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At this moment, the European Republic is being proclaimed from over 100 (theatre) balconies and public places in Europe. The proclamation is based on a manifesto that reaffirms the desire for a common European democracy, for that does not yet exist!

In the European Union, there is a common currency and a common market, but no common democracy. The decisions of the EU are strongly influenced by the interests of individual nation states instead of being based on the common good of all European citizens. We want to change that – we want a united, decentralized, democratic and citizen-centred Europe.

As citizens, we demand equal rights for all people in Europe and invite you to discuss the future of Europe! Make your voice heard in the European elections in May 2019.

More impressions of the Europe-wide campaign can be found under the hashtags **#weproclaim** **#EuropeanBalconies**

The European Balcony Project was initiated by the European Democracy Lab and realized with the support of numerous citizens across Europe. More information can be found at [www.europeanbalconyproject.eu](http://www.europeanbalconyproject.eu)

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# MANIFESTO



**T**oday, at 4pm on the 10th of November 2018, 100 years after the end of WWI, which laid waste European civilization for decades, we are not only recalling history; we are taking our future into our own hands. It is time to turn the promise inherent in Europe into a reality and to remind ourselves of the founding ideas behind the project of European integration.

**W**e declare that everyone present at this moment on the continent of Europe is a citizen of **the European Republic**. We acknowledge and accept our responsibility for the common heritage of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and we pledge finally to make it into a reality on this continent.

**W**e recognise that Europe's wealth is based on the exploitation of other continents and the suppression of other cultures over centuries. For that reason, we are happy to share our territory with those whom we have driven from theirs. Anyone who wishes to can be a European. **The European Republic** is the first step on the path to a global democracy.

**T**he Europe of nation states has failed. The dream of European integration has been betrayed. The Single Market and the euro fell easy prey to a neoliberal agenda which runs counter to the goal of social justice. The powers of the European institutions must therefore be appropriated so that a common market and a common currency can be created within a common European democracy. Because Europe means unifying people, not integrating states.

**T**he sovereignty of states is hereby replaced by the sovereignty of citizens. **The European Republic** is founded upon the principle of universal political equality irrespective of nationality and social or ethnic background. The constituent elements of **the European Republic** are the European cities and regions. The time has come for Europe's cultural diversity to express itself within a framework of political unity.

**T**he European Council is hereby decommissioned. The European Parliament now has the power to make law. It will appoint a government committed equally to the welfare of all European citizens.

**LONG LIVE THE EUROPEAN REPUBLIC!**



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