



#EUelections2019

Join us for a lively debate

9 April, 5:00 - 7:30 pm | Brussels City Hall

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MEPs LOCAL & REGIONAL
LEADERS

We'll put the EP political groups to the test!

MANIFESTO FOR A LOCAL AND REGIONAL EUROPE DRAFT PROGRAMME

Welcome by **Philippe Close**, Mayor of the City of Brussels

Presentation of the CEMR Manifesto "European Parliament Elections 2019 - Message from local and regional elected representatives: involve local and regional governments for a stronger EU!"

Moderator: **Frédéric Vallier**, CEMR Secretary General

Exchange with CEMR leaders and the representatives of the political groups within the European Parliament on the following themes:

- Cohesion Policy,
- The Sustainable Development Goals,
- Citizens' participation, climate and environment,
- Governance and participation of local governments in the European project.

With the participation of:

Iskra Mihaylova

MEP, Chair of the Committee on Regional Development (ALDE Group)

Maria Arena

MEP (S&D Group)

Saskia Bricmont

MEP candidate (Greens/EFA)

Dara Murphy

EPP Vice-President and Campaign Director for the European elections

Jan Olbrycht

MEP, President of the Urban Intergroup of the European Parliament

Carola Gunnarsson

Lord Mayor of Sala,
CEMR spokesperson on cohesion

Carlos Martínez Mínguez

Mayor of Soria,
CEMR and UCLG Vice-President

Rainer Haas

President of Ludwigsburg County,
CEMR Co-President

Marc Cools

Municipal councillor of Uccle, President of Brulocalis, President of ILDG of the Congress of the Council of Europe

Conclusions by CEMR President, **Stefano Bonaccini**, President of Emilia-Romagna (Italy) and official handing over of the Manifesto and the book "Europe 2030 – local leaders speak out" to the representatives of the lists to the European elections.

18.30-19.30 Cocktail / Reception

Exchange in English only