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European Participatory Democracy towards the 7th legislature of the European Parliament

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The event is organised by the **Representation in Italy of the European Commission** and by the **Tuscany Region**, in collaboration with:
the associations of the **Contact Group EU-Civil Society – Italy**,
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PROGRAMME

Friday, 20 February 2009	
Morning	
9.30-10.00	Registration
10.00 – 12.30 CONFERENCE OPENING	<i>The European Union between participatory and parliamentary democracy</i> Chair: Anna Maria Giordano , Journalist Radio3 Mondo Introductions: Claudio Martini , President Tuscany Region Pier Virgilio Dastoli , Head of the Representation in Italy of the European Commission Keynote speech: Guy Verhofstadt , Minister of State and former Prime Minister of Belgium Interventions: Graham Watson , European Parliament, President of ALDE Paul Ginsborg , University of Florence Melody Ross , Active Citizenship Network Stefano Rodotà ,* University La Sapienza, Rome
13.00	Lunch break

Afternoon	
15.00 – 19.00 PARALLEL SESSIONS	<p>A: Collective rights and common goods in the European Union</p> <p>Raymon Van Ermen, Permanent forum on civil society Miklos Barabas, European House, Hungary</p> <p>Chair: Massimo Crucioli, CILAP / EAPN</p>
	<p>B: European citizenship and the development of the civil dialogue with the European institutions</p> <p>Rodolfo Lewanski, Agency on participation, Tuscany Costas Botopoulos, Member of the European Parliament, Constitutional Affairs Committee</p> <p>Chair: Martine Méheut, AEDE</p>
	<p>C: The reform of the European budget and the European Participatory Budget</p> <p>Umberto Allegretti – Marta Picchi, University of Florence Laura Callegaro, Banca Etica</p> <p>Chair: Vittorio Calaprince, Representation in Italy of the European Commission</p>
	<p>D: Transparency, right to association: towards a European status?</p> <p>Giovanni Moro, FONDACA Alessandro Pizzorno, European Institute, Fiesole</p> <p>Chair: Gabriella Stramaccioni, Agenzia per le ONLUS</p>
19.30 Dinner	Dinner
22.00-23.15 Cultural event	Concert – Big Band Bellini
Saturday, 21 February 2009	
Morning	
0.9.30 – 13.00 PLENARY SESSION Conclusion	<p>Parallel sessions' outcomes by the facilitators</p> <p>Round Table: <i>The role of the EU and of the European civil society for the social inclusion and a new European social model</i></p> <p>Aldo Bonomi, AASTER Stefan Collignon, Comitato d'azione per la democrazia europea, Scuola superiore Sant'Anna Rita Cutini, Comunità di S. Egidio – Vice President CNV Simone Naldoni, ANCI Andrea Olivero, Forum Terzo Settore Gianni Salvadori, Councillor for Welfare, Tuscany Region Mario Sepi, President of the European Economic and Social Committee Gianni Tamino, University of Padua</p> <p>Chair and Conclusion: Pier Virgilio Dastoli, Head of the Representation in Italy of the European Commission</p>

WORKING LANGUAGES: English, French, Italian in the plenary sessions and in Working groups A and B. Italian in Working groups C and D.

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