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Rule of law in Hungary: press conference with lead MEPs

On Wednesday, ahead of a debate and vote in plenary on a resolution on the Hungarian government's efforts to undermine European values, lead MEPs will brief journalists.

Concerns about the Hungarian government's deliberate and systematic attempts to undermine the founding values of the EU enshrined in Article 2 TEU will be the focus of a plenary debate on Wednesday, from around 17.00. MEPs will then vote on a draft resolution on Thursday at 11.00.

Who: The standing rapporteur for Hungary Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield (Greens/EFA, FR), and the shadow rapporteurs Isabel Wiseler-Lima (EPP, LU), Thijs Reuten (S&D, NL), Ramona Strugariu (Renew, RO) and Malin Björk (The Left, SE), will explain the content of the draft resolution and answer journalists' questions.

When: Wednesday 31 May 2023, 11:00 - 11:30 CEST

Where: European Parliament in Brussels, Anna Politkovskaya press conference room (0A50), Spaak building, and with remote participation.

How: Accredited media representatives can attend the press conference physically. Journalists wishing to participate and ask questions remotely, please connect via Interactio by using this: https://ep.interactio.eu/66e2-hy1p-1w4u. The press conference will also be web streamed live and recorded on the Parliament's Multimedia Centre. Interpretation will be available to and from English, French, and Hungarian.

MEPs have repeatedly expressed major concerns over the state of EU values in Hungary, which has deteriorated further in recent years. Read more on threats to rule of law and fundamental rights in Hungary 2024.

Information for the media: using Interactio to ask questions

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When connecting, enter your name and the media you are representing in the first name / last name fields.



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For better sound quality, use headphones and a microphone. Interpretation is only possible for interventions with video.

Journalists who have never used Interactio before are asked to connect 30 minutes before the start of the press conference to perform a connection test. IT assistance can be provided if necessary.

When connected, open the chat window (upper right corner) to be able to see the service messages.

For more details, check the connection guidelines and recommendations for remote speakers.

Further information

Draft resolution

Breaches of EU values: how the EU can act (infographic)

Free photos, video and audio material (Rule of law in Hungary)

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