

The Ministry for Labour, Social and Family Affairs and Integration of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and the Hanse-Office have the pleasure of inviting you to the following expert discussion and networking event

## Empowering Youth for Europe – *The Future Shape of EU Youth Policies and Funding* –



29<sup>th</sup> November 2017, 18h00 – 21h00

at the Hanse-Office, Avenue Palmerston 20, 1000 Brussels

In December 2016, the Commission called for a **renewed push to invest in young people**, for an investment that lays the foundation for a fair, open and democratic society, for social mobility and inclusion. Europe shall create better opportunities for **solidarity, learning mobility and participation**. To this end, the Commission proposed actions like an **increase of 200 million euros in the budget of Erasmus+ until 2020**, the **setting up of a European Solidarity Corps** and a **revision of the European Youth strategy** for the period beyond 2018.

Against this background and on the basis of the experiences made with the current EU youth framework at local level, we will discuss with representatives of the EU institutions, the Member States, regions and municipalities as well as young people and stakeholders whether the current rules and proposed actions are sufficient to create the desired push. The event aims at identifying what improvements are needed and which further EU strategies and funding could be useful to prepare young people for their future – to empower them for Europe.

We would be delighted to welcome you to our event.

Please confirm your participation by replying to [events@hanse-office.de](mailto:events@hanse-office.de) by **25<sup>th</sup> November 2017** at the latest.

For further details, please see the attached programme.

The expert conference will be held in English. This event will be documented by pictures. By participating you declare to agree that these pictures may be used and published.