Young European Federalists

Executive Board Meeting
DRAFT AGENDA

TIME	01.07.2026
PLACE	Online: (meet.google.com/ewi-hdsy-raa)

INVITEES **Executive Board Members**
Moritz Hergl, President
Debora Striani, Vice President
Anna van de Moosdijk, Treasurer
Achilles Tsirgis, Board Member
Konstantine Gagnidze, Board Member
Sara Rocchetto, Board Member
Christos Papagiannis, Secretary General

Observers
Francesca Marini, Federal Committee Presidium

Excused
Nea-Maria Törmänen, Vice President
Dvir Ezra, Board Member

MEETING PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. **Opening of the meeting and confirmation of quorum**
Proposal: The President opens the meeting and confirms that it is quorate.

2. **Approval of the agenda**
Proposal: The agenda is approved.

3. **Minutes of the previous meetings**
Background: The minutes of the previous meetings are available here
   - EB meeting of 20.05.2026: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HWCRmgXkaTgtpFNd48CWtarYq_LLeGd74F_8reTIeYU/edit?tab=t.0
   - EB meeting of 03.06.2026: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1cEJ9W3B5ReKjQ1xnt0Lh8A3YBnjoi_tEahubgUEV_9M/edit?tab=t.0

- EB meeting of 05.06.2026: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VfjdR3SCSryfwMMDmVAp5gYnF21xqWwYbLhACjXHfso/edit?tab=t.0
- EB meeting of 17.06.2026: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lgc_5XQIJRUX3O2dnb0zWscyBuODy1PoB1GqU3oZeYE/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.j9udx3owka6x

Proposal:

1. Ratify the vote on WhatsApp on the minutes of 20.05.2026 (6 in favour, one abstention) and 03.06.2026 (6 in favour).
   Decision: Approved
2. Approve the meeting notes of 05.06.2026.
   Decision: Approved
3. Approve the meeting notes of 17.06.2026.
   Decision: Approved

4. Secretary update (10 min)

- LEAR updated
- ING account in contact with them to get access again
- SIM card issue with the phone temporarily fixed for now

Presenter: Christos
Background: We will need to prepare and submit several reporting deliverables, evidence files, monitoring tools, and supporting documents for the 2026 reporting cycle. These include activity reports, work package evidence, financial and FTE documentation.

Deliverable / section	Task / action	Proposed EB person in charge
T1.1 EurHope Progress Tracking Report	Produce the EurHope follow-up/progress tracking report.	Moritz Hergl-President
T1.2 Democracy under Pressure	Document the 20th Democracy under Pressure edition.	Debora Striani-Senior Vice-President

T1.3 Europe Day / EU Youth Week	Collect and document Europe Day / EU Youth Week materials and results.	Debora Striani- Senior Vice-President
T1.4 Federalist Academy	Prepare reporting pack for Federalist Academy / Summer University development.	Dvir Aviam Ezra- Executive Board Member
T1.5 Educational Work Plan	Prepare reporting pack for Educational Work Plan and non-formal education tools.	Nea-Maria Törmänen- Vice-President
T1.6 The New Federalist Webzine	Export and document TNF/webzine outputs and podcast development.	Moritz Hergl- President
T1.7 Capacity-Building Seminars	Collect full reporting packs for two capacity-building seminars.	Anna van de Moosdijk- Treasurer
T2.1 Federal Committee meetings	Compile reporting packs for Spring and Autumn FC plus online/informal FC meetings.	Moritz Hergl- President
T2.2 Executive Board meetings	Compile evidence for four in-person EB meetings and bi-weekly online meetings.	Christos Papagiannis- Secretary General
T2.3 Representational travels	Create a 2026 representation/section-visit log.	Moritz Hergl- President
T2.4 Micro-grant cycle	Compile micro-grant cycle evidence and section reports.	Konstantine Gagnidze- Executive Board Member
T2.5 Financial Control & Audit Completion	Prepare a financial control/audit package.	Christos Papagiannis- Secretary General
D1.1 Work Programme- public	Draft the public Work Programme deliverable / annual activity report / PPT reporting.	Moritz Hergl- President & Christos

