



European Ombudsman

P. Nikiforos Diamandouros
European Ombudsman

European Year of Citizens 2013

Invitation

"It's our Europe: Let's get active!"

Interactive event, organised by the European Ombudsman

23 April 2013, 09.30-12.30

European Parliament, Brussels, József Antall Building, room 2Q2

The **European Ombudsman, P. Nikiforos Diamandouros**, is organising this event to help focus on European citizens and how they can concretely contribute to shaping the European Union, either by using the European Citizens' Initiative (ECI), by turning to the European Ombudsman, or by mobilising large groups of citizens to carry out grassroots initiatives.

The Ombudsman will be joined by the following top-level EU political figures to listen to, and engage with, European citizens:

Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament

Viviane Reding, Vice-President of the European Commission

Maroš Šefčovič, Vice-President of the European Commission

The programme will focus on two major themes:

09.30-11.00 Help solve the economic crisis

Alessandra Mirabile, Fraternité 2020 ECI

Marc Bertrand, Ombudsman of Wallonia and of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation

Didier Caluwaerts, G1000 Belgian citizens' movement

11.00-12.30 Build a clean and healthy Europe

Anne-Marie Perret, Right to Water ECI

Peter C. Göttsche, Campaigner for medical data transparency

Rainer Nölvak, Let's do it! World Cleanup

Moderator: **Chris Burns**, Euronews

A reception will immediately follow.

The event will be webstreamed at: www.ombudsman.europa.eu

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