

NOUVEL HAY MAGAZINE

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Au Parlement européen le 28
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NAGORNO-KARABAKH & THE EU 1988/2018

Taking stock of 30 years of
EU policy on the
Nagorno-Karabakh conflict



PROGRAMME OUTLINE

13.00: Welcome and introductory remarks, Frank Engel MEP
13.05: PANEL 1: TESTIMONIES FROM THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: 1988 – 1991

In retrospect: how did the European Parliament understand the emerging crisis? What were its recommendations?

14.00: PANEL 2: BLUEPRINT FOR ENGAGEMENT: 10 SUGGESTIONS FOR AN EU CONTRIBUTION TO NAGORNO-KARABAKH PEACE

Looking forward: what initiatives could the EU take improve lives of people in Nagorno-Karabakh, reduce tensions, build trust and pave the way to peace?

14.55: Conclusions

📍 **European Parliament,**
Room: JAN 6Q2
📅 **28 February 2018**
🕒 **13h00-15h00**



Organised by AGBU Europe and EuFoA, and hosted by Frank Engel MEP, Chairman of the Friends of Nagorno-Karabakh group in the European Parliament.

the people of Nagorno-Karabakh appealed to the Soviet authorities to exercise their right to unification with Armenia. This movement was triggered by the political uncertainty of the crumbling Soviet Union, which Armenia, Azerbaijan and Nagorno-Karabakh were all part of. In 1988 and in the following years, peaceful Armenian initiatives were met with violent repression by Azerbaijani authorities. By 1992, the dispute had escalated into an all-out war.

Thirty years later, what has been done to de-escalate and resolve this conflict? **European Friends of Armenia (EuFoA)** and **AGBU**

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Europe are pleased to invite you to an event hosted by **Frank Engel MEP**.

Join us on **February 28th** in the **European Parliament** (Room JAN 6Q2) from **13h00 to 15h00**, where, building on the European Parliament's institutional memory of the conflict and on the resolutions it adopted between 1988 and 1994, two panels of parliamentarians and other experts will critically assess the EU's current policies on the conflict and discuss some suggestions on how to rebuild confidence and promote peace-building actions among the peoples of Armenia, Azerbaijan and Nagorno-Karabakh.

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13.05 TESTIMONIES FROM THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: 1988 - 1991

In retrospect: how did the European Parliament understand the emerging crisis? What were its recommendations?

- **Tsvetana PASKALEVA, Journalist**
- **Jaromir STETINA, MEP (EPP)**
- **Eleni THEOCHAROUS, MEP (ECR)**

14.00 BLUEPRINT FOR ENGAGEMENT: 10 SUGGESTIONS FOR AN EU CONTRIBUTION TO NAGORNO-KARABAKH PEACE

Looking forward: what initiatives could the EU take to improve the lives of people in Nagorno-Karabakh, reduce tensions, build trust and pave the way to peace?

- **Lars ADAKTUSSON, MEP (EPP)**
- **Paul MEERTS, Netherlands Institute of International Relations 'Clingendael'**
- **Licinia SIMAO, Centre for Social Studies of the University of Coimbra (CES)**

14.55 CONCLUSIONS

The event is intended to encourage the European institutions to become more pro-active in their contribution to conflict resolution and human rights in the region.

To attend the conference, please register [HERE](#) by 20 February

The conference is hosted by Frank Engel MEP and organized by:

European Friends of Armenia ([EuFoA](#)) • Armenian General Benevolent Union ([AGBU](#)) Europe

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