

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	[101081484] – [Democracy International] [DI]
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Project name and acronym:	[Parliament for the Future of Europe] — [PaFutEU]

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	[8]
Event name:	Get to know your candidates, get to know your constituents
Type:	[OTHER]
In situ/online:	<i>In situ</i>
Location:	Tallinn, Estonia
Date(s):	9 May, 2024
Website(s) (if any):	<a href="https://www.democracy-international.org/pafuteu">https://www.democracy-international.org/pafuteu</a> <a href="https://humanrights.ee/uritused/mini-haal-euroopas-vestlus-euroopa-parlamendi-kandidaatidega/">https://humanrights.ee/uritused/mini-haal-euroopas-vestlus-euroopa-parlamendi-kandidaatidega/</a> <a href="https://fb.me/e/21pp6NJAY">https://fb.me/e/21pp6NJAY</a> <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/C6qeiPxOA26/">https://www.instagram.com/p/C6qeiPxOA26/</a> <a href="https://estonia.representation.ec.europa.eu/uudised-ja-uritused/euroopa-paev-et#euroopa-p%C3%A4ev-tallinnas">https://estonia.representation.ec.europa.eu/uudised-ja-uritused/euroopa-paev-et#euroopa-p%C3%A4ev-tallinnas</a> <a href="https://fb.me/e/5xZuBzC06">https://fb.me/e/5xZuBzC06</a> <a href="https://tv.delfi.ee/artikkel/120291886/jarelvaadatav-mini-haal-euroopas-vestlus-euroopa-parlamendi-kandidaatidega">https://tv.delfi.ee/artikkel/120291886/jarelvaadatav-mini-haal-euroopas-vestlus-euroopa-parlamendi-kandidaatidega</a>
Participants	
Female:	17
Male:	15
Non-binary:	0
From country 1 [EE] :	32
Total number of participants:	32
From total number of countries:	1
Description	
Provide a short description of the event and its activities.	

“My voice in Europe - a discussion with candidates for the European Parliament” took place on Europe Day at the Tallinn Freedom Square during the celebrations organised by the European Commission office in Estonia. The Europe Day event saw up to 3000 attendees.

The event was directly shared beforehand with 28 groups, associations, and organisations, among whom were 11 youth centres, 8 social centres and 9 other organisations with a focus on underrepresented groups such as youth, disabled persons, LGBTQIA+ people and women. The associations and organisations were called to share the event among their networks. The event was distributed on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), on the Estonian Human Rights Centre [webpage](#) and weekly [newsletter](#). The European Commission office in Estonia also shared the event on [Facebook](#) and their [webpage](#).

The discussion was attended by candidates from six major political parties in Estonia:

- Marina Kaljurand (Social Democratic Party)
- Lavly Perling (Right-wing Party)
- Evelyn Sepp (Green Party)
- Luukas Kristjan Ilves (Reform Party)
- Urmas Reinsalu (Fatherland Party)
- Margus Tsahkna (Eesti 200)

Most of the discussion participants were leading candidates from the parties. The discussion was moderated by Sigrid Solnik from SpeakSmart.

There were 32 signed participants who joined the event. However, as it was an open air event, many were unwilling to fill the signup sheet and the actual number of participants was much higher, with about 200 people taking part of the event in some capacity in person. Additionally, the event was live streamed on news site Delfi.ee, which saw 1002 unique viewers during the event. The live stream will remain available and can be accessed [here](#). The event saw a high representation of women and elderly people.

The event was opened with a short opening statement from Joosep Nahkor, Project Manager from the Estonian Human Rights Centre, with an introduction of the PaFutEU project and main findings from citizens’ panels. The event tackled four topics, including citizen participation in Europe, democracy, human rights, migration/refugees and digital rights/AI. The panel of candidates voiced their opinions on proposals from the PaFutEU project’s citizens’ panels and compared their votes to those of participants, who voted through the sli.do platform. Every topic had an in depth discussion as well where candidates had 2 minutes for opening statements and 1 minute for remarks, inspired by the European Parliament speaking system.

Participants had the opportunity to ask questions on the sli.do platform, 4 candidates also took the opportunity to speak with participants face-to-face after the event. The event had an info-table with information materials on the European Parliament elections, including leaflets, QR-codes to [together.eu](#) and a quiz on the European Parliament. The Parliament for the Future of Europe Catalogue of Ideas was available at the event by QR-codes.