai Bine, an NGO aiming at capacity building for local sustainable development, with a holistic approach on the three dimensions of sustainability. It became the most important local organization in the field of urban and human ecology and a reference at national level both in the area of environmental protection and social economy.

**Represented by:** Anca Gheorghică

### **Save Roşia Montană / Made in Roşia Montană**

 [rosiamontana.org](http://rosiamontana.org)

 [facebook.com/alburnusmaior](https://facebook.com/alburnusmaior)

 [twitter.com/alburnusmaior](https://twitter.com/alburnusmaior)

Roşia Montană sits atop one of Europe's largest gold deposits, and is the centre of a decade-long conflict between its inhabitants and a Canada-listed mining company whose project is to build Europe's largest goldmine. In 2000, the inhabitants of Roşia Montană and surrounding villages set up an association to defend their rights and protect the local social, environmental, economic and cultural heritage. The association initiated and coordinates the Save Rosia Montana Campaign against this mining project; within its 18 years of life so far this campaign became the largest social and environmental movement in Romania. The campaign demonstrated its efficiency in that the mining project, initially envisaged to start production in 2004, is still blocked. This is the result of hundreds of demonstrations and lobby activities at national and international level, writing petitions, informing the investors and shareholders of the mining company, actions in court, and information seminars for local people regarding alternative economic activities instead of mining, cultural activities etc. Tică Darie is one of those inhabitants. After studying multimedia design in Copenhagen, he decided to return to his home village and got involved in the campaign. In the last 4 years, he founded in Roşia Montană a local scout centre, a social business called Made in Roşia Montană and even got elected mayor of the village.

**Represented by:** Tică Darie

### **Va Vedem din Sibiu**

 [vavedem.ro](http://vavedem.ro)

Va vedem din Sibiu is a civic movement, started less than 3 months ago, as a response to the abusive measurements of the ruling Social Democrats (PSD) against the laws of justice and the rule of law.

Nobody knew at first that starting from standing still and silent in front of the PSD headquarter in Sibiu, România, will soon turn into a very popular voice that raised more than 13k followers on Facebook, an impressive online media coverage, and the attention of international television and press (e.g Huffington Post, Public Dutch Television, RFI, Balkan Insight, Allegemeine Deutsche Zeitung).

We are frequently asked how it was possible for such a small and diverse group of people to attend a certain level of influential public speaking in such a short time. And the honest answer is that we have only allowed our untainted personal and community values to emerge into a consistent voice: the one of the citizens with rights.

**Represented by:** Smaranda Balan & Ciprian Ciocan

## SLOVENIA

### EPEKA

 [epeka.si](http://epeka.si)

 [facebook.com/epeka.slovenia](https://facebook.com/epeka.slovenia)

 [twitter.com/epekaslovenija](https://twitter.com/epekaslovenija)

EPEKA is an association of public interest in the field of culture and an association of public interest in the field of youth. We are a non-governmental, non-profit organization, and we have been operating by the principles of a social enterprise since 2013. In addition to youth activities, we are also active in the field of culture and arts, volunteering, ecology and promotion of intercultural dialogue.

**Represented by:** Štefan Simončič

### Knjižnica REČI (Library of Things)

 [knjiznicareci.si](http://knjiznicareci.si)

 [facebook.com/KnjiznicaRECI](https://facebook.com/KnjiznicaRECI)

Knjižnica REČI (Library of Things) is a place where you can borrow different items from 7 main categories. Our users can borrow objects, that they would need only occasionally or can't afford them on their own. This way they can save money, time and space. Our Library is located in a local community centre and is a result of a bigger project of the integrated urban renewal of Savsko naselje neighborhood. The library opened in January 2015 and has seen a steady growth of borrowed items in the last 3 years. It had also been presented several times as a good example of circular economy in Slovenia. Jošt Derlink started as a librarian in January 2016. In May 2016 he took over the position of project manager.

