

We live in an era of constant change, where we always need to adapt and to prepare for what comes next. On 25th February 2021, we welcome a group of young people to debate topics connected to the future of Europe, and the challenges and opportunities they represent. Together we will brainstorm, discuss and produce ideas that can be put into action in the real world!

# Programme - 25th February 2021

### 10:00-10:30 Opening session

• Welcome to the European Parliament

Moderation: Maria Tuomela, European Parliament, Visits and Seminars Unit

#### 10:30-11:15 Idea Labs in breakout rooms

Participants discuss the topics in breakout rooms and propose their concrete ideas to the MEP during the closing session.

# Digitalisation, social media and democracy

Covid-19 restrictions have changed how citizens are able to make their voices heard. How can we make use of digital technologies to guarantee citizens' involvement in democratic processes online?

### Three topics of discussion

2. The Green transition

The pandemic has imposed changes in our lifestyle. What opportunities are there for a greener future? How to make sure Europe's recovery from Covid-19 respects the climate and environment?

### 3. Human rights

The EU is a promoter and defender of human rights all around the world. How can we ensure the effectiveness of its policies? Can we trade, protect our environment or manage migration without causing unnecessary suffering to others?

## 11:15-12:00 Closing session

Interactive discussion with MEP Karlo Ressler (EPP, HR)

- MEP and group introductions (10 min)
- Groups present results of workshops (15 min)
- MEP reactions to ideas and discussion (20 min)