

Our Hope for Europe - *The Conference on the Future of Europe*

A joint event of CEC, COMECE and the Chapel for Europe

- Date: Tuesday 7 December 2021 at 19h00 – 21h00
- Venue: Chapel for Europe, Rue van Maerlant 22, 1040 Brussels for a limited number of participants and via live streaming (LINK)
- 18h50: Music. Checking of Covid Safe Ticket
- 19h00 Welcome by Fr Krystian Sowa sj, Director of the Chapel for Europe
- 19h05 Setting the scene – Introduction to the CoFoE (Stefan Lunte, Policy Advisor, COMECE)
- 19h15 “*What do I hope for Europe?*” – debate chaired by Lena Kumlin, Senior EU Policy Advisor, CEC, with:
- Dubravka Šuica, European Commission Vice-President for Democracy and Demography
 - Gašper Dovžan, State Secretary at the Slovenian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - Helmut Scholz. Member of the European Parliament (GUE/NGL, Germany)
- 19h45 *What is my hope for Europe?* Reflections from European Christian citizens:
- Mrs Mary Killoran (Ireland) speaking about the situation in rural Europe/about war, conflict and the importance of EU as a peace project (Video)
 - Robert Innes, British Anglican Bishop in Europe for the Church of England
 - Mr. Renato Cursi – Executive Secretary of Don Bosco International and participant in the COMECE Youth Convention,
 - The very Reverend Archimandrite, Fr. Aimilianos Bogiannou, Moderator of the Committee of the Representatives of the Orthodox Churches to the EU (CROCEU).
- 20h20 Discussion and questions and remarks from Youtube participants (Moderated by Marie-Laure Denoel – Director of Advocacy at the World Youth Alliance) and from the audience.
- 20h50 Concluding remarks by Fr Luciano Larivera sj from JESC
- 20:55 Farewell by General Secretaries of CEC Dr Jørgen Skov Sørensen and COMECE Fr Manuel Barrios Prieto
- 21h00 [End of meeting. Invitation to see exposition. Music]