**Represented by:** Jošt Derlink

### Očistimo / Ecologists Without Borders

 [ocistimo.si](http://ocistimo.si)

 [facebook.com/Ekologibrezmeja](https://facebook.com/Ekologibrezmeja)

 [twitter.com/ocistimo](https://twitter.com/ocistimo)

Our mission is activation, motivation and cooperation of individuals, communities, policy makers, industry, businesses and researchers in the area of an efficient use of natural resources with the aim

to reduce costs, preserve energy and create new green jobs. We educate and build opportunities for waste prevention, separate collection, recycling and composting of materials in waste.

In 2010 and 2012, the association organized the largest environmental volunteer action in Slovenia, which attracted over 13% of the residents (over 270,000 people out of ca. 2 million inhabitants), including the heads of the state, the military and hundreds of organizations. Both Let's Clean Slovenia in One Day! (2010) and Let's Clean Slovenia 2012 broke the record as the largest civic initiatives in modern Slovenia, each time joining over 13% of the country's population. They removed 60,000 cubic metres (2,100,000 cu ft), or 12,000 tons of waste from 7000 landfills. For their achievement, the organization received the Order of Merit of Slovenia in 2010. In parallel, Ecologists Without Borders have been organizing other events for raising awareness about waste management issues and maintaining the register of illegal dumps that was developed in collaboration with Slovene mapping service Geopedia.

**Represented by:** Urša Zgojznic

## **Poligon**

 [poligon.si](http://poligon.si)  
 [facebook.com/PoligonCreativeCentre](https://facebook.com/PoligonCreativeCentre)

Polygon is a creative center based in the centre of Ljubljana which supports the development of non-profit and profit projects with the aim of empowering self-employed creators. It is a training ground for self-employed professionals and creative communities working in the field of creative economies, social entrepreneurship and culture.

**Represented by:** Luka Piskoric

## **SLOGA**

 [sloga-platform.org](http://sloga-platform.org)

SLOGA is a platform of non-governmental organizations (NGO), which work in the field of international development cooperation, global education and humanitarian aid. The aim of the platform is to connect and strengthen the partnerships among Slovenian NGOs, which are active and/or are raising awareness of Slovenian and European public about uneven distribution of global wealth and subsequent significance of global solidarity and interdependence.

**Represented by:** Albin Keuc & Robert Krizanic

## **Umanotera**

 [umanotera.org](http://umanotera.org)  
 [facebook.com/umanotera](https://facebook.com/umanotera)  
 [twitter.com/umanotera](https://twitter.com/umanotera)

We are all Umanotera - the Slovenian Foundation for Sustainable Development. We seek to promote sustainable development in national policies and to establish a balance between man and the environment. In doing so, we are guided by the principles of independence from the politics and the interests of capital, the quality of work done, honesty, sincerity and immediacy. Through our actions, we cultivate the values of entrepreneurship, creativity, partnership and quality.

**Represented by:** Andrej Gnezda

# SPAIN

## **Aktua**

 [aktualiderazgo.com](http://aktualiderazgo.com)  
 [facebook.com/AktuaLiderazgo](https://facebook.com/AktuaLiderazgo)  
 [twitter.com/aktualiderazgo](https://twitter.com/aktualiderazgo)

We use techniques and skills of sport coaching to help you effectively manage your team, achieving the welfare and happiness of the team members and consequently increase your performance.

**Represented by:** Miguel Llorente & Jofre Mateu


## **Aliança contra la Pobresa Energètica**

 [pobresaenergetica.es](http://pobresaenergetica.es)  
 [twitter.com/APE\\_Cat](https://twitter.com/APE_Cat)

The Aliança contra la Pobresa Energètica is a grassroots organization that intends to fight energy poverty by reclaiming a universal access to public services and the right to energy to fulfil basic human needs. Energy poverty in the Spanish state is a reality that already leads to the death of more than 7,000 people. In other words, 17% of the population has difficulty paying for electricity, gas or water. Too many families are forced to decide between paying the mortgage, paying for energy and water or feeding their children, and this without counting the groups of people who, due to health, cut off the supply energy puts your life in serious danger.

