

Report of Conference on the Future of Europe Talk
organised by CoR Member **Hans Peter Doskozil** (PES, Austria)

High-level roundtable on youth and the Future of Europe



Organised by:	Land Burgenland
Partners:	CoR, European Parliament, European Commission
Date and time of the event:	February 25 th 2022, 13:00-15:00
Event type:	Hybrid
Location(s) of event:	Peace Castle Schlaining, Friedensburg Schlaining Rochusplatz 1 A-7461 Stadtschlaining Friedensburg Schlaining
Total number of participants:	50 on site, 4 dedicated students online who were actively taking part and were displayed all the time on stage, other participants online only via live stream
Type of participants:	Politicians, academics, youth representatives, professionals from the public administration and private sector
Name of CoR Members participating:	Hans Peter Doskozil
Name(s) of representatives from other EU institutions:	Othmar Karas , First Vice President of the European Parliament, Martin Selmayr , Representative of the European Commission in Austria
Name(s) of national ministers participating:	Verena Dunst , President of the Regional Parliament, Delegate to COFE Daniela Winkler , Provincial councillor for Youth, Education and Family
Conference on the Future of Europe theme(s) covered during the event:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Climate change and the environment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A stronger economy, social justice and jobs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EU in the world <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Values and rights, rule of law, security <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> European democracy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education, culture, youth and sport

Other ideas:	Importance of the EU as a successful Peace Project in light of current events in Ukraine
Permanent Dialogue Mechanism:	<p>1) Promote the EU not only as an economic project but even more as a peace project. Russian aggression in Ukraine shows this in a dramatic way.</p> <p>2) Increase dialogue with youth. Burgenland is therefore organising youth plenaries in the regional parliament. The initiative targets pupils aged 16+. The goal is to interest, inspire and invite young people to join the conversation and actively shape politics. See: Burgenländischer Landtag</p> <p>3) Increase awareness that building renewable energy facilities (windmills and photovoltaic fields) will not only help to manage the climate crisis but also to decrease energy dependency and get out of nuclear and gas-based energy.</p> <p>4) Promote European youth exchange programs (e.g. Erasmus, but also the CoR's YEP program) not only to increase young people's career opportunities through good education but also to give them a European identity.</p> <p>5) Promote the value of a social Europe. In order to be sustainable, we need cohesion across Europe in many fields but especially also in the social dimension.</p>
Hyperlinks to web / press / social media coverage:	<p>Press release Land Burgenland: Konferenz zur Zukunft Europas Article of ORF Burgenland (following the news story on TV): Ukraine: Doskozil signalisiert Unterstützung</p> <p>Instagram: land_burgenland, burgenland_europa, doskozil, othmarkaras, verenadunst, danielawinkler4u, mselmayr, bgf_europa</p> <p>Twitter: @RainerWinter71, @MartinSelmayr, @bgf_europa, several posts by @EUKommWien, retweets by @othmar_karas, @Marga_Kopeinig</p> <p>And many other local newspapers and websites</p>
Hyperlinks to pictures:	<p>Press release of Land Burgenland: Konferenz zur Zukunft Europas Twitter: @RainerWinter71</p>

