



Reinventing liberalism on the local level: political autonomy, local businesses, global opportunities

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ABOUT THE EVENT

Could a local village be liberal? How could small communities deal with globalization? In our conference we wish to answer these questions and identify liberal values, which have local relevance and can be used to promote liberal political solutions on the local level in bigger cities. In the first panel, we invite Hungarian liberal mayors to introduce the best practices, which can ensure local autonomy, and could help to fight against illiberalism on the local, national and European level as well. We also want to analyze recent local elections from a liberal standpoint. In the second panel, we are interested how liberalism works on local level, in different European regions. We wish to invite international experts from Italy, Netherlands, Poland and Hungary to discuss what liberalism means in their country on the local level, how it could help to local communities.

EVENT SCHEDULE

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10:00 Opening remarks
Gábor Horn Chair of the Board, Republikon Foundation

10:10 Opening Speech
Dávid Dorosz, Deputy Mayor, Budapest

10:30 Localism and liberalism in Europe

Susanne Dallinga, Secretary Permanent Programme Committee, Mr Hans van Mierlo
Stichting

Magdalena Baran, Deputy Editor in Chief, Liberte!

Marco Mariani, European Affairs Director, Fondazione Luigi Einaudi

Zoltán Bretter, Assistant Professor, Pécs University

Moderator: **Dániel Mikecz**, Republikon Institute



11:45 COFFEE BREAK

12:00 Best practises on local level – how liberalism works in the XXI. century

Tamás Soproni, Mayor, 6th district of Budapest, Hungary

Tamás Wittinghoff, Mayor, Budaörs, Hungary

Tibor Papp, Mayor, Andrid, Romania

Anna Szögedi, Mayor, Tornaľa, Slovakia

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13:30 LUNCH

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