



# *European Citizens' Initiative - Recent updates*



# Welcome to (new) members!



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# Initiative updates

## **'Cohesion policy for the equality of the regions and sustainability of the regional cultures'**

Submitted 4 March 2025, for reply by 4 September 2025

Organisers met with Commission representatives on 25 March 2025



Next steps:

- Public hearing at the European Parliament (25 June) – [Web streaming](#)

## **'My Voice, My Choice: For Safe And Accessible Abortion'**

Signature collection closed on 24 April 2025, gathering over 1.2 million signatures,  
3-month verification phase started on 28 May



## **'Ban on conversion practices in the European Union'**

Signature collection closed on 17 May 2025, gathering over 1.2 million signatures,  
pending verification



Next steps for 'My Voice, My Choice' & 'Ban on conversion practices':

- National authorities will have 3 months to verify signatures
- If minimum thresholds reached, initiative can be submitted to the Commission



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# Facts & Figures – overview since 2012

**119**  
initiatives  
registered



**10** initiatives  
replied to by  
the EC



**1** initiative  
submitted for  
Commission  
examination



**2** initiatives  
under  
verification



## More info:

- [The European Citizens' Initiative in key figures](#)
- [ECI Forum infographic \(2025\)](#)



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# Ongoing initiatives (11 June 2025)



COLLECTION ONGOING

HouseEurope! Power to Renovation

21,722 supporters

[Support this initiative](#)



COLLECTION ONGOING

PsychedeliCare

30,168 supporters

[Support this initiative](#)



COLLECTION ONGOING

Air-Quotas

4,838 supporters

[Support this initiative](#)



COLLECTION ONGOING

ECI for a Water-Smart and Resilient Europe

2,915 supporters

[Support this initiative](#)



COLLECTION ONGOING

Stop Cruelty Stop Slaughter

831,107 supporters

[Support this initiative](#)



COLLECTION ONGOING

STOP FAKE FOOD: ORIGIN ON LABEL

475,061 supporters

[Support this initiative](#)



COLLECTION ONGOING

Stop Destroying Videogames

451,298 supporters

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COLLECTION ONGOING

NO FARMERS NO FOOD

SIGN TO PROTECT AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AREAS IN THE EU!

3,612 supporters

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# Communication updates

- [Educational toolkit](#) – update for the new school year (any suggestions?)
- Fill out the [ECI materials request form](#)
- We listened to your feedback! Report up to 3 activities at a time in the [updated reporting template](#)
- Share your contributions via email for the [ECI Newsletter](#)
- Continue the conversation in the [ECI Official Facebook Group](#) & [WhatsApp group](#) (**Contact Nico Janis**)
- Check out also the [EU Rights LinkedIn page](#)



# Updates to ECI Online Collection System

- The European Commission's online collection system (OCS) for European Citizens' Initiatives has been updated, featuring:
  - More user-friendly and secure interface
  - Optimised for smartphones
  - Check it out & give us your feedback!
  - Share the announcement:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/eciofficialgroup/permalink/1225887972602625/>

