This year, the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, which brings together personal, civic, political, economic and social rights, turns 20 years old. In a single text, these rights are enjoyed by every citizen in the EU. Citizens' rights receives its own chapter as the fifth in a set of seven chapters.

As part of the Connect Europe project, we aim to connect citizens and civil society representatives with the EU Charter and celebrate its accomplishments across 20 years. We aim to educate and raise awareness about its successes, as well as practically examine where the Charter could be modernised to fit a 21st century Europe that is battling populism and anti-EU rhetoric.

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Monday, May 11
15:00-16:30
Zoom

Part 1

Strengthening and raising awareness of citizens' rights in Europe

Introduction and Moderation by Daniela Vancic

Member of European Parliament, Daniel Freund - Right to petition EP (Article 44)

Marie Jünemann, Mehr Demokratie - Right to access documents (Article 42)

Helen Darbishire, Access Info Europe - Right to good administration (Article 41)

Each presentation is presided by a poll question to the participants

Part 2

Virtual European Public Sphere – Open discussion
Moderation by Anne Hardt

How can the EU Charter protect citizens' rights, especially in times of international crises?