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Press release

LOCAL SOLIDARITY = GLOBAL SOLIDARITY NETWORK

– the first ever Network's meeting is taking place in Jette 14-15 March
with Herman Van Rompuy as keynote speaker!

Municipality of Kavadarci is a partner in a new European initiative „Local solidarity = global solidarity” Network which in short is called: SOLID. The project is co-financed by the Europe for Citizens programme, and it aims to empower actors to get more socially engaged for the sake of European solidarity and cooperation. The SOLID Network consists of 13 towns, regions and civil society organizations from all over the EU, FYROM and Serbia. The aim of the project is to implement new political tools that enable local communities to have an impact on the global and European solidarity in time of institutional and humanitarian crisis that different EU countries are currently facing.

From 14 to 16 of March 2018 the leader of the project – le Centre Culturel de Jette is hosting in Brussels the first SOLID international event which will bring together towns, regions and civil society groups from 12 countries that already belong to the Network, as well as local citizens. The local guests are welcome to join SOLID partners during two days of their Event – and they can chose from watching a movie show „Demain” that will be screened on March 14, interacting with experts on local and European solidarity during the plenary session (March 15, 9:30-12:30) and participating in workshops in the afternoon (March 15, 15:00-17:30). Mr. Herman Van Rompuy, President Emeritus of the European Council will be the keynote speaker of the plenary session.

For more information please visit: <https://www.facebook.com/events/908455572669485/>

Programme where local citizens can join:

14/03, 19.00: „Demain” movie show (FR)

15/03, Plenary session (FR/ENG)

9.30-10.00 Emilie Tondreau – Introduction to Europe for Citizens programme

10.00-10.30 Best practices from the SOLID partners group Jolanta Uzulina (Latvia) / Marcin

Barczykowski (Poland) / Evangelista Leuzzi (Italy)

10.30-11.30 : **Herman Van Rompuy, President Emeritus European Council** – European solidarity.

11.30-12.00: Peter Bezovnik (Serbia) – social solidarity on a national level.

12.00-12.30: Jo Van Damme (Belgium) – best practives from local solidarity actions.

15/03, 15.00-17.00: Workshops (FR / ENG)