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## **2008 – Liverpool**

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**Upon the kind invitation of the British Council (London) the European Cultural Parliament held its 7th session in Liverpool on 24-26 October 2008.**

The session started Friday morning, October 24, and closed Sunday afternoon, October 26.

The theme of the session was “Culture, Media and Democracy”, a theme which has been prepared through a research report in cooperation with the European Journalism Center (EJC).

The session also continued the Sibiu discussion on *Open Space for Intercultural Dialogue*. Furthermore, there were continued reflections upon the role of *History* in European cooperation, integration, development and dialogue.

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## **Programme**

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The 7th Session of the ECP, Liverpool 24 – 26 October 2008.

“Culture, Media and Democracy”

### **Programme**

#### **Thursday 23 October**

**Afternoon/  
evening**

Participants arrive at the hotels.

**19.30**

Senators Meeting

**Friday 24 October**

**09.00-10.00**

Coffee and Registration in "The Blackie", Great George Street, Liverpool, L1

**10.00**

Session 1, Opening: Moderation: **Pär Stenbäck** and **Karl-Erik Norrman**. Speakers: **Luise Ellman**, British MP **Warren Bradley**, Leader of the City of Liverpool Culture Company **Edward Murphy**, OBE, Blackie Trust

**Karl-Erik Norrman**, ECP, **Bert Mulder**, ECP and **Giuseppe Zaffuto**, European Journalism Centre, EJC, present the "Brussels Report – "Democracy in Europe, a Challenge for Culture and Media" Presentation of new ECP Members.

**11.30**

Coffee Break

**11.45**

Session 2, Five Working Groups on "Culture, media and democracy" (Distribution of groups at registration).

Other aspects of democracy to be discussed in the groups: Democracy in Eastern Europe, Concrete ECP-proposals for artists and cultural actors, Role of Public Service, Intercultural dialogue

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<b>13.15</b>	Lunch
<b>14.00</b>	Session 3, Working Groups
<b>15.30</b>	Coffee Break
<b>15.45</b>	Session 4, Working Groups
<b>17.00</b>	Liverpool Students Question Time, moderation <b>Pär Stenbäck</b> and <b>Steve Austen</b> .
<b>18.15</b>	Students guide Participants to Liverpool Hope University.
<b>19.30</b>	Dinner at Liverpool Hope University. Speakers: <b>Venu Dhupa</b> , British Council, Rt Hon <b>Andrew Burnham</b> , UK, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, <b>Phil Redmond</b> , Creative Director and Deputy, Chairman of Liverpool Culture Company.

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**21.30 (approx)**

Return to Hotels

**Saturday 25 October**

**09.00**

Coffee

**09.30**

Session 5, Workshop Options: **Bill Harpe**, Liverpool –  
“Non-competitive Play” **Ms Jan Ryan**, London –  
“Working in Africa” **Ms Lucy Orta**, Paris – “Antarctica –  
No Borders” **Paul Howson**, London – “Understanding  
the work of the British Council” **Karsten Alnaes**, Oslo –  
European Identity **Mr. Kim Ramstedt**, Turku – NUROPE  
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**11.00**

Coffee Break

**11.15**

Session 6, Working Groups

**12.45**

Lunch at The Blackie's

**13.15**

Guided City Tour

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- 14.45** Session 7, Working Groups
- 16.15** Coffee Break
- 16.30** Session 8, Working Groups – Focus on Intercultural Dialogue
- 18.00** Results of working groups – moderation **Steve Austen**.  
Music: **Sabina Rakcheyeva**, Baku

**Sunday 26 October**

- 09.00** Coffee
- 09.30** **Helle Juul Larsen**, Copenhagen – “Public space as a catalyst for change”
- 10.00** Session 9, Conclusions and Closing – **Pär Stenbäck** and **Karl-Erik Norrman**

**12.45** Lunch at The Blackie's

**14.00** Participants Depart

The ECP expresses its gratitude to the following partners who made it possible to arrange the 7th Session:

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- Riksbankens
- Jubileumsfond
- Liverpool European Capital of Culture
- Blackie, Great
- Georges Community Arts Project
- Liverpool Hope University

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## **Brussels Report**

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A report of the workshop held in Brussels in July 2008 to serve as a basis for discussion at the 7th session of the ECP in Liverpool in October 2008.

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## **Liverpool Report**

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## **Conclusion of the 7th Session**

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