		Papagiannis- Secretary General
D1.1 quality / GDPR / visibility check	Review D1.1 for EU emblem, funding statement, disclaimer, accurate information and no sensitive/personal data.	Christos Papagiannis- Secretary General
D2.1 Number of Full-Time Equivalent Staff- sensitive	Prepare the sensitive FTE staff report.	Anna van de Moosdijk- Treasurer
FTE monthly monitoring	Track FTE every month against the 5+ staff threshold for €125,000 lump sum.	Anna van de Moosdijk- Treasurer

5. **Treasurer update (10 min)**
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6. **Communications Corner (10 min)**
   Presenter: Sara
    - Indicative planning for the next weeks [here]
        - Find a way to plan content with TFs and PCs. So, they do not need to reach out to Teresa, Sara and Moritz but their contact point. It will be important and helpful to have a weekly review for what's going to get published.
    - Reach out to PCs and TFs coordination (everyone)
        - XX: Considering the campaign on own resources, what's the preferred way to receive a series of posts? Are there any guidelines? Or XX could assist me? What's you preferred process?
        - XX: The main goal is to plan content a week ahead. If you need a 1-to-1 for a specific campaign I am more than available. The important is that you always poke/communicate with the comms team.
        - XX: I wanted to ask the same as XX: I have 5-6 posts that need to be posted. I can send them in excel form.
        - XX: We should always discuss internally a week earlier, but keep it in slack.
        - XX: There are a few upcoming posts on Enlargment for July.

- XX: We'll film a reel with Lukas Sieper. I'll try to do the same with JEFers who are MEPs.
- XX: Achilles help is needed in order to reach out JEF Greece.

- TF CB&PA would like to record reels for social media to encourage sections and empower them (XX) reference reels: https://www.instagram.com/p/DX4hKmIt99x/

DECISION ITEMS

7. **Ratification of the vote on the confirmation of the dates of the Spring FC in Rome (1 min)**
Presenter: Moritz
Background: Announced at the online FC and online Congress

Proposal: JEF Europe will hold its spring FC in Rome from 19 to 21st of March 2027.
Decision: Approved

8. **HR decisions regarding the contracts of the project officers (25 min)**
Presenter: Moritz
Background:
    - Contracts ending 26 of August
    - Email from Christos from June 23rd
    - Different scenarios regarding staff projections: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tdTTDUiF_vXXp8jGvuoLQmcfDCb4iX18/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=114361418127238284172&rtpof=true&sd=true

Proposal: Just discussion (due to staff matters, kept confidential)

9. **Vote on the allocation and responsibilities for the SGA deliverables (5 min)**
Presenter: Christos and Anna
Everything presented during the secretariat update.
Background: Should be done by end of November
Proposal: Approved

10. **Vote on the Jef Europe delegation to participate in the thematic sub-working group of the** drafting of the **Civil Society State of the Union 2027 and co-chair them**
Presenter: Debora

Inviting us to be part of the working group of the drafting of the Civil Society State of the Union. It will start September 29. The 1st proposal is Moritz connecting to freedom of movement. At the end a meeting with the Commission will follow. The 2nd pillar has to do with Social Europe (suggested: Anna). Then there are WGs about Environmental Policies (Nea) Digital Policies (Achilles), Human Development (Kote) Democracy (Debora). The report will be published next year and in between there will be meetings with decision-makers.
XX: I would like to exchange portfolios with XX. But I will wait for XX input as well.
XX: I missed the mail, so I would have a quick look before voting. I'm positive nevertheless.
XX: We need to see our capacities and not also try to get the chair for every portfolio. We should avoid getting overstretched. Please XX send the email and your proposal in there, so we can vote next week.
XX: This opens a discussion and I need to temporarily give the position with XX to work with them during working hours and then vote in the next EB meeting.
XX: It's better to find another EB member temporarily, considering Christos' workload.
XX: We have already voted that different EB members are in charge of different WGs. I'm in favor of including Christos. But I would say that we postpone the vote.
XX: Is there any travelling or is it online?
XX: It's mainly online.
Decision: Vote in the next EB meeting

