

PROPOSAL FOR A RESOLUTION [2.2] OF THE UEF FEDERAL COMMITTEE “TOWARDS A STRONG COMMON POLICY ON SUSTAINABLE EUROPE”

Submitted by Group Europe

1 On 25 September 2015 at the UN Sustainable Development Summit, the United Nations adopted
2 a Resolution entitled “Transforming our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Developments”.
3 As a non-legally binding text, it is a global plan for action for people, planet and prosperity- a plan
4 “grounded” on international human rights commitments, under the pledge to “leave no one
5 behind”, which is the core element of the whole process.

6 In more concrete terms, the 2030 Agenda has the potential to be transformative and set out
7 universal, ambitious, comprehensive, indivisible and 17 interlined goals (including 169 target
8 actions), aimed at eradicating poverty, fighting growing inequalities and discrimination,
9 promoting democracy, prosperity, sustainability, environmental responsibility, social inclusion,
10 solidarity, gender equality, good governance and respect of the rule of law ensuring social,
11 territorial cohesion and straitening peace and security. These are interrelated challenges
12 demanding a holistic implementation approach, involving public and private funding and the
13 strong participation of social partners and civil society.

14 Unlike the Millennium Development Goals, the 2030 Agenda set universal, crosscutting and
15 interconnected goals for the EU and its Member States, which can have European, national,
16 regional, local and international implications. In particular, the 2030 Agenda is closely linked to
17 European values and interests and reflects the current provisions of the Treaties, as well as the
18 obligations of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights. It represents a significant innovation with
19 the potential to further develop a new global sustainable order, based on multilateralism and
20 international cooperation. In particular, in the EU internally, the 2030 Agenda surpasses the
21 current limitations of the Treaties between EU internal and external competence in certain policy
22 areas and could be seen as a right framework for developing an ambitious EU vision for healthier,
23 more inclusive and sustainable societies in a resilient world.

24 In this context, the Commission presented in 2016 a Communication announcing the
25 methodology to be followed for “the next steps for a sustainable Europe Future” [COM(2016)739]
26 and established a multi-stakeholder platform promoting structured dialogue and contribution by
27 civil society.

28 In January 2019, the Commission published a long reflection paper entitled “towards a
29 sustainable Europe by 2030” which will be presented at a conference on 8 April 2019 and will be
30 the subject of Council conclusions and deeper reflection at the Sibiu Summit on 9 May 2019.

31 In March 2019, the EP adopted a Resolution on the same topic, inviting the Commission to
32 develop a strong implementation Strategy.

33 In this context, keeping in mind previous UEF discussions (within PC4 –in Madrid in 2016) and in
34 view of the May 2019 European Elections,

35 the UEF:

36 Stresses the need for strong EU leadership at the UN Level starting at the July 2019 High-level
 37 Political Forum meeting as well as at the September 2019 Head of State and Government Summit.

38 Expresses clearly its support for an overreaching EU strategic policy on the 2030 Agenda, aimed
 39 at guiding the actions of the EU and its Member States (scenario 1 of the Commission Reflection
 40 paper).

41 Considers that EU candidate countries should be included in the whole process.

42 Invites the Commission to develop an integrated and holistic implementation Strategy in close
 43 cooperation with the UN, EUMS, all EU institutions and bodies, reflecting an in-depth gap analysis
 44 of existing policies, establishing precise accountability and monitoring mechanisms, supporting
 45 actions to achieve a level playing field and establishing detailed roadmaps. This strategy is more
 46 than necessary as big differences persist among EUMs towards achieving the 2030 Agenda goals.

47 Invites the new European Parliament to work closely with the Council and the Commission towards
 48 an Inter-institutional Agreement for a Sustainable Europe by 2030 and setting up an Annual
 49 European Forum on the 2030 Agenda.

50 During the 2019 European Parliament elections campaign

51 Invite candidates and political parties to take positions on the 2030 Agenda.

52 Call all UEF sections de organise internal debates on the implementation of the 2030 agenda and
 53 share experience and best practices at the national, regional and local levels.

54 Suggest forming an ad hoc expert group under the hospices of the UEF President, aimed at
 55 providing a report for the next FC meeting in Rome, focused on the federalist perspective for the
 56 implementation of 2030 Agenda.

AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSAL FOR A RESOLUTION 2.2

Amendment n.	1	<i>submitted by UEF France</i>	
Line number(s):	Line 11		
Original text		Amended text	
and straitening peace and security.		and straightening peace and security.	
Explanatory statement (optional):	there's probably a typo.		

Amendment n.	2	<i>submitted by UEF France</i>	
Line number(s):	Line 29		

Original text		Amended text
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Explanatory statement (optional):	At the date of the FC, the conference of 8 April will be over, so it’s probably better not to mention it. Generally speaking, in order to have adequate resolutions in the long term, it is better not to mention dates.	

Amendment n.	3	<i>submitted by UEF France</i>
Line number(s):	Line 52	
Original text		Amended text
Call all UEF sections de organise internal debates		Call all UEF sections to organise internal debates
Explanatory statement (optional):	there's a typo.	

Amendment n.	4	<i>submitted by UEF France</i>
Line number(s):	Lines 54 - 56	
Original text		Amended text
Suggest forming an ad hoc expert group under the hospices of the UEF President, aimed at 55 providing a report for the next FC meeting in Rome, focused on the federalist perspective for the 56 implementation of 2030 Agenda.		Suggest UEF PC2 to work on a federalist analysis of 2030 Agenda, involving outputs of external experts if necessary, to be presented at the next FC meeting.
Explanatory statement (optional):	Instead of creating additional bodies, it seems more relevant to use a UEF body involving external experts if necessary.	