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ANNUAL DIALOGUE

*bringing policymakers together to discuss
the big political questions of our time*

DURATION	2.5 days
PARTICIPANTS	40+
TOPIC	Big picture European political challenges
FORMAT	Ad-hoc
REGISTRATION	Necessary

The Annual Dialogue is an opportunity for policymakers from across Europe to come together across party lines and exchange perspectives on today's big picture political challenges. This unique format allows you as a member of parliament to engage in peer-to-peer conversations with your colleagues and gain first-hand insights into the political realities of different member states across Europe. You will be given a chance to explore key policy challenges and best practices, informed by the insights of leading experts, and do so in a protected and trusting environment.

POLICY WORKSHOPS

digging deeper into a specific policy challenge

DURATION	1.5 days
PARTICIPANTS	10-15+
TOPIC	Pre-identified policy or political challenge
FORMAT	Flexible, usually involving a mixture of expert input and participatory exchange
REGISTRATION	Necessary

Our policy workshops gather a selected group of policymakers with a joint interest in deepening their understanding of a specific policy or political challenge. The objective of these workshops is for participants to be able to gather information and exchange political views and best practices. The format of these workshops is flexible as each exchange is carefully designed to reflect the purpose and topic at hand. These workshops can take the form of policy briefings, scenario exercises, fact-finding missions and field-trips, or take on a more open-agenda format.



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ONLINE

MP OPEN CALLS

your direct line to Europe's policymakers

DURATION	60 minutes every month
PARTICIPANTS	5-10
TOPIC	Open-agenda
FORMAT	Open discussion and break-out rooms
REGISTRATION	Not necessary

Open calls are an opportunity to connect informally and on a regular basis, with other members of parliament on the network. The OED will allow you to check in with your peers for one hour every two months. We will act as hosts and facilitators, but it is the participants that will bring their own questions and topics to the table. The open-agenda format provides maximum flexibility: no registration is required, topic suggestions can be made spontaneously, and different topics can be discussed by different sub-groups of MPs as the conversation format will adapt to the number of people and topics on the call.

OED120

policymakers deep dive into a critical topic with the help of external expertise

DURATION	120 minutes
PARTICIPANTS	10-15
TOPIC	Dig deeper into a specific topic
FORMAT	Expert input and guided discussions
REGISTRATION	Necessary – limited spots available

The OED120 format allows parliamentarians to receive a concise briefing, ask questions to an expert and discuss with their colleagues a narrowly defined topic during a 120-minute video call. The OED provides professional facilitation to extract the most value out of the discussions. Policymakers get the chance to share their own perspectives with their colleagues, while having topic expertise on hand for questions and clarifications. Topics are chosen as they emerge through the network as ripe for a more in-depth discussion, or they are suggested by members of the network, or by the network of MED researchers and experts. MP network members can initiate these calls, as well as volunteer their own expertise on a topic of their choosing.



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OED POLICY SPRINT

a focused working-group for policymakers to work together on solutions

DURATION	3-4 meetings of 90/120 minutes
PARTICIPANTS	5-10
TOPIC	Together with a group of MPs this is pre-defined, and a specific problem statement is identified
FORMAT	Design sprint methodology for collaborative problem-solving
REGISTRATION	Necessary, engages the participant for the whole series of meetings - limited spots available

Following the steps of the design sprint methodology, a group of committed MPs tackles one topic from problem exploration to working out a feasible way forward with a limited number of highly focused meetings. This approach is perfectly suited for groups that have a rough idea of a specific problem area they are thoroughly invested in addressing and need a guided process through which to formulate a common and impactful response. This approach is light on expert input and relies on MPs' initiative and ongoing contribution to pull through from start to finish.