**Represented by:** Irene González Pijuan

## **Associació Planificació Familiar de Catalunya i Balears**

 [apfcib.org](http://apfcib.org)  
 [facebook.com/ObservatoriDSiR](https://facebook.com/ObservatoriDSiR)  
 [twitter.com/ObservatoriDSiR](https://twitter.com/ObservatoriDSiR)

We are a feminist organisation working on sexual and reproductive rights with a special focus on Violence against Women.

**Represented by:** Almudena Rodriguez Garcia & Ainhoa Yll

## **ATTAC Acordem**

 [acordem.org](http://acordem.org)  
 [facebook.com/attac.acordem](https://facebook.com/attac.acordem)  
 [twitter.com/ATTAC\\_ACORDEM](https://twitter.com/ATTAC_ACORDEM)

ATTAC Acordem is part of ATTAC Spain and ATTAC, which is a global network that works for democratisation and regulation of the economic and the financial system. We claim for profound changes in our economic systems towards equality, especially in a global perspective. In order to reach a sustainable and fairer system, we must confront and fight against the power and impunity of big corporations and financial institutions.

**Represented by:** Eugénie Clément & David Palomera

## **Barcelona en Comú**

[www.barcelonaencomu.cat](http://www.barcelonaencomu.cat)  
[facebook.com/bcnencomu](https://www.facebook.com/bcnencomu)

Barcelona en Comú is a citizen platform launched in June 2014 that is currently governing in minority in the City of Barcelona. Its policy agenda includes defending social justice and community rights, promoting participatory democracy, introducing mechanisms to tackle corruption, and developing a new model of tourism for Barcelona.

**Represented by:** Marina Fàbrega, Marta Junqué, Angelina Kussy & Laura Lopresti

## **Civio**

[www.civio.es](http://www.civio.es)  
[facebook.com/fundacioncivio](https://www.facebook.com/fundacioncivio)  
[twitter.com/civio](https://twitter.com/civio)

Fundación Ciudadana Civio (“Civio”) is a non-for-profit organization, specialized in data and investigative journalism, and visualizations. Civio’s main objective is to facilitate the access and interpretation of public information, as well as increasing citizens’ participation in public debate based on rigorous data, the disclosure of accounts, and the surveillance of public administrations through the use of primary sources. By combining technology and journalism, our projects address fields such as public procurement, budgets and expenditure, governmental pardons, public-private power networks and conflicts of interests. We provide free and open access to relevant public information, while contributing to the open knowledge ecosystem.

**Represented by:** Amir Campos

## **Comissió Catalana d’Ajuda al Refugiat**

[www.ccar.cat](http://www.ccar.cat)  
[facebook.com/ccarefugi](https://www.facebook.com/ccarefugi)  
[twitter.com/CCARefugi](https://twitter.com/CCARefugi)

The Catalan Commission for Refugee Aid aims to defend the right of asylum and the rights of refugees and immigrants. We question the alleged voluntary nature of migration and we want to open a debate on the forms of persecution and human rights violations that need some kind of protection. The Catalan Commission for Refugee Aid is inspired by a deeply ethical sense and values such as justice, solidarity, freedom and equality. The defence of these principles constitutes our main asset, strengthens and permeates all our actions and is the essential motivation of our work and existence.

**Represented by:** Miguel Parajes

## **Creación Positiva**

[www.creacionpositiva.org](http://www.creacionpositiva.org)  
[facebook.com/creacion.positiva](https://www.facebook.com/creacion.positiva)  
[twitter.com/CreaPositiva](https://twitter.com/CreaPositiva)

Creación Positiva is an NGO created in 2001 in Barcelona that works to offer holistic attention to people affected by HIV from a gender perspective, and sexual and reproductive rights. The promotion of health and the defence of human rights of all people is the axis of our mission. We do political

advocacy and counselling on sexual violence, as well as 2030 feminist agenda monitoring

**Represented by:** Montserrat Pineda Lorenzo & Laura Viladevall Corominas

### **ECOVE / Ecopreneurs for the Climate**

 [ecove.org](http://ecove.org)

 [twitter.com/ecove\\_org](https://twitter.com/ecove_org)

