





# Europäische PULSE of EUROPE Haus Parlamente Haus Parlamente

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**Session 4: Good Practice Examples** 

Pulse of Europe: HausParlamente Project



# What is Pulse of Europe?









## What is Pulse of Europe?

Nov 2016 first gathering in Frankfurt a.M.

Jan 2017 demonstrations in Frankfurt, Cologne, Freiburg

from Feb 2017 more cities joined every week

June 2017 demonstrations in 126 cities in 19 countries







## **Challenge:**

Create something more sustainable



#### **INITIAL POSITION**

- No specific political program but a clear pro-european attitude
- Connect to our self-conception and experiences:
  - Talk about Europe, listen to each other
  - Create an "offline" / shared experience
  - Spread knowledge about Europe and ist institutions
  - Reduce the "gap" between the EU and its citizens
- Make use of our positive and nonparty reputation
- 500+ activists plus hundreds of supporters



### Europäische HausParlamente

- 1. Host invites 5 to 8 friend or acquaintances
- 2. Host prepares HausParlament with DYI toolkit, provided by PoE
- 3. Debate on the topics of the HausParlament, vote on the questions
- 4. PoE processes results into formal advice for EU politician
- 5. EU politician gives substantial feedback



# Round 1

**Political Partner: Staatsminister Michael Roth** 

Should the EU substantially change ist Foreign and Security Policy in the light of "America First"?

- Does the EU need a foreign secretary with decision-making authority?
- Should a European army replace the national armies?
- If no consensus can be reached among all member states, should member states that agree on certain positions be allowed to formulate EU foreign policy?
- Is a closer relationship with other strategical partners (China, Russia) advisable?





## **Results round 1**

**211** HausParlamente

Ca. 1.200 participants

84% positive feedback

54% think a new Foreign Policy is needed

Final event with Michael Roth on 30th Oct



#### LET'S BE THE PULSE OF EUROPE!





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