

# Minutes of FYEG GA 2016

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# THURSDAY, MAY 26

## 10:30-11:45 Welcome!

- Welcome by FYEG Spokespersons Teo Comet and Laura Carlier
- Welcome by the host organisation Stacy Molozina
- Practical information provided by local prep team
- Confirmation of the Presidency by the GA

Laura explains the procedure of Presidency selection, and asks the GA to confirm the proposed Presidency with a vote:

Michael Bloss, Germany/Belgium

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**The GA unanimously confirms the presidency.**

- Appointing the Voting committee

Aleksandra introduces the Voting Committee, which assists the Presidency, helping with counting votes. Presidency proposes 4 volunteers, not being candidates nor delegates, respecting gender balance.

Christof Schauwecker - Swiss young greens

Miene Waziri - German Young Greens

Anton Jeakel - German Young greens

Esther Ingabire - EcoloJ

**GA unanimously confirms the Voting committee.**

- Adoption of the agenda

Micha presents the agenda of the GA and explains procedure needed to change it. Once adopted, the agenda needs 2/3 majority to be changed.

The Greens of Turkey move to amend the agenda adding 15 minutes to talk about Israel-Palestine process, conducted in previous 2015/2016 biennium.

EC objects.

Young Greens of Turkey still want to include it in agenda as procedural issue, not topical.

Proposal for vote - include it in session with amendments presentation.

GA votes: Yes - 17 ; No - 16 ; Abstentions - 6

**Proposal passed with simple majority.**

Presidency puts agenda for adoption.

**GA unanimously confirms the agenda.**

- Announcements of the Presidency

Micha informs the GA about Presidency proposal for transfer of the votes. In accordance with IRPs Presidency proposes that its possible only under condition that:

1. MO has already registered for GA
2. Votes can be transferred only to registered delegates and only to 2nd delegate of other registered MO
3. MO can request transfer of vote, presidency will facilitate procedure, voting cards will be given to proxy, whereas leaving MO will fill in election ballots in advance and give them to presidency in sealed envelope
4. Deadline to request transfer of votes towards the end of GA Thursday.

Presidency further inform the GA about Gender balance monitoring for speakers list and general participation. Tornike Kusiani and Morgan Henley from outgoing EC are presented as Awareness officers to delegates, according to their mandate in EC, as explained in IRP.

- Election and voting procedure explanation

Vesna explains voting and elections procedures and regulated majorities according to IRPs. Stress on voting cards as they are numbered and issued according to registration numbers. No additional voting cards nor replacement of lost voting cards possible.

Q: Is speaking right open to observers?

Vesna: Yes, FYEG GAs have open participation rule, as long as participants are registered. However in amendments discussions delegates are prioritised.

Q: Are votes given to presidency by leaving registered MO open?

Vesna: No, we give them ballots, they vote and give us ballots in sealed envelope. Presidency has no voting right in any aspect of the GA, only registered delegates.

- Explanation of sign communication

Aleksandra and Micha explain hand signs and communication.

## 11:45-13:00 Presentation of Reports

- EC report - presented by Johannes (EC)
- Activity report - presented by Marie (EC)
- Secretary General report

Presented by Markus Drake for his interim mandate.

Q (Flemish Young Greens) on Shenna leaving the office early in her term.

A (Laura, EC) offers explanation of Shenna's early resignation. Resignation has been sent via MO list in January, needs to be ratified by simple majority of GA.

GA Votes: Yes - 25

**Resignation is ratified.**

- Financial report - presented by Tornike (treasurer)
- FCC report

EC proposal: Steva who was supposed to present the report coming on Saturday. EC proposed change in the agenda to move FCC report to Sat, May 28, at 9:30-10:45-Session.

No speech against.