Ecove origins date back to Greenbiz, a social enterprise whose mission was to contribute with business solutions that are economically viable and socially empowering to the main environmental challenges at the local and global level. In February 2016, Greenbiz joined forces with many other sustainable Spanish SMEs to lay the foundation stones of ECOVE, sharing a common vision: develop green economy ecosystems and empower their key change agents; and bring the voice of SMEs and ecopreneurs to policy makers at regional, national, European and international level. Luis Morales Carballo is co-founder and director of ECOVE. But he is also the Spain country manager of Ecopreneurs for the Climate. Ecopreneurs for the Climate is a non-profit organization whose mission is to boost the creation and scale up the impact of cooperative, sound and sustainable businesses that tackle climate change.

**Represented by:** Luis Morales Carballo

### **Enginyeria Sense Fronteres**

 [esf-cat.org](http://esf-cat.org)

 [facebook.com/EnginyeriaSenseFronteres](https://facebook.com/EnginyeriaSenseFronteres)

 [twitter.com/ESFCatalunya](https://twitter.com/ESFCatalunya)

Enginyeria Sense Fronteres (Engineers Without Borders) is a development cooperation association formed by professional, teachers, students and volunteers working on guaranteeing universal access to basic services, accompanying social change and putting technology at the service of human development. We work on the interrelation between engineering and cooperation, either through training or awareness-raising in the university or professional field, development cooperation projects in the South or political advocacy campaigns in the North.

**Represented by:** Marti Kubesh Pinol

### **Entrelenguas**

 [entrelenguas.es](http://entrelenguas.es)

 [facebook.com/escuelaentrelenguas](https://facebook.com/escuelaentrelenguas)

 [twitter.com/entrelenguasays](https://twitter.com/entrelenguasays)

Entrelenguas is a cultural centre that aims to develop sustainable tourism, cultural tourism and linguistic tourism through activities founded on the Slow Travel philosophy for responsible travellers, Spanish courses for relaxed students and cultural events that offer a real experience with the local community. Leave the nonsense behind and get to know the real Ronda!

**Represented by:** Alejandro Montesinos and Javier Criado

## **Lara Galaup / Independent journalist**

 [twitter.com/gallaup](https://twitter.com/gallaup)

Lara Galaup is a Spanish independent journalist writing mainly on social issues and human rights, but also on the many consequences of the financial crisis in Spain. Last year, she launched a multimedia project about the refugee crisis called The Mud Chronicles for which she followed the Balkan route, from Macedonia to Croatia.

## **Plataforma de Afectados por la Hipoteca**

 [afectadosporlahipoteca.com](http://afectadosporlahipoteca.com)

Plataforma de Afectados por la Hipoteca (PAH) is a Spanish grassroots organization that takes direct action to stop evictions and campaigns for housing rights. PAH was set up in Barcelona in February 2009 and now has 150 branches across Spain. It was established in response to the 2008 financial crisis that triggered the bursting of the Spanish housing bubble.

**Represented by:** Javier Arizmendi Ruiz, Riano Baztan, Delia Antonia Ccerare Paniora & Maria del Rosario Rodea Bonica

## **Recircular**

 [recircular.net](http://recircular.net)

 [facebook.com/YourRecircular](https://facebook.com/YourRecircular)

 [twitter.com/recircular\\_net](https://twitter.com/recircular_net)

Recircular is an active and collaborative platform that connects businesses for the valorisation of waste as raw materials. In Recircular, we give a second life to industrial waste helping to reduce waste management costs and raw material purchasing costs, creating a positive social and environmental impact.

**Represented by:** Patricia Astrain

## **Stop Impunity**

 [stopcorporateimpunity.org](http://stopcorporateimpunity.org)

 [facebook.com/stopcorporateimpunity](https://facebook.com/stopcorporateimpunity)

 [twitter.com/StopTNCimpunity](https://twitter.com/StopTNCimpunity)

The Global Campaign to Reclaim Peoples Sovereignty, Dismantle Corporate Power and Stop Impunity is a network of over 200 social movements, networks, organisations and affected communities resisting the land grabs, extractive mining, exploitative wages and environmental destruction of TNCs in different global regions particularly in Africa, Asia and Latin America. The Campaign is a global structural response to unaccountable corporate power which provides facilitation for dialogue, strategizing, exchanging information and experiences, acting as a space for visibility of resistance and deepening of solidarity and support for struggles against TNCs.

