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[From the Communication Playbook](#)

10 facts on climate change: The Commission released a short video listing 10 key facts you should know about climate change. The video highlights the dangers climate change poses to people across the world, and what steps the EU is taking to fight climate change. Watch the video on [Twitter](#).



Pandemic and infodemic: parallel waves? The European Digital Media Observatory has been publishing monthly briefs about disinformation in the EU since July 2021, and have now analyzed all the published briefs looking for patterns that emerge over the the past seven months, to understand what we can expect for the coming future. [More](#).



EU 2022, Source: EC AV Service, ID:P-053440/00-08, The vaccination hub (Covid-19) at the University of Malta., 27/01/2022, Photographer: Matthew Mirabelli

The DGs are calling on you ...

Here comes the **MeetEU joint campaign** with the Parliament and the CoR to promote schools' participation in CoFE. Meet EU is a citizens' organisation that aims to engage teachers and students in CoFE and experience participatory democracy. We've put together for you the resources needed, including the [website](#) and a specific [campaign](#) targeted to young Europeans. Don't hesitate to reach out to our colleague Irenella Sardone at irenella.sardone@ec.europa.eu for the e-mail template to be sent to school authorities that summarizes the goals of the campaign.

CoFE ...

The latest news brought to you this week:

- **What do Europeans think?** On 25 January, the Commission published a special Eurobarometer [survey](#) on the future of Europe.
- **Linking the levels of democracies:** On 27 January, the CoR adopted a new Resolution on CoFE suggesting a more important role for citizens, regions and cities in EU policy-making”. [Link](#).
- **European Citizens’ Panel in Maastricht:** Between 11 and 13 February, the third and final meeting of the European Citizens’ Panel 4 debating on the “EU in the world” and “migration” will be held in the European Institute for Public Administration in Maastricht. [Link](#).
- **European Citizens’ Panel in Dublin:** Between 25 and 27 February, the European Citizens’ Panel 1 debating on a “stronger economy, social justice, jobs”, “education, youth, culture, sport”, and “digital transformation” will hold its third and final meeting in the Institute of International and European Affairs in Dublin.
- On 25 January, “euronews” published an **interview with Vice-President Dubravka Šuica** about the state of play of CoFE. [Link](#)

The road to Milan

Our General Meeting is steadily approaching ... You will hear shortly about the practical arrangements; so make sure you **stay tuned for the newsletter weekly reads**. This week’s sneak preview: we would like to offer an event where **you can also take the wheel**. For this we will find ways to involve the Representations and you in the process. Oh, and a quick one: be sure you **keep reading the news in the CoFE box** as the citizens’ recommendations will be an important point on the event agenda. More will follow.