

**XXth COSAC
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from 31 May to 1 June 1999**

Appeal to Voters in the European Elections

The participants in the XXth Conference of European Affairs Committees of the National Parliaments of EU Member States and the European Parliament, gathered in Berlin on 31 May and 1 June 1999, appeal to all voters in the European Union to participate in the fifth direct elections to the European Parliament which will take place between 10 and 13 June 1999.

Twenty years have passed since the first direct elections to the European Parliament. As a directly elected body, the European Parliament can contribute to the necessary strengthening of democratic decision-making within the institutions of the European Union.

All those who call for more democracy, more transparency and greater closeness to the citizen within the European Union, are urged to cast their vote in the elections to the European Parliament.