



CITIZENS' CONFERENCE AND DIALOGUE TOGETHER WE ACT STRONGER

**26 – 28 October 2023
Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria**

DRAFT PROGRAM

25 October 2023

After 12.00

Arrival of the international participants

hotel Bolyarski, Veliko Tarnovo /<https://www.bolyarski.com/en/>

19.00

Supper /for those coming late – supper in the fridge/

Meeting at the Lobby – going together to the restaurant

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10:00 – 12.30

History Hunt

10.00 – meeting at the lobby – TRANSFER to Arbanassi

10.30 – entry to Nativity church – UNESCO patronage

Walk in Arbanasi

12:00

Lunch (international participants)

Arbanassi OR Shastlivetsa Restaurant, Veliko Tarnovo

After 12:00

Arrival of the domestic participants

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Working language: English

- 16:30** **Opening of the working event**
Hotel Bolyarski Veliko Tarnovo, Conference Centre
Moderator: Assya Rafaelova, Project Coordinator, Altius Foundation, Madrid
(leading organization)
- 16:30 – 16:40** **Opening address and project presentation**
Dr Teodora Kaleynska, EIC, EDC Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria
- 16:40 – 16:45** **Explanation of the Methodology : how we are going to work**
Assya Rafaelova, Altius Foundation, Madrid (leading organization)
- Division into small mixed international groups.
Discussion of the recommendations, Drafting the recommendations for the
Final Citizens' Europe e-Paper
- 16:45 – 18:30** **1 group – Climate Change/European Green Deal – moderator Dr Romyana Grozeva, EDIC Stara Zagora, Bulgaria + Nikolaos Kazaklaris, Thessaloniki, Greece**
Hotel Conference Centre – Plenary hall
- 2 group – E-democracy – moderator EDIC Smolyan + Donatas Versescas, Lithuania**
Hotel Conference Centre – Small room
- 3 group – Young and old people inclusion– moderator Bistra Choleva, BIDA, Germany**
Hotel Conference Centre – Lobby
- 4 group – Equality in Europe – moderator Asya Rafaelova, Altius Foundation, Madrid, Spain**
Hotel – Cafeteria (terrace)
- 5 group – Migration & Security – moderators: Socrates Socratous, Nikosia, Cyprus**
Hotel Conference Centre – Plenary hall (media arch)
- 19.10** **meeting at the Lobby, going to Panoramic terrace**
- 19:45 – 20.15** **Light and Sound Show**
Panoramic terrace “Light and Sound Show”, Cathedral
- 20:30 – 22:00** **Supper**
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- 09:30** Leaving of the participants to the venue:
Panoramic terrace “Light and Sound Show”, Cathedral
- 10:00** **Opening of the Citizens’ Conference Together we act stronger**
Dr Teodora Kaleynska, EIC, EDC Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria
- 10:30 – 12:00** **Citizens’ dialogue with high level key speakers:**
Teodor Stoychev (European Parliament Liason office, Head),

Moderator: Prof. Ingrid Shikova
- 12.00 – 12.15** **Presenting the Citizens’ Europe e-Paper**
Speakers of the working groups
- 12:20 – 12:30** **Closing of the event/ certificates**
- 12:30 – 14:00** Lunch
- 14:00 – 17:00** **Cultural event / Free time – Bulgarian group**
Transfer to Arbanassi
(**16.00** - visit to Nativity church, **Arbanassi** /UNESCO patronage/; city history hunt)
- 20:00 – 24.00** **Networking party “WE, the EU pioneers in Bulgaria”**
Hotel Restaurant Bolyarski

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- 09:30 –** **Breakfast and Departures**
Free time in Veliko Tarnovo

