

EB minutes

September 14th 2022, 8pm CEST

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

Excused: Knut, Robin

Minutes: Helena, Christelle

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. Adoption of draft minutes (EB Sofia)
3. Secretariat updates
4. State of the Union reactions + political updates
5. Increasing EU Budget PR
6. International Officers evening
7. Federal Committee meetings of Prague and Malta
8. Federalist Academy
9. European Benches
10. Ukraine
 - a. EUkraine pen pal scheme
11. AOB
 - a. EYE Santander
 - b. LevelUP! update
 - c. Relay
 - d. Dates of EB/FC meeting of December
 - e. EB Members Travelling Scheme
 - f. Tanzania
 - g. The New Federalist

1. Adoption of draft agenda	Decision: Agenda adopted unanimously.
2. Adoption of draft minutes (EB Sofia)	Decision: To be adopted at next EB meeting.
3. Secretariat updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ongoing IMPACT project training in University of Youth and Development (UYD) in Mollina.- WP2022¹ Edinburgh seminar (last weekend).- EP² Grant submitted, but EP extended the process, which delays the potential hiring process.	Decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Judit will share WP2023 draft to be shared with the EB for further input and concluded before 01/10 (submission deadline).- EB to further share the COYV survey.- Feedback form for the Online Congress: to be drafted and sent before the FC email (and a reminder sent then).

¹ WP: Workplan

² European Parliament

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operating Grant 2023 submitted with microgranting. - Membership Officer selection process to be concluded at the end of this month. 	
<p>4. State of the Union reactions + political updates</p> <p>Round of feedback and reflections on the SotEU³; implications and follow-ups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We published a Press release, followup needed to understand new announcements - 2023 will be the European Year of Training and Education, it might be a funding opportunity for Europe at School. - Collective reflection on the key inputs from the speech, although general feeling that our key political goals have not been fully addressed. - CoFoE⁴ still needs a proper follow-up (and the Convention possibility being delayed by Czech Presidency). <p>Quick overview on the Elections in Europe (Sweden):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An open debate to reflect about the new rise of the nationalists right should be organised to encourage collective reflection. Focus on the young people rather than well-known politicians. <p>Towards the next European Council, which are our main claims?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CoFoE, increasing EU budget, Treaty change (How?) - The SoTEU follow-up can include further campaigning actions on what we mean by Treaty change and a Convention. Advocacy actions can 	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On the debate on the rise of nationalism, a draft proposal will be presented and further discussion can take place during an upcoming EB Meeting.

³ State of the Union

⁴ Conference on the Future of Europe

<p>include collaboration with supporters outside of JEF, linked to other communities.</p>	
<p>5. Increasing EU Budget PR Press release to be adapted and published on Monday 19th (the day before the next European Affairs Council)</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Press release to be published on Monday 19/09 morning. Light deadline on Friday afternoon, hard deadline on Sunday at 6 pm.
<p>6. International Officers eventing Organising the agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clarifying the narrative on EU elections to be addressed to the sections -what are sections' plans for the EP elections - TF EP Elections plans and communications' strategy with sections - Clarifying the narrative on Europe <i>What if;</i> - Mentioning the dates for the Prague FC and running project seminars (IMPACT & Federalist Academy). - Recalling the Membership Survey. - Who does what (slides, presenting topics etc.) 	<p>Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB to contribute to the finalisation of the agenda and clarifying the content that will be presented to sections. Content to be completed by Monday, 19/09. - EB members to further contact their sections for missing replies (as well as for the membership survey).
<p>7. Federal Committee meetings of Prague and Malta</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On the Prague FC: Deadline to send the draft agenda to the sections: 14/10 Meeting with the Presidium for the draft agenda: before the 14/10 Monitoring process: 30/09 <p>Logistics discussed with Prague volunteers. Issues/Concerns: COP26 overlaps with Prague FC dates. Programmes to put together IMPACT, Federalist Academy and FC to be further detailed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On the Malta FC: 	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To-do list for the Prague FC preparation (ahead of deadlines) to be prepared by the EB. - Malta FC dates to be discussed with JEF Malta, to be announced in Prague

<p>Need a meeting with JEF Malta early next week to clarify the FC dates.</p> <p>Dates' issue discussed, as weekends' availability in April are quite limited (due to Easter and JEF Norway's Congress). An earlier FC date means an earlier deadline for Candidate Sections' applications & PC resolutions that must be sent in advance.</p>	
<p>8. Federalist Academy</p> <p>Look at the updated agenda of the Prague meeting. News on speakers and updates on the organisation of the week in Prague.</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finalising the programme in next few days. Call to be open soon to avoid high transport prices and allow participants to prepare in advance.
<p>9. European Benches</p> <p>As we already discussed in June, the successful project launched by JEF Italy could be exported on the European level. News on a bench to be inaugurated in Brussels.</p>	<p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Set up a website page with trademarks of JEF sections - Need to set up a European group (with Flavia as main contact person) to connect sections doing benches
<p>10. Ukraine</p> <p>Pen pal scheme to connect Ukrainians from JEF Ukraine and other organisations with JEFers messages exchange + online meetings, maybe with National Youth Council of Ukraine?</p> <p>Discussion to hire a Ukrainian intern through the solidarity corps to work maybe on Europe what if?</p> <p>Trip to Ukraine of Antonio confirmed</p> <p>Maybe a European bench in Kiyv?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Juuso to draft the call for the pen pal scheme
<p>11. AOB</p> <p>a. EYE Santander</p> <p>b. Levelup</p> <p>JEF Spain didn't get funding, JEF UK delegation was almost integrated to JEF Europe's</p> <p>Christelle is trying to get additional spots for JEF Spain</p> <p>c. Relay</p> <p>-</p>	<p>a. EYE Santander</p> <p>Decision: Fund one EB member will go to Spain to help JEF Spain</p> <p>b. LevelUP!</p> <p>Decision: -</p> <p>c. Relay</p> <p>Decision: Flavia will represent JEF at the</p>

d. EB/FC december meeting
Thursday 8 money fundraising dinner?

e. EB Members Travelling scheme
The operational grant foresees travel reimbursement caps by number of kilometres

f. Tanzania
Juuso has booked his travel to attend the YouLead Africa Summit in Arusha, Tanzania on 12 - 16 December. The event brings together youth leaders from across Africa to discuss issues of international cooperation and integration within Africa. Juuso is mobilising other young Europeans to join a European delegation to the Summit, which will also organise a workshop during the event. He is seeking funds for the group.

Judit found a funding opportunity for future cooperation with African organisations.

g. The New Federalist (TNF)

upcoming talk in Brussels.

d. EB/FC december meeting
Decision: Helena to send a doodle poll for EB & FC members for 1st and 2nd weekend of December

e. EB Members Travelling scheme
Decision: EB to cross-check the table when booking funded trips

f. Tanzania
Decision: Juuso to discuss with Secretariat about publishing a fundraising page on the JEF website, to be distributed to audiences such as World Federalist Movement membership in cooperation with WFM.

g. The New Federalist
Decision: Juuso to send an invitation to TNF for a separate EB-TNF meeting to present JEF's political priorities.

The EB meeting closes at 22:44 pm CEST.