

# A LOOK INSIDE THE WORLD FORUM FOR DEMOCRACY



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2500 participants.  
More than  
100 countries.  
All continents.

Open and free for  
anyone who wants  
to share ideas  
on how to make  
democracy stronger

An annual event organised jointly by:

- ▶ Council of Europe
- ▶ European Parliament
- ▶ French Authorities
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Initiated in 2012, the World Forum for Democracy is a platform for dialogue and innovation in democratic governance, which promotes the Council of Europe principles across the world. A unique event of its kind, it addresses key CHALLENGES facing democracy taking as a starting point ground-breaking initiatives, and fostering debate between different actors in order to find concrete SOLUTIONS. A democratic exercise in itself, the Forum aims at giving the people – demos – their rightful place in political decision-making. It thus contributes to the evolution of democracy towards more participatory and inclusive structures and institutions, and to the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 16 on building just and peaceful societies.

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## WORLD FORUM FOR DEMOCRACY KEY THEMES

- ▶ Innovation
- ▶ Participation vs influence
- ▶ Inclusive decision-making
- ▶ Participatory democracy
- ▶ E-democracy
- ▶ Competences for democratic citizenship
- ▶ Democracy literacy
- ▶ Freedom vs control

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