



EUROPE – A Cultural Project

20 years Berlin Conference

Thursday, 7 November 2024

Allianz Forum, Pariser Platz 6, 10117 Berlin

European House, Unter den Linden 78, 10117 Berlin

- 12.30 pm** **Words of Welcome**
- 1 pm** **TALK:** 20 years of Berlin Conference and EU enlargement – The role and place of arts and culture in Europe
- Manuel Barroso (former President of the European Commission, requested)
Hans-Gert Pöttering (former President of the European Parliament)
Doris Pack (former Chair of the Committee on Culture and Education of the European Parliament)
Yuriy Vulkovsky (former Deputy Minister of Culture Bulgaria and Executive Director of Narodni Chitalishta Foundation)
Hosted by: Nele Hertling and Volker Hassemer
- 2.15 pm** **Coffee Break**
- 2.45 pm** **TALK:** Understanding the Now – How are arts and culture driving today’s political debates and the future of Europe?
- Salome Zurabishvili (President Georgia)
Maryia Gabriel (former Commissioner and former Minister of Foreign Affairs Bulgaria)
more Speaker tba
- Hosted by: Kathrin Deventer and Christophe Knoch
- 4 pm** **Change of location to European House**
Unter den Linden 78, 10117 Berlin (170m from Allianz Forum)
- 4.30 pm** **GET TOGETHER WITH PITCHES:** Pitch presentations of Speaker from the next day
- 6.30 pm** **End of Day 1**

Friday, 8 November 2024

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- 9 am** **Words of Welcome**
Thomas Krüger (President of Federal Agency of Civic Education)
- 9.20 am** **Presenting: A Soul for Europe Strategy Group**
How has A Soul for Europe utilised the power of art and culture for Europe over the last 20 years?
- 9.40 am** **IN CONVERSATION WITH...** - expectations and deceptions, commitments and decisions

Doris Pack (former Chair of the Committee on Culture and Education of the European Parliament)
Maryia Gabriel (former Commissioner and former Minister of Foreign Affairs Bulgaria)
Haris Pašović (theatre Director, Sarajevo, Bosnia)
Hosted by: Kathrin Deventer (Secretary General European Festival Association and Member of A Soul for Europe)
- 10.40 am** **Coffee Break**
- 11.00 am** **IN CONVERSATION WITH** Aiva Rozenberga (Lielā Talka, Riga, Latvia)
Alison Mooney (Speechwriter at the President of the European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium)
Hosted by: Nicolas Bertrand (Member of A Soul for Europe)
- 11.40 am** **SUMMARIZED BY**
Stephanie Bonnici (Member of A Soul for Europe)
Hannes Swoboda (former Chair of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament)
- 12 am** **Coffee Break**
- 12.15 pm** **BERLIN CONFERENCE CONVERSATION GROUPS**
in parallel sessions: discussion and consolidation of what has been heard, The audience is divided into groups

Session 1: James McVeigh (Festivals Edinburgh, Scotland)
Session 2: Necati Sönmez (Film critic, documentary Filmmaker, Istanbul, Turkey)
Session 3: Adama Sanneh (Co-Founder and CEO Moleskine Foundation, Milan, Italy)
Session 4: Grupo Sal (installation: Pluriversum)
Session 5: Dominika Kasprowicz (Villa Decius, Krakow, Poland)
Session 6: tba

2 pm

Lunch

3 pm

BERLIN CONFERENCE PLENUM: From Conversation to Analysis – networks and political analysts sketching fields for political actions on local, national and european level

Lars Ebert (Secretary General Culture Action Europe, Brussels, Belgium)

Rarita Zbranca (Programme Director Cluj Cultural Center, Cluj Napoca, Romania)

Davinia Galea (Founder and Managing Director – ARC Research & Consultancy, Malta)

More analysts tba

4.15 pm

Coffee Break

4.30 pm

BERLIN CONFERENCE PLENUM: From Analysis to Action – Committing to political processes

Samuel Azzopardi (President of the Gozo Region, Malta)

Shaqir Totaj (Mayor of Prizren, Kosovo)

Marcos Ros Sempere (Member of European Parliament)

John Boxall (Mayor of Birgu, Malta)

Rupert Cefai (Artistic Director, Malta)

Katti Hoflin (Director for cultural affairs in Västra Götaland, Sweden)

5.45 pm

Closing words

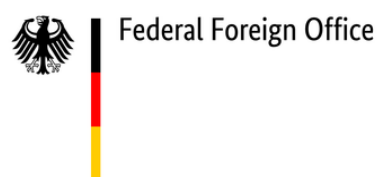
6 pm

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