**Represented by:** Mónica Vargas Collazos



## **Unitat Contra el Feixisme i el Racisme**

 [ucfr.cat](http://ucfr.cat)

 [facebook.com/unitatcfr](https://facebook.com/unitatcfr)

 [twitter.com/UnitatvsRacisme](https://twitter.com/UnitatvsRacisme)

We are a small organisation of activists based in Catalonia but with contacts in other parts of the Spanish state. Our work is to combat racist and fascist ideas wherever they appear, in the form of political parties or in institutions. At the last municipal elections in Catalonia our campaign meant the votes for the fascist party (PxC) dropped dramatically and they went from 67 to 7 councillors. Since then, our focus is also on rights for refugees and condemning the current situation. We have over 450 organizations who adhere UCFR, ranging from democratic political parties to trade unions and cultural associations. We promote actively at a local level and seek community involvement in our activities.

**Represented by:** Steve Cedar

## **SWEDEN**

### **FATTA**

 [fatta.nu](http://fatta.nu)

Fatta - meaning "get it" in Swedish - is a Swedish non-profit organisation fighting sexual violence and working for affirmative consent in legislation as well as in practice. Today's society and legal system as a problematic view of gender, sexuality and rape. But we believe that change is possible. And that we, together, can create that change. We welcome everybody, regardless of gender, to take part in creating a society where affirmative consent is the norm.

Fatta was born in September 2013, in response to a high-profile rape case in the northern city of Umea. Three young men, charged with raping a 15-year-old girl with a wine bottle until she was bleeding, were acquitted - to widespread public outrage. The organisations Femtastic and Make Equal decided to join forces and take action. As a result, Fatta was born.

**Represented by:** Elin Sundin

### **I AM YOU**

 [iamyou.se](http://iamyou.se)

 [facebook.com/iamyourescue](https://facebook.com/iamyourescue)

 [twitter.com/iamyourescue](https://twitter.com/iamyourescue)

I AM YOU is a humanitarian aid organization that protects human rights and makes the lives of displaced men, women and children better.

**Represented by:** Emma Södergren Wall

## **MOVE BY BIKE**

 [movebybike.se](http://movebybike.se)

What is cycle logistics? In short, we deliver goods on cargo cycles. The longer version is that our cargo bikes, some with electric assist, are capable of transporting up to 300kg of goods, up to two EU-pallets. From the humble Bullitt to the towering Radkutsche Musketier to our 2.4m long trailer, we have the vehicle that fits the cargo. We restock shops, transport food for catering services, deliver and pick up packages as well as furniture. And why not move entire apartments and offices. Oh, there is also the occasional envelope or two. All in a days ride!

**Represented by:** Jeppe Larsen

## **PUSH SVERIGE**

 [pushsverige.se](http://pushsverige.se)

PUSH SVERIGE is a youth sustainability network in Sweden that works with nature and environmental issues. The association operates primarily through a web-based platform aimed at creating contact, organizing events and driving opinions.

**Represented by:** Niklas Bjorklund

## **The Young Republic**

 [theyoungrepublic.org](http://theyoungrepublic.org)

 [facebook.com/the.young.republic](https://facebook.com/the.young.republic)

 [twitter.com/tyoungrepublic](https://twitter.com/tyoungrepublic)

The Young Republic is an award-winning youth organization, working to empower young refugees to foster their democratic participation, civic engagement and social inclusion in their new communities in Europe. The Young Republic idea started in mid-2014 and was registered in Sweden in January 2015. The concept of the organisation was initially to mobilize, organize and capacity-build Syrian youth in the diaspora who believe in democracy and human rights: to build a movement that would produce the foundations of a new democratic republic in Syria and be the dynamo of its establishment. With time, we understood that the priority for many of Syrians leaving in Sweden was how to cope with the reality “here and now”, i.e. the host community. In January 2016, we decided to change our approach and to focus on the challenges and needs of all young refugees in Europe in the field of participation and inclusion in their host communities.

