

DEMOCRACY R&D

Innovating Deliberative Democracy- Inclusion, Impact & Institutionalisation!

Berlin, September 28-30, 2022



Three Thematic Streams of the Conference:

Stream 1: Political buy-in

How to convince decision-makers to initiate deliberative mini-publics? How to ensure mini-publics recommendations are meaningfully followed up on? How to move from ad hoc projects to regular and regulated forms of deliberation?

Stream 2: Inclusive participation

How to prevent mini-publics from reproducing structural inequalities? How to connect mini-publics to the wider public? What are the challenges and opportunities of digital democracy?

Stream 3: Democracy in (times of) crisis

What are the fundamental challenges to democracy today? What is the potential and what are the limits of deliberative democracy in the context of these challenges? How to connect deliberative democracy with other forms and instruments of democracy?

Day 1: Wednesday, September 28

Location: Bertelsmann Repräsentanz, Unter den Linden 1, 10117 Berlin

8:00-9:00 **Walk-in and Covid testing**

9:00-9:30 **Welcome & introduction to Berlin and to this meeting**

*Dominik Hierlemann, Anna Renkamp (Bertelsmann Stiftung)
Angela Jain, Friedemann Walther (Senate Chancellery of Berlin)
David Schechter (Democracy R&D)*

9:30-11:00 **Thematic introduction & networking activity**

in relation to the thematic streams: political buy-in, inclusive participation & democracy in (times of) crisis

Speakers: Claudine Nierth (Mehr Demokratie e.V.), Azucena Morán (IASS Potsdam) & Edlyne Anugwom (University of Nigeria)

Moderators: Emily Williams (Bertelsmann Stiftung) & Maarten de Groot

11:00-11:30 **Break**

11:30-13:00 **Deliberative case studies - learning from successes, mistakes & dilemmas**

World café: exchanges based on input from impulse-givers

Hans-Liudger Dienel (nexus institute) & Angela Jain (Senate Chancellery of Berlin)

13:00-14:00 **Lunch**

14:00-15:00 **Parallel workshops - round 1**

- WS 01 The conference on the future of Europe's Plenary: desirable innovation or smokescreen? *Yves Mathieu & Antoine Vergne (Missions Publiques) & Gaëtane Ricard-Nihoul, (European Commission)*
- WS 02 Enclave deliberation *Kimbra White (MosaicLab)*
- WS 03 Wartime democracy: what's going on w/ democracy & how to cope w/ war? Experience of Ukraine *Olga Kutsenko (Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv & Technical University of Berlin)* (hybrid format)
You can join this session by Zoom by following [this link](#)
- WS 05 Gardener, sailor, firefighter - Three different collaborative response in times of democratic crisis *Jessie Joe Jacobs (The Democracy Network, Involve) & Tom Brake (Unlock Democracy, Democracy Defence Coalition)*
- WS 06 New deliberative institutions for the next democratic paradigm
Ieva Cesnulaityte & Aviv Ovadya

15:00-15:30 **Break**

15:30-16:30 **Parallel workshops - round 2**

- WS 07 Beyond crisis: reimagining democracy urgently for a shared future
Sarah Castell & Charlotte Obijiaku (Involve)
- WS 08 Unpacking the Global Assembly: an exploration of the first global citizens' assembly pilot. *Claire Mellier, Remco van der Stoep (G1000.nu), Jon Stever (i4Policy) & Sanskriti Menon (CEE)*
- WS 09 Creative techniques to foster more equal and inclusive deliberation
Jez Hall & Pete Bryant (Shared Future CIC) (hybrid format)
You can join this session by Zoom by following [this link](#)
- WS 10 Mirar la democracia deliberativa desde el Sur Global/Global South perspectives of del. democ. *Sofia Castillo & Carlos Brown (SUR Institute)*
- WS 11 Assembling a volunteer-based citizens' assembly with zero budget in times of political crisis. *David Dunetz & Ronen Goffer (The Heschel Center for Sustainability, CAI)*
- WS 12 How to include citizen participation in crisis management? Charly Pache

16:30-17:00 **Break**

17:00-18:30 **Dialogue: The future of participatory democracy**

Lars Castellucci (Member of the German Bundestag, SPD)

Gisela Erlar (Former State Counsellor for Civil Society and Citizen Participation at the State Ministry of Baden-Württemberg)

Gesine Märten (State Secretary for Democracy, Europe and Equality, Saxony)

Colin Scicluna (Head of Cabinet, Vice President for Democracy & Demography European Commission)

Moderator: Dominik Hierlemann (Bertelsmann Stiftung)

