



European
Youth
Debate
@ EXPO 2015

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Road to zero poverty

“European Youth Debate @EXPO 2015 – Road to zero poverty” is an event organised by the Bocconi-based student association European Generation, coordinated by the Ragnarock association, and developed with the support of the European Parliament information office in Milan and the European Documentation Center of the Bocconi University. The event has been included by the Italian EDC Network in the framework of the initiatives «European Year for Development. Our world, our dignity, our future», with the support of the European Commission Representation in Italy.

It will be held on October 4th 2015 at the European Union Pavilion at the EXPO 2015, in Milan, from 11 am to 6 pm.

This first edition of the European Youth Debate will focus on EU's policies to eradicate absolute poverty, a topic which is linked and complementary to the EXPO 2015 theme, being hunger and poverty closely interrelated issues.

The event concept is based on the principle that there is no awareness without participation, and no participation without awareness.

The meeting format will in fact provide both top-class knowledge and the opportunity to translate it into action, through a guided and highly interactive debate, outlined according to the EYD's concept:

Spread awareness, ignite the debate.

The event

Morning session: *Spread awareness.*

After a short welcome ceremony, Prof. Paolo Roberto Graziano (Bocconi University) and Franco Conzato (member of the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development) will introduce the event topic to the attending audience in an **opening conference** that will provide useful inputs for the afternoon debate.

Afternoon session: *Ignite the debate.*

In the afternoon debate, the topic “Road to zero poverty” will be discussed through a series of **questions**, each introduced by an **outline** and with the support of **video-pills**. During the debate, two short **introductory speeches** will be presented by members of the audience for each question, presenting their opinion in favour or against the debated positions. After a short **open debate**, the participants are requested to **vote** the proposed solutions.

During the debate, a **Judging Committee** will evaluate the best speeches and will **award** the most **productive** and **active** participants with a **visit to the European Parliament** in Strasbourg, provided by the European Parliament information office in Milan.

The Event Paper

During the event, the content of the presented **speeches** and the outcomes of the **debating** session and of the **voting** will be **recorded**, and later summarized in a **concluding paper** that will present the resolutions and positions supported by the participants. This final document will serve as a **basis for future debates** as well as a **proposition agenda** developed by the attending participants.

Programme

- h. 11:00-11:30** Opening ceremony
- h. 11:30-13:00** Conference
- h. 13:00-14:00** Lunch break
- h. 14:00-17:15** Debate
- h. 17:15-17:45** Closing & award ceremony

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