

# EUROPE 2025

Strengthening democracy and solidarity

**TALK AND DISCUSSION**

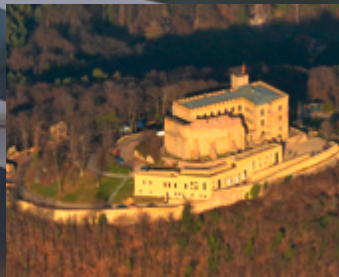
June 12, 2018

17:00 pm

**Hambacher Schloss**

Siebenpfeiffersaal

67434 Neustadt/Weinstraße



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The consequences of the financial and Euro-crisis have been especially tough for the younger generation in Europe in their personal and professional perspectives. Furthermore, there is strong disagreement between the member states on issues such as refugee policy. The results are growing tendencies of nationalism and further mistrust in the European Union's institutions. We want to exchange and discuss ideas with young Europeans and members of the European Parliament from Poland, France and Germany, on how to overcome this phenomenon, while also developing common positions for more democracy and social justice in Europe.

The Hambach Castle has been viewed as the "cradle of German and European democracy" ever since the "Hambacher Fest" of 1832 and is therefore an ideal location to exchange political concepts and strengthen cross-border dialogue.

### 17:00 – 19:00 Public Discussion

**Welcome remarks** by **Brigitte Juchems**, head of the regional office of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung in Rhineland-Palatinate / Saarland and **Norbert Neuser**, member of the European Parliament

**Keynote:** State Secretary **Heike Raab**, Representative of the state of Rhineland-Palatinate to the federal government for Europe, media and digitalization

Subsequent fishbowl discussion:

Dialogue between **young Europeans and EU-parliamentarians** with participation of the audience

**Moderator:** **Helen Böhmler** and **Alexander Kuschel**, planpolitik Berlin

Conference language: English and German

Note: There will be simultaneous translation from English to German

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