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Press release: Our Europe Film Competition

On Monday 2nd February the Scottish European Educational Trust will host the semi-final of the Our Europe Film Competition 2014-15 at SocietyM in Glasgow.

This year's semi-finalist teams come from: Balfron High School (Stirling), St Lukes High School (East Renfrewshire), Kinross High School (Kinross), Lenzie Academy (East Dunbartonshire), Douglas Academy (East Dunbartonshire) and Marr College (South Ayrshire).

In the initial stage of the competition, teams of four S3-S6 pupils were asked to submit storyboards, which made use of at least one European language other than English, explaining their ideas for a short film about how being an EU citizen affects them. This year 70 teams from high schools across Scotland signed up to take part. The six best entries were then chosen and invited to participate in the Our Europe semi-final workshop day.

During the workshop the semi-finalist teams will participate in a film-making seminar, led by technology expert, Mark Pentleton from Radio Lingua. Pupils will then spend the rest of the day turning their storyboards into short films. At the end of the day the pupils will have the chance to present their finished films to a panel of judges who will select two teams that will progress to the final stage of the competition. The final will take place in June and involves a trip to Brussels, where pupils will get to visit the European Parliament and meet their MEPs.

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Note to editor: The Scottish European Educational Trust is a registered charity, set up in 1993 and provides information about Europe and the European Union to schools, colleges and universities. It works closely with the European Parliament, the European Commission, Education Scotland, the British Council and the Scottish Government. It recently won an Active Citizen of Europe Award from

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