



Final Document

The Foundations and Organizations participating in the project promoted within the Community's Programme "Europe for citizens", aimed at the formation of responsible European Citizenship

state

the positive experience realised by implementing the programme in two States of the Union; Italy and Romania. This fact has allowed a discussion in various contexts on the same topic of active and organized citizenship, between European citizens coming from Italy, Romania, England, Northern Ireland, Czech Republic and Poland, countries that have become members of the European Union at different moments.

take note

with satisfaction that the European Union is aiming to effectively develop the principle of participatory democracy, together with representative democracy, assuring legally respected spaces for Civil Society expression and continued expansion of the arena for participation.

assert

that what so far said is conditioned by the ratification of the Treaty of Lisbon, noting that if ratification happens within this year, the elections of the European Parliament of June 2009 can be carried out in a defined institutional context; and does not exclude further steps ahead in the process of democratisation of the European Union.

think

that the objective of responsible and active European citizenship so far involves an unsatisfactory percentage of people and therefore the European Union, the Member States and the regional and local Institutions should implement suitable programmes aimed to consolidate the relationships between citizens and institutions, to allow citizens to perceive the opportunity of decentralisation at several levels of political power, in order to concur with the Union and the Member States, to answer positively to the challenges of globalisation.

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ever greater connections between the Foundations and Organizations of European Civil Society with the aim of creating one extensive and efficient network, suitable to confirm the substantial affirmation of participatory democracy.



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Fundatia Chance for Life -Romania

Liberecká občanská společnost - LOS - Czech Republic

Koalice nevládek Pardubicka - Czech Republic

National Council for Voluntary Organisations- NCVO - England, UK

Northern Ireland Council for Voluntary Action - NICVA - Northern Ireland, UK

Ochotnicze Hufce Pracy - OHP - Poland

Europazentrum Graz - Austria

Casa d'Europa di Palermo - Italy

Casa d'Europa di Siracusa - Italy

Casa d'Europa di Enna -Italy

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