



- ### 1. Why a YES Campaign?
- ✓ Ratification = top priority
 - ✓ Constitution = better Europe
 - ✓ Better institutions
 - ✓ Better procedures
 - ✓ European dimension
 - ✓ Limited level of debates on the national level

- ### 2. What is the YES campaign?
- A decentralized trans-national campaign in favour of the European Constitution
- | FRAMEWORK: | NETWORK: |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| ✓ Discussion | ✓ Pro-European NGOs |
| ✓ Exchange of Ideas | ✓ Pro-European YNGOs |
| ✓ Sharing experience | ✓ Political Parties |
| ✓ Motivation | ✓ Youth Political Parties |
| | ✓ Business |

- ### 3. Objectives of YES?
- ✓ to support national campaigns
 - ✓ not run national campaigns!
 - ✓ to coordinate
 - ✓ the biggest challenge of transnat. camp.
 - ✓ to share experience / best practice
 - ✓ press work / common message
 - ✓ to facilitate
 - ✓ exchange of experts
 - ✓ exchange of ideas

- ### 4. Where?
- ✓ in 11 countries holding referenda
 - ✓ 1st priority – real campaigning
 - ✓ Spain, Portugal, France, The Netherlands, Poland, Denmark, Luxembourg, Belgium, United Kingdom, Ireland, Czech Republic
 - ✓ in 13 countries having parl. ratification
 - ✓ 2nd priority – information campaigns
 - ✓ Italy, Greece, Slovenia, Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Sweden, Finland, Cyprus, Malta

5. Timeline



- ✓ 20. February 2005: Referendum in **Spain**
- ✓ April 2005: Referendum in **Portugal**
- ✓ June 2005: Parliamentary ratification in **Germany**
- ✓ 10. July 2005: Referendum in **Luxembourg**
- ✓ July 2005: Referendum in **France**
- ✓ Summer 2005: Referendum in **The Netherlands**
- ✓ Autumn 2005: Referendas in **Denmark, Ireland, Belgium and Poland**
- ✓ March 2006: Referendum in the **United Kingdom**
- ✓ June 2006: Referendum in the **Czech Republic**

6. State of play

	yes	no	n.d.
Spain	72%	13%	15%
Portugal	61%	11%	28%
Luxembourg	77%	14%	9%
France	70%	18%	12%

SOURCE: Eurobarometer, December 2004

7. Challenges

	yes	no	n.d.
Denmark	44%	36%	20%
UK	49%	29%	22%
Ireland	61%	13%	26%

In general: low turnout

SOURCE: Eurobarometer, December 2004

8. WWW.YES-CAMPAIGN.NET

- ✓ Launch: 19th of January 2005



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