GA votes: Yes - 38 ; No - 0 ; Abstention - 3

**Motion to change agenda passed** ( $\frac{2}{3}$  majority needed)

- Webmaster - presented by Christoph Semken
- Ecosprinter - presented by Belinda Torres Leclercq
- Advisory Committee - presented by Kristian Normand
- SPP WG report - presented by Evangelos Astyrakakis

Teo (EC) gave additional information that the 8th EC member slowed down her participation in EC because of professional reasons. The decision being close to this GA, EC agreed not to act upon it.

## 14:30-15:00 GA Formalities

- Establishing quorum

Presidency does a roll call - every MO to stand and show their voting cards in order to check the quorum and visualise delegates to GA.

Registered and present MOs: 25

Absent Member Organisations: 3 (with MODOM 4)

**The quorum is reached, GA valid.**

Current majorities:

Absolute Majority: **26 votes**

$\frac{2}{3}$  Majority: **34 votes**

- Report on membership status by EC

Laura (EC) reports on 4 MOs not fulfilling the membership requirements stated in IRPs and not paying the MO fee for 3 years in a row, despite the efforts from EC to come up with a solution. Thus according to the IRP vote needs to be casted on their expulsion from FYEG.

4 organizations in question: Austrian Young Greens: Plattform Grünalternativer Jugendorganisationen; Italian Young Greens: Giovani Verdi; Irish Young Greens: Oige Ghlas, Young Greens; and Slovakian Young Greens: Mladi Zeleni.

Q: Is it a difficult barrier to re-join?

A (EC): The same procedure for re-entry as for any candidate MO

Point of information from Austrian YG: AYG 2 do not exist anymore, merely on paper

Q: What's the Irish Situation

A (EC): National level politics are not relevant but our own IRP (according to which they cannot be a full member anymore)

Vote on membership status regarding those 4 organizations (absolute majority to confirm expulsion):

Austria: Y: 42 ; N:0 ; A: 3 - **expelled**

Italy: Y: 26 ; N: 2 ; A: 20 - **expelled**

Ireland: Y: 24 ; N: 9 ; A: 15 - **stay MO**, new EC mandated to resolve IRP issue

Slovakia: Y: 34 ; N: 2 ; A: 12 - **expelled**

- Adoption of minutes from the previous GA (simple majority)

**Minutes are adopted** with 2 abstentions

- Adoption of the deadline for amendments to emergency resolutions

No emergency resolutions were handed in – thus no amendment deadlines

- Adoption of the deadline for amendments to resolutions and plans (simple majority)

Presidency proposal: Friday 18:00/6pm

**Adopted** with little abstentions

## 15:15-17:00 Presentation of candidates

- Presentation of the candidates for Executive Committee

Candidate for a Treasurer: Jean-Michel Muhire – Skype didn't work, will present himself later

Johannes Butscher – withdrew application

EC Candidates present themselves in alphabetic order (2.5 min each)

Adrià Belenguer – Catalan Young Greens, Barcelona,

Paula Espinoza – Red Equo Joven, from Valencia

Maria Kola – Cyprus Young Greens

Sam Murray – Young Greens of England and Wales

Fabian Wagner – German Young Greens, FYEG WG



1st round of questions (to everyone):

Swedish Young Greens: How experienced are you with the finances?

Austrian Young Greens: How do you prioritise in activity plan?

French Young Greens: One most important issue for you?

EC candidates answer.

2nd round of questions:

Czech Young Greens: How would you rate yourself on 0 to 10 radicality scale – 0 being “system is fine, but it needs a bit of change”, to 10 being “I have everything for revolution in my basement, we start tomorrow”?

Bulgarian Young Greens: Summarise your FYEG experience, activities?

EC candidates answer.

Candidates for spokespersons present themselves in alphabetic order (4 min each)

(Male) Teo Comet - Finish Young Greens

(Female) Marie Pochon - Les Jeunes Ecologistes

Questions to spokesperson candidates:

Austrian Young Greens: Most important project?

Young Greens of England and Wales: How would you stop BREXIT?

Catalan Young Greens: WGs – how do you want to improve them?

