



European Charter of Active Citizenship
- A common ground for European Civic Activism -
Conference
Vienna, 22 and 23 May 2006

Draft Programme

Day One: 22 May

Chairperson: Christiana Weidel, World of NGOs, Austria

- 9:00 – 9:30 *Registration*
- 9:30 – 10:00 *Opening Remarks*
Michael Häupl, Mayor, City of Vienna, Austria*
Carlo Salvatori, Vice-President, Unicredit Group, Italy*
- 10:00 – 10:15 *Presentation of Active Citizenship Network (ACN)*
Charlotte Roffiaen, Director, ACN, Italy
Presentation of Active Citizenship Foundation (FONDACA)
Giovanni Moro, President, FONDACA, Italy
- 10:15 – 10:45 *Presentation of the Project*
Cecília Fonseca, Project Manager, ACN, Italy
- 10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00 -13:00 *Presentation and Discussion of the European Charter of Active Citizenship*
Giovanni Moro, President, FONDACA, Italy
Stefano Rodotà, Ex-President of the European Data Protection Working
Party, Italy*
Ján Figel', Commissioner for Education, Training, Culture and
Multilingualism, European Commission*
- 13:00 – 14:30 Lunch
- Chairperson:** Bärbel Keim-Meermann, Sozialbüro Main-Taunus, Germany
- 14:30 – 17:00 *Discussion of the European Charter of Active Citizenship*

Discussion Part I: General Principles
Emil Brix, Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Austria*
Grace Attard, National Council of Women, Malta*
Open discussion

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Discussion Part II: Rights of Civic Participation

Representative of the European Economic and Social Committee
Christiana Weidel, World of NGOs, Austria
Open discussion

Discussion Part III: Public Institutions' Obligations

David Miliband, Minister of Communities and Local Government, UK*
Tina Divjak, Legal and Information Centre for NGOs, Slovenia
Open discussion

Discussion Part IV: Guarantees

Jurij Toplak, Professor Constitutional Law, Faculty of Law Maribor,
Slovenia
Luís Moreno, Animar, Portugal
Open discussion

17:00 - 17:30

Conclusions

Teresa Petrangolini, Secretary-General, Cittadinanzattiva, Italy

Day Two: 23 March

Chairperson:

Christian Neugebauer, Glocalist Review, Austria

9:30 - 10:00

Best Practices of Civic Participation

Cecília Fonseca, Project Manager ACN, Italy

10:00 – 11:30

Implementing the Charter

Ignasi Guardans Cambó, Member of the European Parliament*
Phil Jarrold, Wales Council for Voluntary Action, UK
Otakar Motejl, Ombudsman, Czech Republic*
Sabina Guzzanti, Writer-performer and Director, Italy*
Päivi Kaukoranta, Counsellor, Government Secretariat for EU Affairs,
Finland
Katerina Hadzi-Miceva, Legal advisor to the European Centre for Not-for-
Profit Law, Hungary
Guglielmo Minervini, Counsellor, Puglia Regional, Italy
Frédéric Simon, Journalist, Euractiv, Belgium*
Representative of Trade Union, Austria

11:30 – 12:30

General Discussion

12:30 – 12:45

Conclusions

Charlotte Roffiaen, Director ACN, Italy

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