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Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.

Free speech is at risk. Promoting and protecting life, family, and freedoms are too often considered positions that must be silenced, sometimes with censorship disguised as regulation, other times with violence. The murders of Charlie Kirk and Miguel Uribe highlighted these challenges faced by those who defend human dignity and fundamental values in the public arena.

The Political Network for Values is a global platform of political leaders committed to advancing public policies rooted in human dignity, the protection of fundamental freedoms, the culture of life, and the family as the cornerstone of society. Its **VII Transatlantic Summit** will foster a global movement in favor of freedom, in particular freedom of expression, an essential pillar of democracy.



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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

19:00 **Welcome reception**
Sponsored by the Foundation for a Civic Hungary

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

08:00 **Holy Mass** *[for those who wish to attend]*

08:30 **Access, accreditation, welcome coffee**
European Parliament

09:30 **Opening**
A Right Prior to the State

09:45 **The State and Freedom of Expression: custodians, not censors**
Sponsored by the Patriots for Europe Foundation

10:45 **Legislating without silencing: the role of the Parliament**

11:45 **Coffee Break**
European Parliament

12:15 **Defending Truth in Public Debate, Building Spaces for Dialogue**

13:15 **Standing Lunch**
European Parliament

15:15 **Counteracting Disguised Censorship in the International Forums**

16:15 **Academia, Culture, and Media as "sanctuaries" of freedom**

17:15 **The Next Generation Speaks: A Call to Action**

17:30 **A Transatlantic Alliance for Freedom**

18:00 **Closure**

19:00 **Reception dinner**
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