



# ANNUAL FORUM

## European Ecological Citizenship

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 **OECD Auditorium**  
2 rue André Pascal – 75016 Paris



In February 2018, Comité 21 organized its first annual Forum on Ecological Citizenship. In 2019, with the European elections, the second edition is devoted to the study of ecological citizenship in Europe. We will examine the new expressions of ecological citizenship in Europe and how they can impact the pace of the ecological transition but also the construction of the European Union.

## 9:00 Welcome of the participants

## 10:00 Opening speeches

- ★ **Bettina LAVILLE**, Chair of Comité 21
- ★ **Aziza AKHMOUCH**, Head of Division, Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD
- ★ **Laurence MONNOYER-SMITH**, General Commissioner, Ministry for the Ecological and Inclusive Transition

## 11:00 Round table 1

### What demands are expressed through a new ecological citizenship in Europe?

Facilitated by **Marion ROTH**, Director of Décider Ensemble

In addition to the public action already implemented in the various European countries to facilitate consultation and participation, "ecological citizenship" is also concretely manifested on the ground through organized or spontaneous citizen initiatives. Another form of expression of citizens' expectations is manifested in a more radical way for climate action through the multiplication of lawsuits, youth strikes, citizen marches... These various actions demonstrate the virulence and vitality of the exercise of this "ecological citizenship". This first round table will aim to provide an overview of the different forms and aspirations of citizen mobilizations in Europe for sustainable development.

- ★ **Loïc BLONDIAUX**, Professor of Political Science at the University Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne
- ★ **Claire EGNELL**, Student Manifesto for an Ecological Awakening
- ★ **Mr. Arnaud GOSSEMENT**, Associate lawyer, Gossement Avocats
- ★ **Eamon O'HARA**, Founder of ECOLISE, European network of green citizen initiatives
- ★ **Goksen SAHIN**, Communication coordinator of People's Climate Case, Climate Action Network Europe (CAN Europe)

## 12:30 Lunch

## 14:00 Round table 2

### How do organizations integrate the aspirations of ecological citizenship in Europe?

Facilitated by **Julien GOUPIL**, Director of Empreintes Citoyennes

Ongoing societal changes are increasingly questioning the way in which non-state actors (local collectivities, businesses, associations, organized social networks) carry out their activities. Social acceptability and the quest for meaning, transparency and concern for ecological exemplarity, strong demands of citizens and civil society

Several speakers from different countries of the European Union will be invited to take stock of this citizenship and reflect on the impact of this citizenship on public and private organizations and institutions. The debates should address both the role of European citizens in the ecological and energy transition and the European Union one to implement this transition, in particular with the 2030 Agenda perspective.

in general, push public and private organizations to imagine and implement their strategy differently. Lessons can thus be drawn from European comparisons as to how to better consider the aspirations expressed by ecological citizenship.

- ★ **Paula BYRNE**, Director of Sustainability Management & Networks, CSR Europe, European Business Network for Corporate Social Responsibility
- ★ **Pierre GUYARD**, Director of Institutional Relations, ENGIE Cofely
- ★ **François MOISAN**, Executive Director, Strategy, Research and International, ADEME, French Agency for Energy Management and Environment
- ★ **Matthieu RIOS**, Project manager, Civic involvement and ecological transition, City of Malaunay
- ★ **Michiel de VRIES-HERSCHBERG**, Coordinator of the EEAC Network (European Environment and Sustainable Development Advisory Councils Network)

## 15:30 Coffee break ☕

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## 16:00 Round table 3

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### Can the Agenda 2030 be the base of the European renewal in the 21<sup>st</sup> century?

Facilitated by **Raymond VAN ERMEN**, European Partners for the Environment

The European Union is facing its greatest political crisis since its creation: from the inside, it is threatened by the rise of nationalisms that go as far as advocating the dislocation of the Union; outside, several world powers question the main political basis of the Union, namely multilateral cooperation between states. Economic competition and "soft power" between the different regions of the world pushes the European Union to position itself as to the political, economic, cultural and social model that it wishes to defend. And if sustainable development, well-being and listening to citizens become the central elements to get out of the European crisis? Why not imagine a Europe that would rely on the 2030 Agenda both to shine internationally and attract new talent but also to lay the foundations for a new political promise to its citizens?

- ★ **Günther BACHMANN**, Director of the German Council for Sustainable Development
- ★ **Evelyne HUYTEBROECK**, Deputy, City councilor of Forest, Belgium
- ★ **Anna-Kaisa ITKONEN**, European Commission spokesperson for Climate Action and Energy
- ★ **Sabina RATTI**, Senior Advisor for International Relations of ASviS, Italian Alliance for Sustainable Development, and co-chair of SDSN Italy
- ★ **Daša Šašić ŠILOVIĆ**, Chair of CEE Network for gender issues, member of European Partners for the Environment

## 17:30 Conclusion

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- ★ **Peter SCHMIDT**, President of the European Observatory on Sustainable Development
- ★ **Roland RIES**, Mayor of Strasbourg (European City)
- ★ **Bettina LAVILLE**, Chair of Comité 21

## 18:00 End of the day

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