

## ***Keszthely***

### ***Discussing the future of Europe***

Keszthely, on the shores of Lake Balaton in the Zala region of Hungary, organised an event to share the reopening, almost 20 years after its closure, of its Balaton Congress Centre and Theatre — a good opportunity to invite, in June 2002, twin towns from the Netherlands, Germany and Poland to share their perspectives on Europe.

The core of this four-day event was a day of Europe, including conferences and an open debate forum on the future of Europe. The point of view was concrete: how the participating towns — Boppard (Germany), Hof Van Twente (the Netherlands), Stary Sacs and Jedrzejow (Poland) — can contribute to it.

The events, prepared in cooperation with local, regional and national key players — regional EU information centre, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, cultural centres, local associations — gathered a crowd of 3 000 local people and were widely covered by the local media.

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