

EB agenda

June 1st 2022, 8pm CEST

Present: Juuso, Christelle, Flavia, Knut, Gergana, Robin, Judit, Antonio, Helena

Minutes: Helena

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. Adoption of draft minutes ([EB 06/05](#); [EB 18/05](#))
3. Political Commission chair meeting update
4. International Officers' evening
5. Secretariat update
6. Political update
7. Summer EB Meeting Date and location
8. Paper on Health
9. Online Congress
10. AOB
 - a. "Panchine Europee"
 - b. Summer for feedback, reflections and planning
 - c. Budapest workplan seminar

1. Adoption of draft agenda	Decision: Agenda adopted with proposed amendments.
2. Adoption of draft minutes (EB 06/05 ; EB 18/05)	Decision: Both draft minutes approved.
3. Political Commission chair meeting update Meeting happened on 31/05. One chair from each Political Commission (PC) attended. Minutes . Main conclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Discuss timing and actions apart from policy writing and statutory events.- PC chairs to discuss priorities with their PC members and EB contact.- Different PCs will work differently, as time commitment varies.- Overall, positive experience. Time during the IO evening to be devoted to share perspectives on how to work.	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Time during the International Officer (IO) evening to be dedicated to shortly discussing PC work and priorities.- EB to add any comments to the brainstorming document on PC work.

<p>4. International officers evening</p> <p>Agenda remains similar to the last EB meeting proposal.</p> <p>Focus on action: what needs to be done regarding CoFoE¹ follow-up and how to effectively work among sections.</p> <p>Project reporting by Secretariat (Alexandra), including the COYV project (emphasis on survey responses by end of August).</p>	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB to remind their respective contact sections during this week. EB contact persons to communicate who will attend from each section (via Slack). - Alexandra to prepare the projects' update. - EB to prepare slides and moderation/distribution of tasks (coordinate via Slack).
<p>5. Secretariat update</p> <p>a. Contract updates</p> <p>Lorène communicated her departure. She is preparing a very thorough handover document and will be available to chat with the new employee.</p> <p>Waiting for financial security (grant results) to recruit her replacement. Open call to be published in June/July, the new person to start at the end of August. They would already help with the organisation of the Federal Committee (FC).</p> <p>b. Projects and other updates</p> <p>There have been evaluation meetings with the Secretariat.</p> <p>A documentary was recorded in the JEF office today.</p> <p>The project on Sustainable Development Goals is ongoing.</p>	<p>Decision: Judit to keep EB updated on lapsing contracts' situation.</p>
<p>6. Summer EB Meeting date and location</p> <p>Logistics to be discussed (on arrival-departure).</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 19-21/08 in Bulgaria. - EB to possibly provide approximate travel costs and provide confirmation on the date (via Slack).

¹ Conference on the Future of Europe

<p>7. Paper on Health</p> <p>Publication format and date concern: should be published as of May. Use of technical language prevents its broader use to communicate the content with the network.</p> <p>General agreement that more awareness and encouragement for participation is needed for the future.</p> <p>The nature of the document is to represent a declaration. Links to resolutions mentioned in the paper should be included. Citations and references to be revised and correctly hyperlinked.</p> <p>After publication, work can be done to highlight key conclusions in an accessible language and possibility to produce briefs for MEPs.</p>	<p>Decision: To be published on the website. To be revised until Saturday (04/06).</p>
<p>8. Online Congress</p> <p>Membership data updated and checked by Robin (together with Judit and Antonio).</p> <p>Information email with the number of delegates and clarifications was sent today. A second information email will be sent closer to the date. Deadline to send documents is 3 weeks before the Congress (next Wednesday, 08/06).</p> <p>On numbering Congresses, they will be differentiated -in-person, every two years; and Online (this one being the first one).</p> <p>Revise Statutes and make amendments for statutory changes (if needed). Due to time constraints and to provide the full list of questions, the Arbitration Board to be</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Second information email to be sent with further information on the procedure and financial documents by 08/06. - EB to prepare feedback for the Arbitration Board. - Judit to collect best practices from other organisations and learnings.