11. Vote on starting a civil society alliance with Volt on DTMS (12 min)
Presenter: Moritz
Background: Moritz had a meeting with JEF Germany and with Volt on the topic.
In the past there was a misunderstanding because Volt was mainly mentioned in the Media for those mobilizations which annoyed JEFers. But this came as a result of Volt's strong media presence. Then Volt used the "Don't Touch My Schengen" motto for their campaign, annoying even more the JEFers. Nevertheless, we had a meeting last week and it was very inspiring. So we are discussing an alliance with Volt, We Are Europe, JEF Germany and JEF Europe. So, the goal is to open this initiative to other parties etc.. But the coordination will happen by Volt We Are Europe and JEF. We need to utilize their know-how and network, because we don't have the

same capacity. Germany will decide if it prolongs the border controls, so we are organizing border hikes with JEF Munchen and Bavaria. Moreover, we'll put a lot of emphasis on having more participants from political parties. There is a danger of not being as visible as Volt, but the conversations we had were so constructive that feels possible for us to keep our ownership of the campaign.
XX: I would prefer civil society organizations to be coordinators and Volt supporting. But with Volt as coordinator keeping a transpartisan character will become very difficult. If it's possible to negotiate this it would be important.
XX: The coordinating organizations won't have different visibility than any other supporter -logos with alphabetical order.
XX: I know Volt and the only problem is that they normally want more exclusivity. But if we can safeguard this it's fine.
XX: I think Volt will de facto overpower us through their social media presence.
XX: If we ask so much, they can kick us out and do it without us. Should we consider safeguarding the copyright of our campaign?
XX: It's very expensive to have the copyright. The best way to safeguard is to find equally strong participants. The European Youth Forum could be a possible one.
XX: We don;t have the power of a political party, but we have power. If we don't stand for our central role it is like giving up our campaign.
XX: It's not so expensive to safeguard the copyright.
XX: I think that in Benelux we'll find parties to support us. We should not act as we are babies in politics. We exist much more time than Volt and the campaign as well. XX, you could write an email to the president of the Spinelli Group.
XX: I did that, but she said that the party cannot officially support.

Possible partners here:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lYGDcxEUt4P70SbIg-tLDSRpwgsDv64QLmXetLgqovk/edit?tab=t.0

Proposal: Decide that JEF Europe together with JEF XX and its local sections, and any other local section wishing to join the campaign, will do so in a civil society alliance with We are Europe as well as political parties (including Volt) - with the aim of building a large alliance. The tasks are a joint petition before August and an action day in September.

Decision: Approved

12. Voting on PC1 to start looking at the Political Platform (10 min)

Presenter: Moritz
Background: Interest from PC 1 to contribute to the re-writing,
XX: They want time to start writing amendments between the 2 FCs and before the Congress.
XX: In Athens we will have more of a debate on statutory reform and then proceed to changes discussion.
XX: Task PC 1 to deliver recommendations to the EB on focus areas that should be updated in the Political Platform of JEF Europe until 15 of October.
Decision: Approved

13. Standard duration of validity of reimbursements (10 min)

Presenter: Moritz
Background: On behalf of XX
Proposal: Decide that the standard time of reimbursements of any sort has to be submitted within 30 calendar days after an event to be eligible for reimbursement. If questions are asked, this can be extended by one week.
Decision: Approved

14. Fundraisers WG call (3 minutes)

Presenter: Konstantine
Background: During discussions at in person EBxFC meeting the proposal was to establish a team of experienced fundraisers and project managers, who can write projects and attracts funds for our network
XX: Who could participate
XX: The whole network and professionals who want to contribute to JEF XX.
Proposal: Konstantine will open call, organise interviews and form the group within the network and coordinate their work.
Decision: Approved

15. JEF Phone

Presenter: Christos
Background: The current JEF phone has recurring technical issues and is no longer reliable for daily organisational use. This creates practical difficulties for communication, coordination, two-factor authentication, and other administrative tasks linked to JEF Europe’s work.

Proposal: The Executive Board is asked to approve the purchase of a new JEF phone with a budget of EUR 200–300
Decision: Approved

END OF DECISION ITEMS

16. Organisational update (10 min)

- WG Statutory reform
    - XX: *I'm not sure if they are already working. Should I reach out to them and check?*
    - XX: *Yes, why not a nudge.*
    - XX: *Yes, I think we need to give them more structure and a plan. We could ask for a written monthly report.*
    - XX: *Have an introduction meeting and a discussion with them. Imposing them a whole calendar it's not a way to go, but drafting a mission letter and afterwards a meeting would be helpful.*
    - XX: *I would be careful with the mission letter, because we might be seen as the people changing the statutes in our own shake. They were tasked by the congress, not the EB.*
    - XX: *Let's have a recommendation letter and not a very strong wording.*
    - XX: *Ursula issues mission letters and this doesn't create institutional power. It's just a nice way to show our priorities.*
    - XX: XX *is also in the WG. So, who writes the mission letter?*
    - XX: *The whole EB.*
    - XX: *We need to send the mail as soon as possible -even without the mission letter.*
    - XX: *We need to have a basis of the discussion and I would like to be part of the team writing the letter.*
    - XX: *We could discuss it in a presidential meeting.*
    - *Draft a mission letter*
        - *TF for mission letter: Kote, Anna and Moritz*
- Update on the FC Athens
    - A meeting happened with Christos Tsertsenes and some things are looking positive:
        - XX: There was an erasmus+ program on mobility which can be linked with Athens FC (26k). Contacted Laura

