

# TAKE THE INITIATIVE

**European Citizens' Initiative** 

**Communication Campaign** 

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## #EUTakeTheInitiative | The Campaign

- EU 27 | **2018-2020**
- 2018 | BG, LT, PL, CZ, FR, PT, AT
- 2019 | MT, NL, RO, BE, EE, FI, SI, SK, EL, ES
- Objectives:
  - Raise awareness about the European Citizens' Initiative among key stakeholders & citizens
  - Boost the level of participation & increase the number of initiatives
  - Improve the quality of registered initiatives
- Target audience:
  - Stakeholders civil society organisations and NGOs active in the field of participatory democracy; ECI organisers; youth and student organisations; EU think tanks; EU affairs organisations; EU institutions, etc.
  - Politically engaged citizens: highly educated citizens in the young 18-30 and middle-aged 30-54 segments



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## #EUTakeTheInitiative | Tools & Activities



Content & tools development



Stakeholder engagement: Roadshow, toolkit, direct communication & follow-up



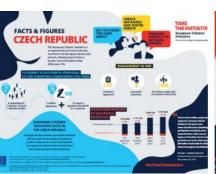
Citizen engagement: Festivals of democracy & social media paid campaigns

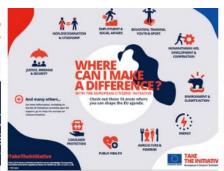


Media relations



### **#EUTakeTheInitiative | Content & tools**









































### **#EUTakeTheInitiative** | Stakeholder engagement

















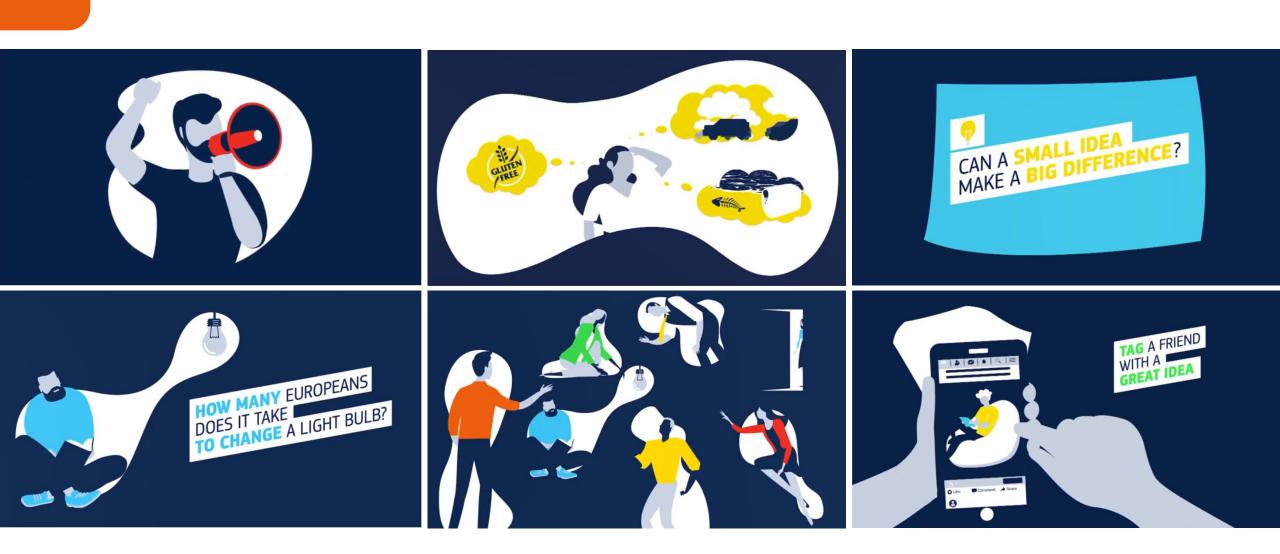








#### #EUTakeTheInitiative | Social media



#### Take the Initiative Communication campaign – 1 year on **Achievements**

- 22 initiatives registered since the launch of the campaign | 266% increase from 2017
- Stakeholders | Total: 1337 across BG, LT, PL, CZ, FR, PT, AT, MT, NL, RO, BE, EE, FI + EU level. Events participants: 1147
- **Website** | 42 % increase in the number of unique visitors (monthly average) between 2017 and 2018
- **Social Media** | over 15 M impressions
- Focus activities in 2019:
  - European Citizens' Initiative reform: promote the changes brought by the reform (partial registration, new deadlines, legal entity etc.)
  - **ECI website**: launch of the new European Citizens' Initiative in January 2020
  - New material: infographics (successful initiatives' outcomes, lifecycle of the European Citizens' Initiative etc.).