<p>contacted with a feedback list from statutory requirements after the Online congress.</p> <p>Proposal to compare the number of delegates and members with the size of the population for every section at the FC.</p> <p>The Internal Audit report will be presented at the Federal Committee in Prague, internal auditors will be invited to the online Congress. The goal next year is for them to have the time to produce the report before the Congress.</p>	
<p>9. Political update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Convention <p>EPP² (but not only) stopped the AFCO³ draft, so no fast report I but a resolution so every committee has to give inputs and observations. It will not be ready by June. Importance of citizens and civil society involved, not possible to go to an intergovernmental process by unanimity. Importance for JEF to be in touch with other networks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Civil Society Convention (30/06 final event, probably end of the network), - EMI⁴ - Link with election campaign: YFJ⁵ and other youth organisations <p>Importance at the IO meeting to discuss national campaigns on the convention based on different realities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Denmark referendum <p>The EB rejoices with the results of the referendum in Denmark marking the end of the optout in defence and congratulates JEF Denmark on the great campaign!</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <p>Further actions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Antonio will share the document with the EB. EB to share feedback. - “What if” initiative to be further elaborated. - Discussion and work on enlargement to be continued. The mission stays to keep building sections.

² European People's Party

³ European parliament Committee on Constitutional Affairs

⁴ European Movement International

⁵ European Youth Forum

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enlargement <p>Conference on Western Balkans in June called by the French Presidency</p> <p>All big countries except Italy against candidate status for Ukraine</p> <p>Move of European integration discussion from internal market integration to values, defence, external policies, etc.</p> <p>Including Western Balkans countries in the “What if...” series, even ones that don’t yet have a JEF section by working with local NGOs thereby creating new contacts.</p> <p>Idea of the Confederation going around, Albania in favour, Ukraine strongly against. How can we as federalists shape this and have an impact?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Poland plan despite rule of law breaches <p>Very important question of values. A symptom of lack of capacities from the Commission to achieve all goals, its waiting posture before acting on rule of law breaches and intergovernmental diplomacy</p>	
<p>10. AOB</p> <p>a. “Panchine Europee”</p> <p>Project of “European benches” started by JEF Italy. Reach out to the municipality to paint benches in blue and yellow stars. Benches could be dedicated to concrete personalities.</p> <p>EB aims to turn this into a European initiative. Progress should be tracked, to possibly create a map of European benches (similar to JE France’s “label ville européenne”).</p> <p>b. Summer for feedback, reflections and planning</p>	<p>a. “Panchine Europee”</p> <p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flavia to coordinate with JEF Italy for information sharing so documents can be translated and shared. - Initiative and relevant documents to be communicated to sections to replicate in their context. Helena to prepare a draft email with information from JEF Italy. - Antonio to coordinate the project in Brussels. <p>b. Summer for feedback, reflections and planning</p> <p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agreement that tasks and

Important to list the tasks ahead of summer and distribute responsibilities efficiently.
Communicate via Slack
Time during the next EB meeting should be devoted to sections' updates.

c. Budapest Work Plan seminar

Christelle participated in the human rights activism training that took place in Budapest in May as part of the Work Plan 2022:

- Very good group, half JEFers and half non JEFers that now almost all want to participate in JEF activities and help us build new sections.
- Advocacy action on Hero Square in Budapest with a cardboard tank to call for a ban on oil and gas from Russia.
- Great organisation -so a big thank you to Mirjam and Michal!
- Follow-up activities with a grant of up to 250€ will be organised by participants in cooperation with their local sections (if one exists)
- Next training in Glasgow at the beginning of September.

responsibilities should be communicated; the summer period will be used for feedback.

- **Time will be devoted to sections' updates during the next EB meeting.**

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Decision:

- **More information on sections' participation will follow.**
- **Next training will be held in Glasgow, 07-11/09.**
- **Agreed that sharing contacts from interested people/potential JEFers is useful and these should be used by EB contact persons to help build the network.**

The EB meeting closes at 22:40 pm CEST.