



Adopted resolution

A European Act for Democracy

After the Irish "No!" to the Lisbon Treaty the process of strengthening the political union has currently stopped. The No has deepened the divide between European elite and 'the citizens'. The result of the Irish Referendum has also led to a strengthening of public ill-feeling against parliamentary democracy and the legitimacy of parliaments.

Even if the ratification of the Treaty of Lisbon does not occur, the democratisation of the Union and the embodiment of Fundamental Rights cannot be allowed to disappear.

Therefore in the meantime a Treaty of European Citizens, expressed in a 'European Act for Democracy', shall bring forward those parts of the constitutional process that protect and extend the rights of European citizens: the Charter of Fundamental Rights, the aims and values of the Union, the European plebiscite, the co-decision of the European Parliament, more rights for the national parliaments, the right of scrutiny by the ECJ, the transparency of legislation.

This "European Act for Democracy" shall be put to a Europe-wide Public Consultation.

The European Greens therefore will promote the idea of a "European Act for Democracy" within their member parties, in the parliaments they form part of and in the public in order to create the public will to make a step forward towards democracy and citizens' participation at the European level.