

The Danube-Networkers invite to the 90th international session by
Videoconferencing:

Come together! Connecting people by culture!

Tuesday, 22.10.2024, 18:30-20:00 (6:30-8:00 p.m.) German time
some countries 07:30 p.m. (19:30), in other countries 05:30 p.m. (17:30)

“Fostering Citizen Participation & Democracy by digital and analogue tools”

Program (changes are possible):

- Short introduction of the session, moderation by **Carmen Stadelhofer (ILEU e.V., Ulm, Germany)** and **Marina Kuch (ILEU e.V., Ulm, Germany)**
- **Introduction of the participants:** Padlet map – who is joining us today?
- **Introduction to the topic via Zoom survey:** Write 3 keywords that come to mind when you think of participation
- **Input on the importance of Citizen Participation for democracy** by former State Secretary of Baden-Württemberg for Civil Engagement and Europe, **Ms. Gisela Erler (Berlin, Germany)**
- **Impressions, questions and thoughts** up to here: collecting feedback in plenum
- **Analogue possibilities of citizen participation, short input by Prof. Dr. Othmar Marti, University of Ulm, Germany**
- **Digital possibilities of citizen participation, short input by Carmen Stadelhofer (Ulm, Germany)**
- **Impressions, questions and thoughts** up to here: collecting feedback in plenum
- **Detailed Discussion in break out groups about analogue and digital possibilities:** examples, experiences, ideas, wishes:
 - Pros and cons of digital/analogue participation?
 - Do you find it easy to get involved in your city/country?
 - Have you ideas what you can do yourselves?
 - What do we need from local and EU level politics?
- **Discussion about the results of the break out groups in plenum & outlook:** Possibilities to further work on this topic?

A Zoom recorder will record the session. The performers mentioned above and the participants agree, that the video of this session will be published on the ILEU YouTube channel to give people, who were not able to participate in the session the possibility to be a part this sign of unity in times of corona crisis. In case of technical troubles, we hope for your understanding.

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