



## **GENERATION '89**

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### *Europe at age 20*

They were born in 1989. They made their first steps in 1990. Now, they have the opportunity to express and share their ideas about their future as European citizens. Between the 16th November 2009 and 31st January 2010, young people born in 1989, citizens of nine European countries – Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Germany, the UK, Poland, Romania and Hungary – are welcome to apply to take part in the pan-European project “Generation ‘89”.

The project “Generation ‘89” proposes to view the fall of the communist systems in Europe through the perspective of young people born in 1989. They will have the chance to speak about what happened in their countries in the past (as told by their parents or older relatives or read in books), and also about their expectations as European citizens.

The candidates selected by the national juries will participate between 25th and 28th April 2010 in simultaneous meetings in Brussels, Bucharest, Prague and Warsaw. Coming from countries with very different experiences concerning the year 1989, but also with distinct development concerning European integration, status and citizenship, the young people involved in the project will formulate their ideas about their future and the future of the European Union in a common declaration that will be drafted during the international meetings. A delegation of young participants will present the Declaration “Generation ‘89” to EU representatives in Brussels, on the 7th June 2010.

More details on the project and the application form can be found on the project website: [www.generation89.eu](http://www.generation89.eu)

“Generation ‘89” is a project developed by EUNIC Prague, EUNIC Warsaw, EUNIC Brussels and EUNIC Bucharest, in partnership with Cafe Babel Sofia, the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research, and Open Society Archivum. The cultural institutes and diplomatic representations involved in the project are: the Romanian Cultural Institute, the British Council, the Goethe Institute, the Czech Centres, the Austrian Cultural Forum, the Flemish Representation and the Délégation Wallonie-Bruxelles, the Bulgarian Cultural Institute, the Polish Cultural Institute, and the Hungarian Cultural Centre. The “Generation ‘89” project is developed with the support of the “Citizenship 2007–2013” programme of the European Union.

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