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**Notice of participation in the European Parliamentary Elections in Denmark
Sunday, 25 May 2014**

(To resident EU citizens in Denmark who are automatically enrolled in the electoral register)

In the following "EU citizens" mean citizens of the other EU member states.

EU citizens hold voting rights and are eligible

European Parliamentary elections will be held in Denmark on **Sunday, 25 May 2014**, for the election of 13 members to the European Parliament.

EU citizens who are residents of Denmark and who by or before the election day have reached 18 years of age are entitled to participate in the elections in Denmark as voters as well as candidates. However, persons who have been deprived of their legal capacity under a guardianship order under section 6 (legally incapacitated) of the Guardianship Act, are disqualified from participating in the elections.

If your residency is registered in the Civil Registration System (the CPR), the permanent address requirement is considered to be fulfilled.

Enrolment in the electoral register

In order to exercise your voting right, that is the right to cast your vote, you must be enrolled in the electoral register. Whether you want to vote at the elections or not is your own choice.

An EU citizen who was enrolled, upon application, in the electoral register in Denmark for the European Parliamentary elections in 2009, and who is still a Danish resident, and who has neither moved abroad nor to the Faroe Islands or Greenland in the meantime, will *automatically* be entered in the electoral register in Denmark for the 25 May 2014 elections, unless he or she has requested to be struck off the register.

According to information in the Civil Registration System (the CPR) you belong to a group of EU citizens that fulfil the conditions for *automatic* enrolment in the electoral register for the European Parliamentary elections of 25 May 2014.

Therefore, you do not have to do anything if you wish to participate in the elections in Denmark on 25 May 2014. You are already automatically enrolled in the electoral register.



Requesting to be struck off the electoral register

No voter is allowed to cast his or her vote in the European Parliamentary elections in more than one EU member state. If you wish to participate in the elections in Denmark, you cannot also participate in the elections in your home country. If you prefer voting in the European Parliamentary elections in your home country, you must therefore request that you be struck off the electoral register in Denmark.

Your home country will be informed that you are enrolled in the electoral register in Denmark unless you have requested that you be struck off the register **not later than Friday, 9 May 2014**.

The request to be struck off the electoral register must be forwarded to the local district office in your residential municipality and must be received by the local district office **not later than Friday, 9 May 2014** to take effect in time for the European Parliamentary elections of 25 May 2014. Should you request to be struck off the electoral register in Denmark, you *cannot reverse* your withdrawal and ask to be put back on the electoral register in Denmark for the coming European Parliamentary elections of 25 May 2014.

For information on casting your vote in your home country, please contact your embassy or the competent authority in your home country. Additional information is obtainable from the electoral authorities of the individual EU member states, please see contact details on the Commission's website www.europarl.europa.eu.

Voting on election day and advance voting

Not later than **5 days before election day** will you receive a poll card indicating the specific polling station you will have to go to in order to vote on election day.

If you prefer voting before election day, you have the option of casting your vote in advance. The general rules of advance voting are as follows:

- In Denmark you may cast your vote in advance at any local district office – i.e. not limited to the local district office of your residential municipality – as from **Tuesday, 25 February** up to and including **Friday, 23 May 2014**.
- If you are staying abroad, you may cast your vote in advance at the local Danish embassy or consulate. Abroad you may cast your vote as from **Tuesday, 25 February 2014**. You must cast your vote well ahead of election day to ensure that it can be dispatched and received by the municipality that has your name recorded in its electoral register, before voting starts on the election day at 9am.
- When casting your vote in advance you must produce evidence of your identity (passport, driving licence or similar).

Yours sincerely,

Ministry of Economic Affairs and the Interior