

FEDERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

SATURDAY, 9 JULY 2022, 9:00 - 18:30 & SUNDAY, 10 JULY 2022, 9:00 - 12:00

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DRAFT AGENDA (updated: 21 June 2022)

Saturday, 9 July 2022, 9:00 – 18:30

**Venue: Vertretung des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen bei der Europäischen Union
Rue Montoyer / Montoyerstraat 47, B-1000 Bruxelles**

8:30 *Arrival of participants & registrations*

9:00 **OPENING OF THE FEDERAL COMMITTEE**

FORMALITIES

- Election of the Tellers
- Election of a Credentials Committee
- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of the Minutes of the Federal Committee Meeting on 12 February 2022

9:15 **POLITICAL INTRODUCTION**

- **SANDRO GOZI**, President of the Union of European Federalists

Followed by Q&A

9:45 **AFTER THE CONFERENCE ON THE FUTURE OF EUROPE: THE WORK CONTINUES!**

On 9 May 2022, the Final Report with 49 Recommendations was handed over to the Presidents of the European Institutions. After the CoFoE, the work continues. A process of Treaty change is necessary to realize the long-awaited reforms of the EU institutional architecture formulated by the CoFoE-Working Group on European Democracy.

UEF and its cooperation partners in the Working Group succeeded in pushing for ambitious recommendations on the overcoming of unanimity, the attribution of a right of initiative to the European Parliament, the possibility to directly vote European political parties and movements at the European elections, of improved rights of inquiry, and the strengthening of its budgetary powers. To bring citizens closer to the institutions, we advanced far-reaching proposals to strengthen existing participatory mechanisms and to create new ones, drawing inspiration from the CoFoE citizens' panels. A consistent part of the final proposals was devoted to a renewed emphasis on the principle of subsidiarity, the creation of a web of EU Councillors at the local level, and of a "Green Card" to grant national Parliaments the competence to suggest legislative initiatives to the European level.

Now it is time to deliver! What are the next concrete steps and what is the specific contribution that the UEF can make together with its sections?

We would like to discuss all this with representatives from politics and the sections.

10:45 *Coffee Break*

11:15 **DEBATE**

12:15	ACTIVITY REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ ANNA ECHTERHOFF, Secretary General of the Union of European Federalists <p><i>Followed by Q&A</i></p> <p><i>Decision Point: Approval of the Activity Report</i></p>
13:00	Lunch Break
14:00	REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL SITUATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ DOMINIQUE OSTYN, Treasurer of the Union of European Federalists REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF AUDITORS <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ CHRISOPIGHI BRAILA and ROLAND HÜHN, Internal Auditors of the Union of European Federalists <p><i>Followed by Q&A</i></p> <p><i>Decision Point: Approval of the Accounts 2021</i></p>
14:45	MEETING OF THE POLITICAL COMMISSIONS – Part I <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Political Commission 1: Institutional Affairs (CoFoE, Democracy) Chair: Julian Plottka; Rapporteur: Giulia Rossolillo▪ Political Commission 2: Rule of Law, Values & European Cohesion Chair: Léonie Martin; Rapporteur: Eszter Nagy▪ Political Commission 3: Foreign Affairs & Security Chair: Carlo Maria Palermo; Deputy Chair: Prof. Dimitrios Triantaphyllou; Rapporteurs: Wolfgang Wettach and Laura Tatarelyte▪ Political Commission 4: Economic, Fiscal Policies & Social Policies Chair: Luca Lionello; Rapporteurs: Domènec Ruiz Devesa and Markus Ferber▪ Political Commission 5: Digitalisation, Climate & Biodiversity Chair: Eva Lichtenberger; Rapporteurs: Birgit Wille and Ophélie Omnes
16:00	Coffee Break
16:30	MEETING OF THE POLITICAL COMMISSIONS – Part II
17:30	REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES BY JEF AND WFM
18:30	END OF THE MEETING <p><i>Meeting of the Resolution Committee</i></p>
20:30	<i>Common Dinner (tbc)</i>

Sunday, 10 July 2022, 9:00 – 12:00

**Venue: House of European History
Rue Belliard / Belliardstraat 135, B-1000 Bruxelles**

8:30	<i>Arrival of the participants</i>
9:00	OPENING
9:15	REPORTS FROM NATIONAL SECTIONS ON THEIR ACTIVITIES
10:30	REPORT FROM THE PC-MEETINGS & PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ PC Chairs
11:45	CLOSING REMARKS <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ SANDRO GOZI, President of the Union of European Federalists
12:00	<i>End of the Federal Committee Meeting</i>
afterwards	JOINT VISIT OF THE HOUSE OF EUROPEAN HISTORY

We sincerely thank the Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union and the House of European History for making their venues available for the Federal Committee of UEF!