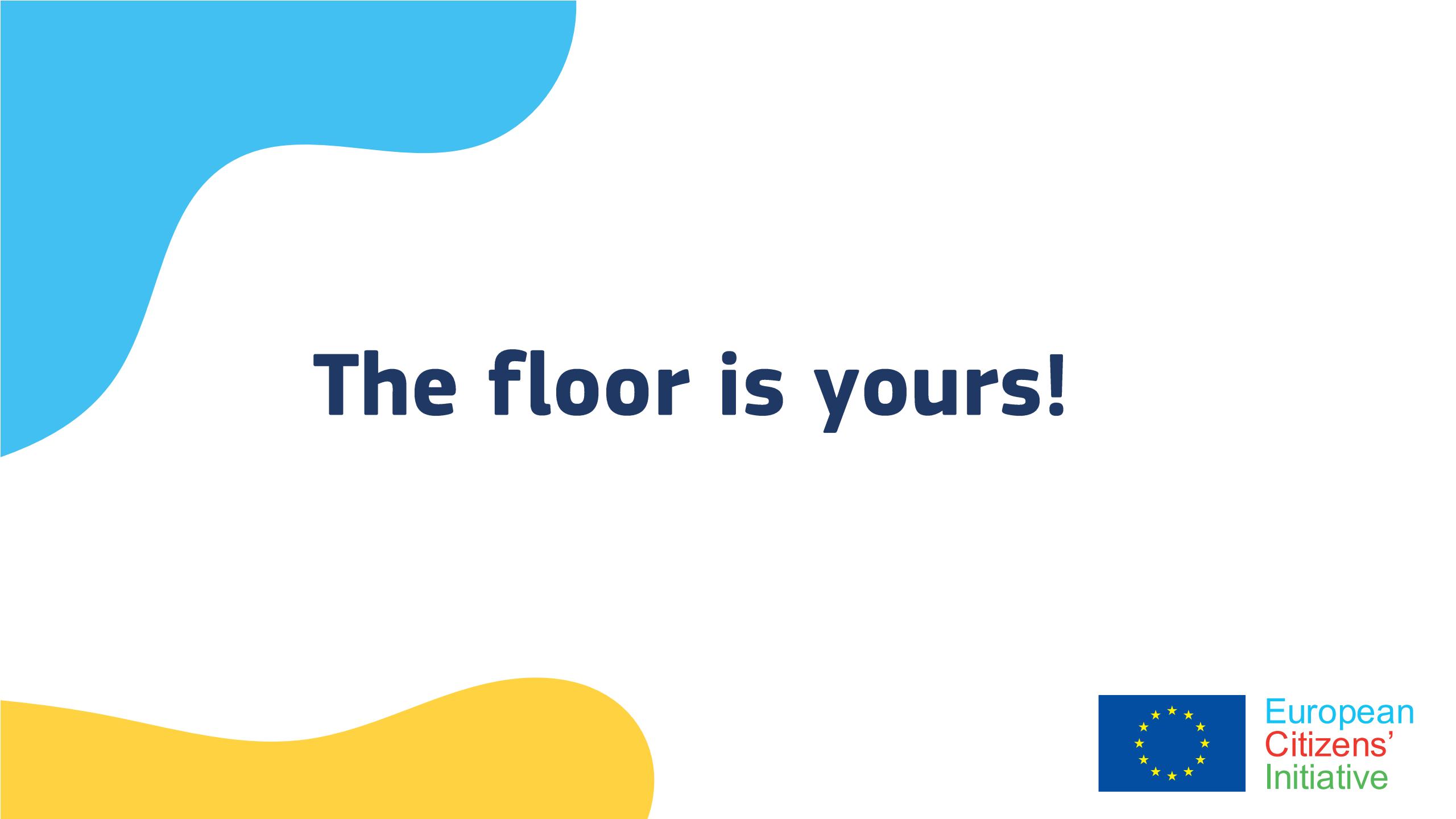


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# ECI Communicators Network in 2025

- **10 focus countries:** Bulgaria, Czechia, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden.
- **New approach to events**  
You can choose the relevant events to attend to showcase the ECI.
  - [Request ECI materials from us](#)
  - Limited number of allowances and travel cost reimbursements to apply for\*
  - Tips: Europe Day, book fairs, democracy festivals, International Democracy Day, etc.
- Need **contacts or country-specific information?** Ask us!
- **Next online meet-up:** 15/16 July timing TBC





# The floor is yours!



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# Breakout Rooms

1. Involving and motivating young people to engage with the ECI – Nico J. (European Youth Parliament, Austria)
2. EU funding for ECI Ambassadors' activities; ECI awareness project development – Sebastian B. (Stand Up for Europe, Belgium)
3. Revamp of ECI website – Barbara W. (ECI Team)

