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European Parliamentary elections in Denmark on Sunday 26 May 2019

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Notice to EU citizens with a permanent address in Denmark who are automatically enrolled in the electoral register.

ENG: You can vote and participate as a candidate for the European Parliamentary elections in Denmark

European Parliament elections will be held in Denmark on **Sunday 26 May 2019**. The voters in Denmark must elect 14 members.

As an EU citizen with a permanent address in Denmark, you can vote in the European Parliamentary elections in Denmark if you have reached the age of 18 years on the election day. If your residency is registered in the Civil Registration System (CPR), the permanent address requirement is considered to be fulfilled. You are also entitled to run for the elections in Denmark.

Foreign nationals who have been deported by final judgment (according to sections 22-24 or 25c of the Danish Aliens Act) and foreign nationals who have been deported by a final decision (sections 25-25b of the Danish Aliens Act), are however disqualified from voting.

If you are a British citizen and live in Denmark, you can read more here: https://elections.oim.dk/ep-elections/brexit/.

You are automatically enrolled in the electoral register for the elections in Denmark

To vote for the elections in Denmark, you must be enrolled in the electoral register. If you have been enrolled in the electoral register in Denmark in previous European Parliamentary elections, e.g. in 2014, 2009 or 2004, you will remain in the electoral register as long as you have a permanent address in Denmark. However, it is a precondition that you have not moved abroad, to the Faroe Islands or Greenland in the meantime or have requested to be struck off the electoral register (see below).

If you have previously been enrolled in the electoral register, you are automatically enrolled in the electoral register in Denmark, and **you do not have to anything** if you want to vote in the **European Parliamentary elections on 26 May 2019 in Denmark**. It is <u>voluntary</u> if you want to vote in the elections in Denmark.



If you want to vote in your home country, you must be struck off the electoral register in Denmark.

As an EU citizen with a permanent address in Denmark you can choose if you want to participate in the elections in your home country or your country of residence (Denmark). However, you can **only vote in one country**, and therefore you cannot vote both in the elections in Denmark and in your home country.

You are enrolled in the electoral register for the European Parliamentary elections in Denmark, but you may at any time request to be struck off the electoral register in Denmark. You do this by requesting the local authority where you live to do so. If you prefer to vote in the European Parliamentary elections in your home country, you must request your local authority of residence to be struck off the electoral register in Denmark.

Your home country will receive notification that you are enrolled in the electoral register in Denmark unless you have requested to be struck off the electoral register **no later than Friday 10 May 2019**. If you request to be struck off the electoral register later than 10 May 2019, it will not have effect until the elections in 2024.

For information on casting your vote in your home country, please contact your embassy or the competent authority in your home country.

You can cast your vote on the election day or cast your vote in advance

If you are enrolled in the electoral register for the European Parliament elections in Denmark, you can choose if you want to vote on the election day or vote in advance at an earlier date.

If you vote on the election day, you must appear at the polling place where you belong. It will be specified in the poll card which you receive by mail about 5 days before the election day.

Instead of appearing in person to cast your vote on the election day, you can vote in advance. You can cast your vote in advance in any local authority in Denmark from **Monday 15 April** up to and including **Thursday 23 May 2019**. If you stay abroad, you can vote in advance at a Danish embassy or consulate. Abroad, you can vote in advance from and including Tuesday 26 February 2019. You must cast your advance vote well ahead of election day to ensure that it can be dispatched and received by the local authority before voting starts on the election day at 9 am. Remember evidence of your identity when you cast your advance vote.

Processing of personal data

According to the General Data Protection Regulation and the Danish Data Protection Act, you have a right of access to the information which is registered about you. You can get that by contacting your local authority which has registered the information. You can demand to have rectified any incorrect information registered about you.