



# **The Europe for Citizens programme and the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018**



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Panel: Culture and identity**

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# Objectives Europe for Citizens 2014-2020

## **ULTIMATE GOAL**

Bring EU citizens closer to  
the Union

## **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

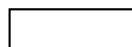
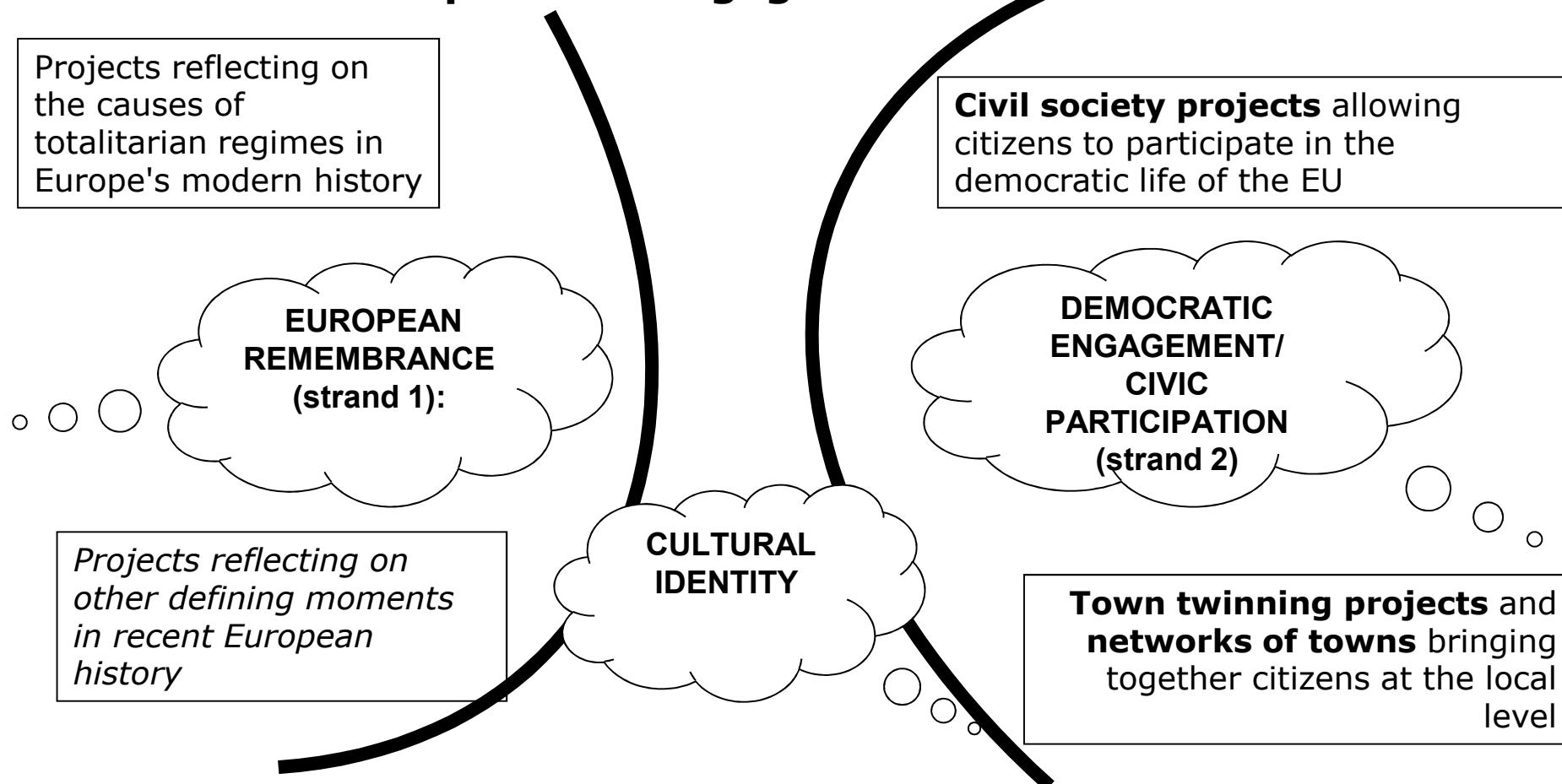
Contribute to the better  
understanding of the EU +  
Improve conditions of civic and  
democratic participation at EU  
level

## **ANNUAL PRIORITY 2018**

2018: European Year of Cultural  
Heritage



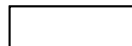
## → EUROPE FOR CITIZENS funds projects in which citizens can reflect on the past and engage for the future





## **"In Between" project:" (by European Network Remembrance and Solidarity, Poland, 2016/2017/2018)**

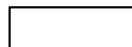
- *The "In Between?" project is an educational project about stories, pictures and history, but it is also a project about identity. Participating students are given the opportunity to learn in a workshop how to collect and document oral stories. After that, they travel to borderland regions using the visual material resulting from the workshop to show it to representatives of local communities on both sides of the borders and to discuss with them about the common history and its perception. They experience their cultural and historical identity in a wider European context beyond national borders.*





## **Network of towns "Se souvenir de l'avenir" (by Loches municipality, France, 2017/18)**

- *Dynamic and sustainable network of towns set up between municipalities coming from more than 20 countries and involving thousands of citizens to make them feel that they have a common European identity uniting them. Large scale citizens' meetings are organised including historical ceremonies but also workshops for young citizens giving participants the opportunity to experience European identity at the local level.*





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