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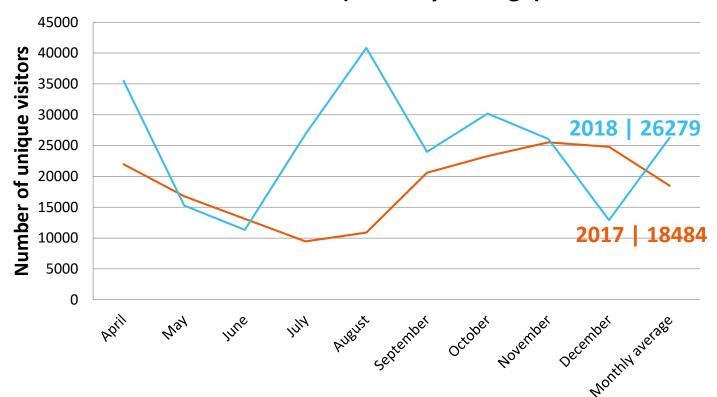
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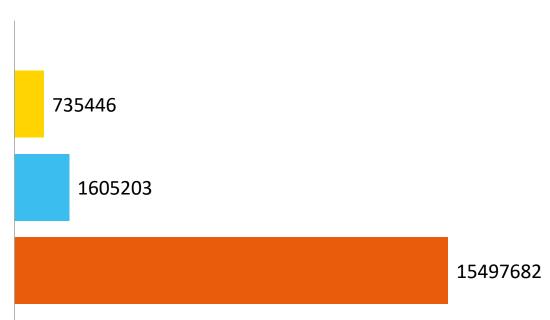
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#### **Social media | Reach & Engagement**

Video Views ■ Engagement ■ Impressions





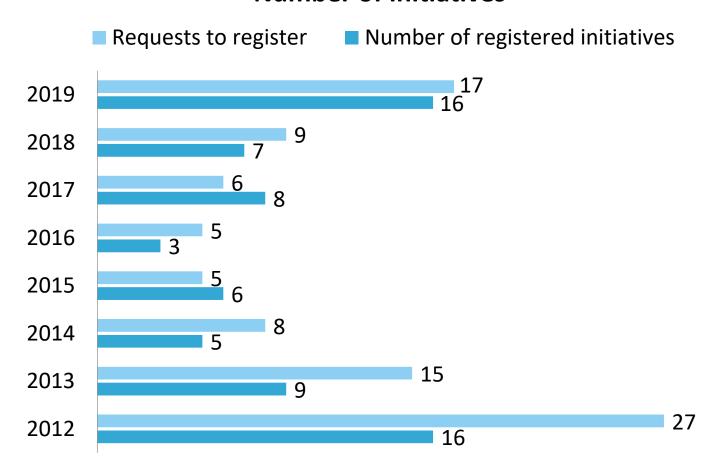
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#### **Number of initiatives**





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### #EUTakeTheInitiative 2019 Calendar

	Event/Momentum	Activity
13 March	n.a.	ECI Roadshow event in Malta
2 April	ECI Day 2019 "Digital Voices"	Presence with a stand, networking, presentation
11-13 April	Democracy Alive! Festival	ECI Roadshow event in the Netherlands & Presence with a stand
18 April	"What's up EU?"	ECI Roadshow event in Romania & Presence with a stand
4 May	Open Days	Presence with a stand
1 July	n.a.	ECI Roadshow event in Belgium
9-11 August	Arvamus Festival	ECI Roadshow event in Estonia & Presence with the stand
29-31 August	Europe Forum	ECI Roadshow event in Finland & Presence with the stand
24 September	n.a.	ECI Roadshow event in Slovenia
7 October	n.a.	ECI Roadshow event in Greece
21 October	n.a.	ECI Roadshow event in Slovakia
6 November	n.a.	ECI Roadshow event in Spain



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