

## DO DIFFERENCES REALLY UNITE US?

Conversation on the future of the EU

Ljubljana – Slovenia, 22 September 2021

18:00 - 18:15	Welcome speeches by:
	- Iratxe GARCÍA PÉREZ, S&D Group president
	- Marek BELKA, S&D Vice-president
	- Tanja FAJON, S&D MEP
	- Milan BRGLEZ, S&D MEP
18:15 - 19:10	<ul> <li>4 thematic discussions with invited speakers:</li> <li>- Ms Gaja Brecelj, Director of the NGO Umanotera, expert and activist in</li> </ul>
	the fields of environmental protection, sustainable development and global learning
	<ul> <li>Emilija Stojmenova Duh, PhD, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Coordinator of the Network of Creative Laboratories - FabLab Slovenia, Director of the Digital Innovation Hub</li> <li>prof. Dragan Petrovec, PhD, Criminologist - Penologist, researcher at the Institute of Criminology of the Faculty of Law, columnist</li> <li>prof. Žiga Turk, PhD, Professor at the Faculty of Civil Engineering and Geodesy, former Secretary of the EU Reflection Group and former Minister of Education, columnist</li> </ul>
	We want to touch on the most current topics that will directly affect the lives of future generations, such as environmental protection and climate, digitalisation and digital literacy, as well as those that are increasingly becoming a point of separation, such as communication culture, growth of extreme movements, migration. In doing so, we will refer to the different visions and stages of development of individual Member States, as well as to the different views held by European governments on these issues.
19:10 - 19:20	Presentation of the ideas of young people (Mladi Forum)
19:20 -	Discussion and conclusion