already -I'm waiting for the final acceptance letter. I will have a meeting with the consortium. The second mobility will happen in Spain and they can do whatever they want. There are some risks of being seen as a bit pushy, but we already had an agreement. Nevertheless, I will do my best to give the floor to sections.

  - XX: A big part of participants is covered by this program.
  - XX: The agenda is very analytical and there is a study meeting during the FC. So many things of the FC can be linked with the deliverables.
  - XX: It's good that we have the final confirmation and I hope the sections don;t decide to keep anything for themselves. We could also book the food of the event. And a big part of the hotel.
  - XX: Some people will have some second thoughts.
  - XX: Aren't we going to cover the DEFC travels?
  - XX: That's the goal, but we are not sure yet.
  - XX: Can we have a mapping after we know who are elected? The money could be discounted by participation fees?
  - XX: asking participants to pay is going to be inappropriate.
  - XX: Not for the mobility but the statutory meeting.
  - XX: The sections might become more constraint to support the FC if we ask this.
- Hosting the Congress: Publish call

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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17. Advocacy update

17.1. Democracy under Pressure

- Doing a post from DF Caux (Ani has sent the text and pics).
  - XX: We should post on our SoMe.
  - XX: We can do our post to follow up.

- XX: It would be good to agree on the collab with their post, because it will bring visibility.

17.2. Don'tTouchMySchengen

- Discussed above.

17.3. MFF advocacy

- Emmanuel Macron on Own ressources.
- The Irish presidency is taking over whatever Cyprus left behind. Many nations are quite dissatisfied, because they feel that there aren't enough cuts. We should capitalize on the Own Resources during the campaign.
- XX: Write the text for a post and let;s move on step by step.

17.4. Federalist Peace Forum

- XX: The discussion is moving on but not yet the application.

17.5. Enlargement

- Update from consultations
- Working group on EU Enlargement grant call: https://enlargement.ec.europa.eu/news/your-voice-eu-enlargement-call-organisations-host-outreach-and-engagement-events-2026-06-29_en
  - After consultation we came with the idea of having an informative campaign. The sections from non-member countries don't speak a lot about enlargement. So the main objective would be to raise awareness.
  - XX: Jan will also support it.
  - XX: Should I organize an informative EB meeting for this campaign? Or I should just send written report? Regarding EU is loading.
  - XX: We can have a meeting and invite whoever wants to join. But if you don;t have time the written part could work.

17.6. Treaty Reform

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17.7. Fighting nationalism

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17.8. Any other advocacy points

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18. Section update

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19. Other updates

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20. TF CB&PA update - Konstantine (5 minutes)
    - Grants Lab 2.0
    - TF will contact each EB members to map sections needs
    - Twinning marathon kick off from Athens
    - Masterclasses of policy writing after FC Athens in preparation for Rome
    - They are very alive and people stepped up in the TF.
    - XX: I said that sections can reach out directly. JEF Brussels and Sweden have already signed up. JEF Georgia is thinking about it.
    - XX: Twining is in the portfolio of Achilles
    - XX: I will reach out to him and inform the sections accordingly.
21. Interview with Florian (3 minutes)
    - Presenter Konstantine
    - The person is doing their master research on organization structure and how civil society organizations work. It will be a very interesting paper. It will be beneficial to find out some gaps but also appreciate our advantages. I will forward the mail, but we should discuss and vote.

CLOSING OF THE MEETING

22. Any other business

- XX: Met the Commissioner on Youth. We had a meeting with youth councils.
- XX: Meeting with JEF XX to help them find funding for the peace CB.
    - We can move with reimbursement for the upcoming expenses (utilizing the leftovers from the EBFC). But we need to do it quickly.

- XX: Entering the season of summer we might want to slow down a bit and cancel some meetings.

23. Closing of the meeting