#### Guideline for Speakers

- Presentation in English Maximum 5-10 minutes for each presentation

- It's Very Important that the Presentation is in Line with the Topic and it respects the time of the speech. We have a full program of activities and it's recommended to finish in time in order to be able o finish in time.

- Comparison between national case studies – Each Partner presents the situation and the experience in your Country.

The Workshops will have an interactive character in order to allow interaction between the participants on the concepts related to the topics covered in this event session.

- Send us the presentation in word version until 10 April 2024

#### Day 1 – 22 April 2024

The meeting includes presentations by experts, citizens and authorities, concluded by a discussion dedicated to the deepening - comparison between the various national cases.

# Workshop "Governance Democracy and Citizenship"

*Themes to be discussed*: The sphere of territorial governance is the one closest to citizens. Local communities are best placed to meet the needs of their citizens and find solutions adapted to the local context. We must work towards building a Europe based on the principles of democracy, transparency, responsibility and local autonomy.

#### Workshop "EUROPEAN YOUTH STRATEGY"

*Themes to be discussed*: New Strategy for Young Generations, Promoted by the European Commission. The EU developed an EU Youth Strategy and wants young people to engage and become an active citizen involved in democracy and society. We want young people to tell us what is important to them by taking part in the EU Youth Dialogue.

The EU Youth Strategy is the framework for EU youth policy cooperation for 2019-2027, based on the Council Resolution of 26 November 2018. EU youth cooperation shall make the most of youth policy's potential. It fosters youth participation in democratic life; it also supports social and civic engagement and aims to ensure that all young people have the necessary resources to take part in society.

## <u>Day 2 – 23 April 2024</u>

## Round Table "Twinning: the main instrument of integration"

*Themes to be discussed*: Twinning developed soon after 1945. Mayors and citizens were determined that war would never tear Europe apart again. To date, twinning has evolved a lot, allowing two or more Municipalities to focus on common issues, which allow citizens to overcome barriers and prejudices in a climate of brotherhood and solidarity.

## Round Table "European Challenges for the Future"

*Themes to be discussed*: Debate on the challenges that the EU will have to face in an increasingly multi-ethnic social context.

7 key challenges facing the European Union

- The defensive turn in EU security policy
- Turkey's rising contestation of the EU
- Top-down approach to climate change
- The EU's liberal backslide and migration conundrum
- Between intergovernmental and supranational human rights promotion
- Reassessing the EU's role in the liberal international order
- The EU's Russia challenge

#### Permanent Working Group

The permanent working groups were configured for the creation of a Final Dossier which collects the ideas, proposals and actions to identify and trace the lines of intervention by a Europe attentive to the needs of the society of the future.

The Final Dossier is a tangible starting point for the network's cooperation. To create further future collaborations in the planning field but also in the economic field.

## Topics:

- 1) "New Digital Citizenship"
- 2) "New Media Education"
- 3) "Europe and Sustainable Development"