



**SUPPORTING DEMOCRATIC UNION  
AND ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP  
IN DIGITAL ERA**

# **5TH INTERNATIONAL EVENT - THE FUTURE IS DIGITAL**

**22ND & 23RD JUNE 2021**

**ONLINE**

New technologies enable citizens to directly address policymakers, making democracy more representative and participative. On the other side, this may increase the spread of fake news and disinformation.

The project **DIGITAL** promotes collaboration among policy-makers and citizens from 15 countries, to stimulate democratic and civic participation across Europe, and to support democratic Union in the digital era. The topic of the event is "**The future is digital**" and it will be the occasion to discuss and exchange on the future of the European Union, the impact of the digital transformation, and the place of the citizen in this transformation.

As you will see in the registration form, the DIGITAL event is part of the week of the 21st ALDA General Assembly where various events will take place, [here](#).

**Do not forget to register for the event**

**[REGISTRATION LINK](#)**

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22.06.2021

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### SESSION 1 - DIGITAL'S OPENING SESSION

Addressing the topic of digital transformation and democracy for the future of Europe with key speakers: EU and the challenge of digital, Conference on the Future of Europe, Digital at the service of citizens



[Zoom link](#)

- **Virgilio Dastoli, President of the European Federalist Movement in Italy**
- **Antonella Valmorbida, Secretary General - ALDA**
- **Gilles Pelayo, Head of Units, Europe for citizens programme - EACEA**



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### SESSION 2 - THE FUTURE IS DIGITAL

The session will bring to the table different actors working in the digital and have their view on this digital future. It will showcase best practices that give a significant contribution to the “digital transition” at the EU level.



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- **Ruth-Marie Henckes, Advocacy and Communications Coordinator - European Partnership for Democracy**
- **David Frautschy Heredia, Director for European Government and Regulatory Affairs - Internet Society**
- **Rait Pihelgas, Member of the European Committee of the Regions**



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## SESSION 4 - A YOUTH DIGITAL FUTURE

Often the future is represented by the youth. During the session, there will be the opportunity to have a panel discussion with youth organizations and see their vision of the future and most specifically on digital.



[Zoom Link](#)

- **Francesca Passudetti, Head of the Italian Y20 delegation and delegate for the innovation, digitalization and future of work - Young Ambassadors Society**
- **Thomas Trevisan, Membership Officer - Young Professionals in Foreign Policy Brussels**
- **Janis Fifka, International board member - European Youth Parliament**



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## SESSION 5 - LE NUMÉRIQUE POUR LES CITOYENS

Cette session sera axée sur le niveau local et sur la manière dont la numérisation constitue une opportunité et un défi pour les autorités locales. Le panel de discussion présentera le travail effectué par les autorités locales.

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TOPIC: DIGITAL FOR CITIZENS - This session will be focused on the local level and how at this level digitalization is an opportunity and a challenge for local authorities. The panel discussion will present the work done by the local authorities.



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- **Jonathan Wofsy, Maire de Chevry-cossigny (France)**
- **Pascal Goergen, Échevin de la Participation citoyenne, de l'État civil, de la Population, de la Transition numérique, de la Digitalisation, des Relations et Partenariats internationaux de la commune de Grez-Doiceau (Belgique)**



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## SESSION 6 - ALIMENTATION NUMÉRIQUE : UN FUTUR PLUS DURABLE DANS NOS ASSIETTES?

Du producteur au consommateur, quelles sont les technologies qui peuvent changer radicalement l'impact de notre système alimentaire, et comment ?

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TOPIC: DIGITAL FOOD: A MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE ON THE TABLE - From producer to consumer, what are the technologies that can dramatically change the impact of our food system, and how?

- **Madame Isabelle Albert**, Auteure, conférencière, administratrice et consultante engagée dans la transition durable. Vice-présidente de Digital Réunion, administratrice de la FrenchTech Réunion, co-organisatrice de NxSE Afrique-Océan Indien, directrice de GirlsInTechRun. Spécialisée dans l'innovation numérique au service de l'environnement et l'entrepreneuriat à impact, et auteure de « Tech it green. Construire la double révolution du 21e siècle ».
- **Madame Doris Marquardt**, Chargée de programme à la Commission européenne au sein de la Direction générale de l'agriculture et du développement rural (DG AGRI), Unité B2 - Recherche et innovation
- **Madame Isabelle Piot-Lepetit**, Économiste à l'INRAE (l'Institut national de la recherche agronomique), et Directrice adjointe de l'Institut Convergences Agriculture Numérique
- **Monsieur Sébastien Weykmans**, Administrateur Délégué de WalDigiFarm, une association qui participe à valoriser et favoriser l'usage du numérique dans le secteur agricole wallon



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