



legal complexities, and take a step forward with our democracy in Europe". The petition is available [here](#).

- <http://www.electio2014.eu/> information in 24 languages, from April 4<sup>th</sup> on.

### **DIPLOCAT on European Elections, Xenophobia and Euroscepticism**

The Public Diplomacy Council of Catalonia, in cooperation with OSIFE has presented the [final report](#) of the workshop that took place in January 2014 entitled: European Elections 2014: The Rise of Xenophobic and Eurosceptic Movements in Europe.



The report addresses three main topics:

1. The European Parliament and populism.
2. Xenophobia: the next major threat to Europe?
3. Controversy: is the press to blame?

### **VoteWatch Europe**

In some of the grantee meetings, the VoteWatch website has been presented as an interesting site that covers the activities of the European Parliament and Council, and provides valuable information, statistics and tools, that may also be of interest for some of the grantee's projects: <http://www.votewatch.eu/en/about-us.html>.

They are also working on these projects:

- <http://www.myvote2014.eu/> for a younger audience.
- <http://www.pollwatch2014.eu/> to follow the European Elections polls.

### **The Threat of the Far Right in Europe**

Heimat ohne Hasse – Homeland without threat: A project led by one of the grantees: a dossier on the MEP Andreas M $\ddot{u}$ lzer (FP $\ddot{O}$  – Austria) who is the editor of the far right newspaper "Zur Zeit". Available [here](#) (in German).

The Russian Connection: A document produced by the Political Capital Institute on the spread of pro-Russian policies on the European far right. Available [here](#).

### **Turn Political Apathy into a Chance to Rethink Democracy in Europe: the Video Challenge**

Peter Matjašič and Leonie van Tongeren have written a voice piece on the upcoming European Elections and a call to media-makers to have their say via a [video challenge](#).



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