

## THE EUROPEAN CITIZENS' INITIATIVE - WHERE DO WE STAND?

A major innovation of the EU Treaty of Lisbon allowing one million citizens from a significant number of EU Member States to ask the European Commission to propose new legislation, allowing citizens the direct right to influence the EU's legislative agenda.

You are invited to attend a discussion on the above subject on

THURSDAY, 9 December 2010 from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Europe House, 32 Smith Square, Westminster, London SW1P 3EU

- DIANA WALLIS, MEP and Vice-President of the European Parliament
- BERND BIERVERT, Deputy Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Sefkovic
- ROLF BUECHI of the Think Tank IRI Europe (Initiative, Referendum Institute)
- LORENZO MARSILI, European Alternatives

Community groups, NGOs, academics, policy and opinion formers may find this event interesting. The event is free and open to all on a first-come firstserved basis.

To register please email <a href="mailto:local-norm">Joanna.zywotko@ext.ec.europa.eu</a> by 30/11/2010 giving the title of the event you are registering for.

For further information please contact Elisabeth Sweeney Tel: 0207 227 4328

This event will be followed by a debate on the Sakharov Human Rights Prize which is also open to the public.



