

MEET

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Who we are:

MEET - Movement towards a European Education Trust – is a campaign started by ordinary European citizens to take advantage of an important initiative set up by the Lisbon Treaty – the Citizens Initiative (CI). This CI provides a unique opportunity to enable citizens to request action on a specific issue in the form of a petition to the European Commission.

What we stand for:

Environment, Economy and Education are key issues at the heart of Europe and of interest to all its citizens. MEET stands for universality of access to a EUROPEAN EDUCATION, multilingual, multicultural schooling from primary to secondary, based on the little known European Baccalaureate.

Why?

MEET believes it's time to build a Europe from the ground up, by providing equal access to all its citizens who request it the opportunity to study in a truly multi-cultural and European environment.

WE NEED TO RAISE 1 MILLION SIGNATURES ACROSS EUROPE!

The task is massive and we need every help we can, but we know we can make a difference by positively influencing the political arena. This is OUR chance to have OUR view known.

Don't let it pass by.

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MEET the future Europeans

New opportunities for democratic accountability

The **Lisbon Treaty** has given the Union a mandate to create a **European dimension in Education**. There are valid economic and social reasons for developing this common framework, yet respecting national identities. A little known and highly successful European education system already exists, available to children from pre-school age to secondary, yet currently only accessible to a very small number of people in the Union. This educational model leads to the attainment of the European Baccalaureate, which is recognised by all member states as a secondary qualification with access to higher education. In addition to education, the Lisbon Treaty has also introduced the **European Citizenship Initiative (CI*)**, giving its citizens a greater say in the Union's democratic process.



Two initiatives, joined up

MEET – Movement towards a European Education Trust intends to merge these two initiatives presenting a petition to the Commission with the aim of making European education accessible to as many European citizens as possible; a choice based on an **educational model** that encourages mutual respect, as well as excellence, yet respectful of each other's identity. We believe, along with many others who are now pledging to support this Citizens' Initiative Campaign for a Better Education for Europeans, that **Europeans deserve a successful educational framework** based on an already well established model backed by all 27 member states and leading to the officially recognised **European Baccalaureate**.

Meeting tomorrow's needs

Europeans are ready for action in this area – the multicultural and multilingual education of our children – not simply as the transmission of knowledge, but also to build character and personality and to prepare the region to meet the challenges of a new global economic model.



It's your chance to make your views felt!

This is our opportunity to create a better Europe. Let's aim for the best education we deserve and let us join together in this unique opportunity to make our voices heard.

United in a European Education for all Europeans.

*For more information on the Citizen's initiative, in all EU languages, see: http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/secretariat_general/citizens_initiative/index_en.htm

Help Us

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Become a Pledge Partner

If you believe, and want to become a pledge partner, we are asking for 1000€. No need to send any money yet but sign the pledge and accept our invitation to Brunch - Saturday 4 December 2010, Brussels. This will be the first gathering of pledge partners and the official setting up of MEET - Movement towards a European Education Trust. For more information, contact Ana Gorey: pledgepartners@EuroEdTrust.eu

Join the Campaign Team

If you believe, and want to join our Campaign team, we are looking for volunteer in Media and Press; Webmasters and internet/social networking strategist; Finance and Fundraising Officer as well as someone to deal with the logistics of the petition process. For more information contact Maurizio G. Fantato: meet@EuroEdTrust.eu

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