



# **EVALUATION IN DEMOCRACY**

**A 'PUBLIC HEARING' of the EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

**HOSTED BY TARJA CRONBERG MEP  
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**SPONSORED BY THE EUROPEAN EVALUATION SOCIETY (EES)**

**Purpose:** To explore the potential of evaluation in the democratic process through enhanced accountability and organizational learning  
**Audience:** MEPs, Evaluation experts of the EU institutions, EES members  
**Date:** 10 April, 2013  
**Place:** European Parliament, ASP 1 E 1, Rue Wiertz 60, B-1047 Brussels

**Programme:**

8.30 - 9.15

**Registration**

9.15 - 9.45

**Setting the stage**

Tarja Cronberg, MEP  
Maria Bustelo, EES President  
Moderator: Liisa Horelli, EES Board member

9.45 - 10.45

**Session 1.1: What is democratic evaluation?**

Two perspectives from Elliot Stern, former EES President and Bob Picciotto, EES Board member  
Audience debate  
Moderator: Claudine Voyadzis, EES Vice President and President Elect

**10.45 - 11.00 Refreshment break**

11.00 - 12.00

**Session 1.2: How can evaluation help strengthen accountability and learning in the European space?**

Murray Saunders, former EES President, on Accountability  
Ian C. Davies, former EES President, on Learning  
Audience debate  
Moderator: Maria Bustelo, EES President

12.00 - 13.00

**Session 1.3: Is the European Parliament benefiting from evaluation?**

A Round Table with representatives from Science and Technology Options Assessment (STOA), Policy Department and the Parliament library  
Moderator: Tarja Cronberg, MEP

**13.00 - 14.00 Lunch break**

14.00 - 14.30

**Session 2.1: Highlights of morning sessions**

Barbara Befani and Liisa Horelli, EES Board members

**14.30 - 14.45 Refreshment break**

14.45 - 16.00

**Session 2.2: The New European Commission Communication on Regulatory Fitness – Implications for Evaluation in the European Space**

Round Table: European Commission representatives (tbc)

Audience debate  
Moderator: Karin Attström

16.00 - 17.00

**Session 2.3: Where do we go from here?**

Final panel with all speakers and audience participation  
Moderator: Maria Bustelo, EES President