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Erste Foundation: Notification - #TimeToDecide22: Questions on the Future of the EU, Ukraine, Russia and the Western Balkan Countries

Vienna (ots) -

The summit will be livestreamed from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

On 20 May, leading European intellectuals will discuss propositions and possible solutions for Europe, the Western Balkans, Ukraine and Russia. On the initiative of ERSTE Foundation in cooperation with the Institute for Human Sciences (IWM), the aim is to make a future-oriented and value-based contribution to peace solutions that focuses on Europe as a whole.

Time To Decide Europe Summit 2022 on Friday, 20 May from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

The agenda and the live stream is available here: <https://www.erstestiftung.org/en/events/time-to-decide/>

Austrian Federal President Alexander **Van der Bellen** and Foreign Minister of Ukraine Dmytro **Kuleba** are expected to deliver the opening remarks (both online). The five moderated dialogues by two speakers will be complemented by discussions with some 20 experts:

- How should Ukraine be rebuilt after the war?
- What lessons can we draw from the Balkans?
- Is it Central Europe's moment in Europe right now?
- How will the European Union be transformed?
- What will the future be for Russia?

Participants include the following experts: Dimitar **Bechev** (Director, European Policy Institute), Franziska **Brantner** (Parliamentary State Secretary, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action), Marina **Davydova** (theatre critic, director, playwright and producer), Nikola **Dimitrov** (Non-Resident Fellow at the Institute for Human Sciences/IWM), Ivana **Dragičević** (editor-at-large, N1 Television), Florence **Gaub** (Deputy Director, European Union Institute for Security Studies), Misha **Glenny** (Rector, Institute for Human Sciences/IWM), Heather **Grabbe** (Director, Open Society European Policy Institute), Stephen **Holmes** (Walter E. Meyer Professor of Law at New York University), Anna **Jermolaewa** (Vienna-based Russian artist), Gerald **Knaus** (Chairman, European Stability Initiative), Ivan **Krastev** (Permanent Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences/IWM), Olivia **Lazard** (Europe's Futures Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences (IWM), Visiting Scholar, Carnegie Europe), Stefan **Lehne** (Visiting Fellow, Carnegie Europe Brussels), Márta **Pardavi** (Co-Chair, Hungarian Helsinki Committee), Serhii **Plokhyy** (Mykhailo S. Hrushevsky Professor of Ukrainian History, Harvard University), Susanne **Scholl** (writer, journalist and former ORF correspondent in Moscow), Sławomir **Sierakowski** (Senior Fellow, German Council on Foreign Relations), Zsuzsanna **Szelényi** (Director, Democracy Institute Leadership Academy), Nathalie **Tocci** (Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome), Maxim **Trudolyubov** (editor-at-large, Meduza), Ivan **Vejvoda** (Permanent Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences/IWM), Karolina **Wigura**, (sociologist, Robert Bosch Academy Fellow Berlin, member of the board at Kultura Liberalna Foundation in Warsaw), and Želimir **Žilnik** (Serbian film director). The conference's content curator is Dessy **Gavrilova**.

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