**Represented by:** Mayssa Rekhis, Suzanne Glimmerveen, Adam Elsod, David Norcross

# **UNITED KINGDOM**

## **Beyond GM**

 [beyond-gm.org](http://beyond-gm.org)

 [facebook.com/BeyondGM](https://facebook.com/BeyondGM)

 [twitter.com/Beyond\\_GM](https://twitter.com/Beyond_GM)

Beyond GM was created to tackle the lack of engagement of citizens – as opposed to the ‘usual suspects’ of NGOs and ‘professional activists’ – in decisions about the direction and substance of policies, technologies and structures affecting food and farming throughout the world. It can be difficult to reach out to large groups of people – citizens who would never describe themselves as activists – who are nevertheless crucial in bringing about political and policy change. Our aim is to encourage and facilitate an intelligent, questioning, involved citizenship that cares about the provenance of food, the integrity of farming and is willing to defend and preserve it.

**Represented by:** Pat Thomas and Lawrence Woodward

### **The Democratic Society**

 [demsoc.org](http://demsoc.org)

 [facebook.com/demsoc](https://facebook.com/demsoc)

The Democratic Society (Demsoc) works for more and better democracy, where people and institutions have the desire, opportunity and confidence to participate together. We work to create opportunities for people to become involved in the decisions that affect their lives and for them to have the skills to do this effectively. We support governments, parliaments and any organisation that wants to involve citizens in decision making to be transparent, open and welcoming of participation. We actively support spaces, places and processes to make this happen. With offices in Brighton, Brussels, Edinburgh and Manchester, our work is undertaken by a talented and experienced team who are passionate about democracy and finding ways to make it work better. We're not for profit and non-partisan.

**Represented by:** Kelly McBride

### **Fashion Revolution**

 [fashionrevolution.org](http://fashionrevolution.org)

 [facebook.com/fashionrevolution.org](https://facebook.com/fashionrevolution.org)

 [twitter.com/fash\\_rev](https://twitter.com/fash_rev)

Fashion Revolution is a global movement calling for greater transparency, sustainability and ethics in the fashion industry. We want to unite the fashion industry and ignite a revolution to radically change the way our clothes are sourced, produced and purchased, so that what the world wears has been made in a safe, clean and fair way.

**Represented by:** Tatiana de Wée

### **Nature's Rights**

 [natures-rights.org](http://natures-rights.org)

 [twitter.com/NaturesRights](https://twitter.com/NaturesRights)

We're a non-profit organisation with an international network on a mission to establish legal personality and rights for ecosystems and species in law - and transform our inner and outer relationship with nature.

**Represented by:** Quentin Concha & Mumta Ito

## **Refugee Rights Data Project**

 [refugeerights.org.uk](http://refugeerights.org.uk)

 [facebook.com/RefugeeRightsEurope](https://facebook.com/RefugeeRightsEurope)

I am a recent Human Rights Graduate with a history of working with Youth with migration experiences in Berlin and the Calais refugee camp. Currently I am working as Advocacy and Communication Officer for the Refugee Rights Data Project, a human rights organization advocating for the rights of displaced people and refugees in Europe.

**Represented by:** Fee Mira Gerlach

## **Refugee Rights Europe**

Refugee Rights Europe is a human rights organisation researching and documenting the situation of refugees and displaced people in Europe. We use our independent research findings to call for human

rights-centred policy development across Europe, in accordance with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

**Represented by:** Marta Welander

# NOTES






# STAY IN TOUCH

 [greens-efa.eu](http://greens-efa.eu)

 [/GreensEFA](https://www.facebook.com/GreensEFA)

 [/greensep](https://twitter.com/greensep)

 [europeangreens.eu](http://europeangreens.eu)

 [/EuropeanGreens](https://www.facebook.com/EuropeanGreens)

 [/europeangreens](https://twitter.com/europeangreens)