



## The Campaign

Between the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of May, elections in 28 Member States will take place. The wepromise.eu campaign is an innovative way to promote engagement between voters and candidates, helping to increase turnout and raise the profile of internet policy issues that are of particular importance to young voters.

Awareness of these issues is higher than ever before and this initiative gives election candidates the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and awareness of this issue, engaging passive citizens and turning them into active voters.

## The Idea

The project is based on a two-sided promise. As a parliamentary candidate you will be able to endorse a ten-point “Charter of Digital Rights” that supports an open, democratic digital environment. In turn, citizens across Europe can promise to vote – and to cast that vote for a candidate that has pledged to support the Charter.

The online platform wepromise.eu will allow voters in all 28 Member States to see which candidates are committed to extending civil rights into cyberspace through their support for the Charter. The two-sided promise will encourage democratic engagement and participation in the elections, particularly among younger EU citizens. In addition, it will enhance the profile and significance of digital civil rights in the next European Parliament.

## Your Commitment to Digital Civil Rights

1. **Sign the Charter:** You can now print the Charter of Digital Rights, sign it, scan it, and send it back to us (see reverse, for a detailed explanation visit: <http://www.wepromise.eu/en/page/charter>)
2. **Show voters that you care about digital rights:** You will have access to media such as electronic badges and banners that you can use on social media/websites to show your commitment to the Charter and digital civil rights.
3. **Create a video statement:** You can also explain your commitment and why you signed the charter by a short video statement. The video statements will be featured on our website and please get in touch with us to help you with the production.

For questions and further information, please contact us under [info@wepromise.eu](mailto:info@wepromise.eu) or visit our homepage [wepromise.eu](http://wepromise.eu)





## The Charter of Digital Rights

1. I will promote transparency, access to documents and citizen participation
2. I will support data protection and privacy legislation
3. I will defend unrestricted access to the Internet and online Services
4. I will promote an update of copyright legislation
5. I will not support blanket, unchecked surveillance measures
6. I will promote online anonymity and encryption
7. I will not support privatised enforcement outside the rule of law
8. I will support export controls of surveillance and censorship technology
9. I will defend the principle of multistakeholderism
10. I will promote Free software (Open source software)

I will oppose any measure that removes the power to make decisions on matters that affect European citizen's fundamental rights from the judiciary or democratically-elected policy-makers, including, but not limited to, any of the above points.

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**Constituency**

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**Name**

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**Signature**

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