The AsktheEU.org Community & What they say!

More than a civic tech platform, AsktheEU.org has become a fully-fledged community of access to information activists interested in promoting this right to increase public participation and making the EU accountable. By providing day-to-day support to the users of the platform, a network of journalists, pro bono lawyers, and CSOs working on the same issues but based in different countries has been established, so that they can help each other filing requests across the EU and its Member States.

Nikolaj Nielsen – EUobserver – 50 requests submitted

"What I really love about the platform is that you can do a "google search" within it. It's a repertoire of information that is already there so you can see what institutions have already responded instead of always having to re-launch new requests."

Hans Wetzels – Follow The Money & openDemocracy – 15 requests

"AsktheEU.org provides the necessary infrastructure to keep our theoretically democratic institutions actually democratic and transparent. Besides making my own professional work easier, AsktheEU.org is so immediate that I could explain how it works to my mum."

Mark Akkerman – Stop Wapenhandel – 19 requests submitted

"AsktheEU.org helps formulating requests and getting them to the right institution. Responses by the EU institutions are publicly visible … I frequently found information useful for my research by just looking through requests others had made."

Adrián Blanco – The Washington Post – 15 requests submitted

"AsktheEU.org is very useful if you are covering European affairs or national affairs within the EU. It helps journalists keep track of timeframes and deadlines. The platform is also helpful in getting inspiration from other users' requests, and information that has already been asked for."

Vicky Cann – Corporate Europe Observatory – 437 requests (yes, 437!!!)

"To hold decision-makers to account, to know what's going on, AsktheEU.org remains a super useful tool. I have put over 400 requests over the years and for me AsktheEU.org helps me to keep them organised. And the information is permanently in the public domain."

Bram Vranken – Vredesactie – 33 requests submitted

"AsktheEU.org is very user-friendly way to file access to documents requests, and as you can easily browse through requests and learn from other users' experiences. For anyone directly or indirectly involved in the fight for increased transparency, it has made life a great deal easier!"