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## Town Council elections on 9 October 2011 – If you are entitled to vote, please exercise your right! Register now!

Decisions taken by Town Councils concern us all for several reasons.

See the link [Quelles sont les compétences des communes, les 2 scrutins, le mode de fonctionnement, etc.](#)

The staff of European Institutions are often, erroneously, perceived as 'privileged' and existing in their own little world. As a consequence, we are subject to decisions taken by other people without being consulted.

Participating in local authority elections and showing that a significant number of 'Community' staff do vote in them may affect attitudes.

Our salary level is threatened by a forthcoming review of our Staff Regulations and our **purchasing power**, already weaker in Luxembourg than in Brussels, is shrunk by policy choices made locally. To mention just two fields:

- **Housing** is increasingly expensive, particularly for newly recruited colleagues.
- **Public transport** is insufficient, yet present policies indeed foster transport by private cars. Whether by choice or necessity, we shall have to confront this problem. Indeed,
  - In the near future the Court of Justice will be hit by a shortage of parking places.
  - Very influential local pressure groups are opposing the construction of a tramway line, a project already delayed and postponed for many years.
  - European School 2, which in 2012 will be established in Mamer - Bertrange, will suffer from serious difficulties of school transport, including for young children, a problem unknown in Luxembourg.

For these and many other reasons, we call on our colleagues and members of their families who don't have Luxembourg nationality to **register** on the voters' lists of their Town.

### Requirements:

- Age : 18 years old on 9 October 2011, election day ;
- Having been a resident in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg for at least 5 years on the date of registration.

### Steps to follow:

Register on the voters' list at the Town Council of your place of residence by **14 July 2011**, at the latest, to be able to vote in the elections in October.

For more information: <http://www.ikl.lu/voter.html>