18:30-20:00 **Standing reception, finger food buffet**

Day 2: Thursday, September 29

Location: Bertelsmann Repräsentanz, Unter den Linden 1, 10117 Berlin

- 8:30-9:00 **Walk-in**
- 9:00-9:45 **Welcome back**
Impressions from day 1 & reports from workshops
Dominik Hierlemann (Bertelsmann Stiftung)
- 9:45-11:00 **Parallel workshops - round 3**
- WS 13 Let a thousand flowers bloom: scaling out and replicating citizen deliberation
Silvia Cervellini (Delibera Brasil) & Pete Bryant (Shared Future) (hybrid format)
You can join this session by Zoom by following [this link](#)
 - WS 14 Next level citizen participation in the EU - institutionalising European citizens' assemblies
Andrey Demidov, Dominik Hierlemann & Anna Renkamp (Bertelsmann Stiftung)
 - WS 15 Including the ignored *Irene Alonso Toucido & Yves Dejaeghere (FIDE)*
 - WS 16 Rising above crisis: deliberative democracy and consolidation of democracy in Central Africa *Edlyne Anugwom, Ben Nwosu & Chikodiri Nwangwu (University of Nigeria)*
 - WS 17 Bursting our bubble: using deliberative practices for constitutional reform & political result. *Wendy Willis (Oregon's Kitchen Table; Deliberative Democracy Consortium) & Graham Allen (Former Member of Parliament)*
 - WS 18 Where next for climate assemblies?
Graham Smith (Knowledge Network on Climate Assemblies) & Mark Beanland (Danish Board of Technology)
- 11:00-11:30 **Break**
- 11:30-13:00 **Democracy R&D development & related affairs**
Rahmin Sarabi & David Schechter (Democracy R&D)
- 13:00-14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00-15:30 **Open space – part 1**
Discussions in small groups and reporting back in plenary
James Robertson (Sortition Foundation)
- 15:30-16:00 **Break**
- 16:00-18:00 **Open space – part 2**
Discussions in small groups and reporting back in plenary
James Robertson (Sortition Foundation)
- In parallel: meeting with German politicians in the Bundestag**
Helge Lindh (SPD)
Leon Eckert (Alliance 90/The Greens)
Ralph Edelhäußer (CSU)
Roman Huber (Mehr Demokratie e.V)
- 19:00/19:30 - 21:30 **Garden party at nexus institute**
Including food, beverages and 'after-dinner speech' (at 20:15): "The Chilean Deliberative Poll", by James Fishkin, Tomás González Olavarría, Alice Siu
Hans-Liudger Dienel (nexus institute)

Day 3: Friday, September 30 – Deliberative Democracy School

Location: Technische Universität Berlin, Marchstraße 23, 10587 Berlin

- 8:30-9:00 **Walk-in**
- 9:00-9:30 **Introduction to the Deliberative Democracy School**
Hans-Liudger Dienel (nexus institute) & Angela Jain (Senate Chancellery of Berlin)
- 9:30-10:45 **Parallel training sessions - round 1**
- TS 01 Decision-makers as movers and shakers, communities as moonrakers: comparing two models
Mel Stevens, Pandora Ellis (Democratic Society) & Tom Lord (Sortition Foundation)
 - TS 02 Talking change: speaking the story of deliberation into reality
Note: this session has been cancelled. Registered participants for this session can choose another session that still has capacity on the spot on day 3, without prior registration.
 - TS 03 Partnership and participation: the G1000.nu approach to whole system buy-in
Harm van Dijk, Mirjam de Pagter & Remco van der Stoep (G1000.nu)
 - TS 04 Facilitating collaboration: groups self-writing reports & reaching common ground - part 1
Kimbra White (MosaicLab)
(Integrated session with TS 09)
 - TS 05 Towards collaborative governance: enabling public authorities to harness the power of deliberation
Patrizia Nanz, Giulia Molinengo, Lukas Kübler, Monika Arzberger & Torben Voss (CO:LAB | BASE)
- 10:45-11:15 **Break**
- 11:15-12:30 **Parallel training sessions - round 2**
- TS 06 Taking deliberations online
Ceri Davies & Duncan Grimes (National Centre for Social Research)
 - TS 07 Bringing citizens' assemblies to the public
Thorsten Sterk (Mehr Demokratie e.V.)
 - TS 08 Pre-deliberation learning focused on lower formal educational groups make better assemblies
Ana Lucia Lima (Delibera Brasil) & Christiane Dienel (nexus institute)
 - TS 09 Facilitating collaboration: groups self-writing reports & reaching common ground - part 2
Kimbra White (MosaicLab)
(Integrated session with TS 04)
 - TS 10 Democratic infrastructures: turning one-off deliberations into resilient democracies
Hanne Bastiaensen & Max Stearns (Democratic Society)
- 12:30-13:30 **Lunch**
- 13:30-14:45 **Parallel training sessions - round 3**
- TS 11 How to train politicians and senior leaders on climate engagement
Rebekah McCabe & Kaela Scott (Involve)
 - TS 12 Recruiting representative samples by democratic lottery: what does this actually mean?
Rich Rippin (Sortition Foundation)
 - TS 13 We're gonna need a bigger room: large-scale participant-led deliberation
Harm van Dijk, Mirjam de Pagter & Remco van der Stoep (G1000.nu)
 - TS 14 Reflections on the politics of deliberative action in Taiwan
Tze-Luen Lin & Chia-Hua Lu (National Taiwan University) (hybrid format)
You can join this session by Zoom by following [this link](#).
- 14:45-15:15 **Break**
- 15:15-16:00 **Evaluation & closing**
Anna Renkamp (Bertelsmann Stiftung), Maarten de Groot & David Schechter (Democracy R&D)