

# EUROPEAN DAYS OF LOCAL SOLIDARITY

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#LocalSolidarityDays

15 → 30  
November  
2019

## How to join the European Days of Local Solidarity?

### The campaign

Cities and regions are leading the way towards global sustainable development! How? Thanks to their **international cooperation projects with cities and regions across the planet** and their day-to-day solution-oriented management of the challenges related to sustainability.

The European Days of Local Solidarity (EDLS) call European cities and regions to **raise their citizens' awareness on the challenges of global sustainable development and on the need to take action.**

**Don't miss the 2019 edition, taking place from 15 to 30 November 2019 across Europe.**

### Key messages

**European cities and regions strengthen citizens' knowledge on global sustainable development issues.**



#### ACTION!

Organise or promote public events aimed to **inform and discuss about the challenges of global sustainable development** and the importance of solidarity **underlining the city's experience in international cooperation projects.**

**European cities and regions support and promote development education and active citizenship initiatives with great local impact.**



#### ACTION!

Collaborate with local Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), groups of citizens or educational centres to **organise and support awareness campaigns, public events or training initiatives** that strongly contribute to citizens' active commitment and sense of solidarity.

**European cities and regions promote political engagement at the national, European and global scale in favour of sustainable development.**



#### ACTION!

Foster the dialogue between mayors and local representatives across Europe, and promote the exchanges with national and global decision makers on **the positive impacts of solidarity and "decentralised" cooperation** in local and global sustainable development.



## Make your city or region part of the initiative!

Plan your EDLS activity between 15 and 30 November 2019.

### An EDLS activity is:

- (Co-)organised by a European town or region, or by an association of local and regional governments
- An opportunity for citizens, local or regional elected or officials, CSOs and other local players to learn, exchange, discuss and celebrate
- Focused on European cities and regions' contribution to global sustainable development, with particular attention to their international cooperation and city-to-city partnerships

### In 2018...

22

European cities and regions

7 different languages

Landelijk Beraad Stedenbanden Nederland-Nicaragua  
@StedenbandenNL

Vormiddag debatteerden 65 leerlingen van 3 scholen: @Alphink, @ExerumCollege, @SchoorleerOVC in de raadzaal van Zoetermeer rthv. Stad en Democratie over #globalgoals en Gelijke Kansen, belang van Partnership, etc. 3 Raadsleden vormden de jury. Iedereen ging op de foto met 1 GG2020!

25 initiatives over 2 weeks



## Join the campaign!

- **Use the EDLS campaign toolkit** or add the EDLS logo to your own material to boost your initiative and strengthen its key messages. It will also be promoted through the EDLS website ([localsolidaritydays.eu](http://localsolidaritydays.eu)) and the Twitter campaign (#localsolidaritydays).
- **Sign the EDLS Charter to formalize your city's engagement** with the common values of democracy, solidarity, co-responsibility and partnership. The support of your European counterparts can also enhance further political and social recognition of your city's engagement for global sustainable development.
- **Become part of a community of European cities and regions** that exchange, learn and discuss on a regular basis about awareness raising tools, development education and sustainable development from a local perspective.

Check the programme on  
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