

EB skype December 1, 2019

Present: Leonie, Sebastiano, Emma, Diletta, Andreas, Moritz, Chris, Hanna

Excused: Milosh

Minute keeper: Emma

1. EB-FC meeting

A. Draft EB FC agenda

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UA4wPAPUOdJrAEEhI8skJT6myU8wAHoOONSqELVSOM/edit?ts=5de0ed92#>

- EB discusses the draft agenda created by SG, President and Presidium.
- At the EB-FC meeting, FC decides what to discuss but EB will suggest some topics to guide the discussion

B. Draft EB only agenda

- a. Items were collected for the draft agenda: Final discussion 2020 Action Plan, Discussion Friends of JEF, Evaluation Congress, Prepare next steps Human Resources, Democracy under Pressure, to do s from action plan, etc, AOB, see if there is potential time for discussion on political situation; more to be added
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C. TF proposals

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ejR-c9tAsUEhiQzEG7WcHOdfjQ-PRtTrkrRSR-Tvvl8/edit?usp=sharing>

- Sebastiano explains why to withdraw the idea of TF advocacy, and Leonie clarified the role and goals of TF Resilience (in TF working document)
- TF Empowerment still needs content (Hanna to follow-up on and detail as the EB member dealing with inclusion)
- TF Green Transition (Andreas to follow-up on and detail)
- TF Y-FED (Milosh to follow-up and detail)
- Should any other ideas for TFs come up -> important to stress that TFs should be created having a specific goal in mind (purpose-driven) and do not need to be open for the entire mandate but can be 'closed-off' once their goal has been achieved

D. Action Plan 2020

- The Action plan: needs to be finalised during the EB-FC meeting. All board members to go through the action plan by this weekend to make sure everything has been added and that it is coherent (use track-changes or comments)

2. Civic Forum campaign ("Civic Pride Days")

- Re civic pride days (Alejandra sent an email) by the Civic Forum (network we are part of)
- Last year we took part in the campaign but did consciously chose to not adopt the campaign name ("Make Europe Great Again") Too late to ask for help with sections + might be confusing with Democracy Under Pressure (because of the timing)

- Leonie's proposal: 1. Secretariat to publish? Final Faker Fighters conference. 2. Staff and Leo (+ individual board members if you want to) will publish a video on International Day of Volunteering -> thank JEFers (approved); Leonie to inform Alejandra

3. Update: Conference on the Future of Europe (including UEF FC)

- [Resolution on the Conference on the Future of Europe](#) adopted at the UEF FC in Rome (adopted by unanimity) - Strong role of JEF in brokering compromise.
- Leonie spoke on a panel regarding the Conference on the Future of Europe at the UEF FC with Dastoli, Sandro Gozi, MEP Domenec Ruiz Devesa, MEP Brando Benifei.
- [Joint statement](#) with UEF on the [Franco-German non-paper](#) on the Conference published last week. [Pushback](#) by some Member States.
- Mid December to be expected (17/12): a Concept Paper by the Commission on the Conference on the Future of Europe
- January: the EP should adopt its position in a resolution
- Will Council officially feed with its position on how the Conference should happen?
- Work in progress: document on methods for citizens' involvement with CSO network
- To be discussed for EB only meeting: mail to sections, position on youth involvement, UEF FC debriefing

4. Recent political developments (open round to raise issues)

- Malta - Emma reports about the political situation arising from death of murdered journalist. (good updates in English on 'Times of Malta' and 'LovinMalta')
- Italy - Diletta reports about the crazy and polluted discussion about European Stability Mechanism (ESM) reform (cf [JEF resolution EuCo Malta](#))
- Hungary
- Germany: keep an eye on the situation with new party chairs of SPD (will be elected next weekend), might break the coalition
- Netherlands: massive farmers demonstrations that put the country on halt, supported by right wing populists Baudet & Wilders
- Climate urgency + European Green New Deal / COP
- Belgium still doesn't have a government.

5. AOB

- Albania: Moritz to get in touch with people on the ground to make sure they are ok
- Think about how to react on natural disaster (etc.) in general, quick reaction needed

Handling sections postponed for EB only part of EB-FC meeting