Question on Discussion on Future of Europe?

Turkish Young Greens: Olive Branch process why no resolution, why no plans?

Spokesperson candidates answer.

- Presentation of the candidates for Secretary General

Candidates for SecGen present themselves in alphabetical order (3+1 min each)

Tomáš Křemen - Czech Young Greens

Artur Wieczorek – Polish Young Greens

Laura (EC) presents the report by the SecGen Assessment Team. Conclusion: both candidates recommended, they have different strengths.

Questions to SecGen candidates:

German Young Greens: How do you see structure of FYEG office?

French Young Greens: Which audits you want to conduct?

Czech Young Greens: What projects you're most proud of?

SecGen candidates answer.

- Presentation of the candidates for Ecosprinter Editorial Board

Candidates for EEB present themselves in alphabetical order (2 min each). In case of absence they are presented either via video or by delegated representative.

Johannes Butscher (frontal presentation)

Morgan Henley (frontal presentation)

Jakob Hundsbichler – presented by Kay-Michael Dankl (Austrian Young Greens)

Paula Keller - will present herself on Saturday morning

Simo Raittila (video)

Rosalie Salaün - presented by Gabriel Amieux (French Young Greens)

Kate Samuels (frontal presentation)

Questions to EEB candidates:

How to balance MOs input

Paper editions?

Communication/Outreach of the articles?

Present EEB candidates answer.

Vesna (Presidency): People presenting people is emergency as many candidates did not manage to come. We will not allow questions there as it makes no sense.

- Presentation of the candidates for Global Young Greens Steering Committee

Candidates for GYG Steering Committee present themselves in alphabetical order (2 min each). In case of absence they are presented either via video or by delegated representative.

Paul Cohen - presented by Evangelos Astyrakakis (Greek Young Greens)

Lara Render - will present herself on Saturday

Cedric Jürgensen (video)

- Presentation of the candidates for Financial Control Committee

Miléna Cazin – presented by Krassina Demireva (Bulgarian Young Greens)

- Presentation of the candidate Member Organisations

- Application for full membership: MODOM (Macedonia) - presented by Milan Nikolovski (3 min.)

Cengiz presents EC recommendation on their candidacy.

Questions:

Turkish Young Greens: When I (Onur) was in EC there was some concerns on autonomy of the mother party and if MODOM openly said something positively about abortion and LGBTIQ rights?

Catalonian Young Greens: Can u classify MODOM on left/right wing scale of the politics?

Czech Young Greens: What are the main struggles?

Milan answers.

- Application for candidate membership: Joves Amb Iniciativa (Valencia) - presented by Enric Juan (3 min.)

Marie presents EC recommendation on their candidacy.

*The General Assembly is suspended.*

## FRIDAY, MAY 27

### 13:45-14:00 Welcome to the GA Day 2!

- Presidency Announcements: Change in the Agenda (simple  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority)

Paul explains the proposal from presidency to change the agenda: instead of 3rd round of speed-up workshops (Spring Conference) to have additional session on presentation of amendments to IRPs.

GA votes: Yes - 32 ; NO: 4

**Change to agenda was adopted** ( $\frac{2}{3}$  majority achieved).

- Delegate's greeting by Czech Green Party Party Chairman, Matěj Stropnický.

Laura from EC announcing the Party Chairman Matěj Stropnický.

Matěj holding his speech.

### 14:00-15:30 Presentation of SPM Follow-up, resolutions and amendments

- Israel-Palestine Process within FYEG

Paul presents proposed procedure, which has been agreed upon by EC and YG of Turkey::

5 Min Young Greens of Turkey (Onur) give explanation

Up to 5 mins response time EC (Laura)

Appx. 5 Min. consultation (if needed)

Young Greens of Turkey (Onur) present their position on the current Israel - Palestine Process within FYEG and raise a question of reaching a conclusion and formulating resolution.

Laura (EC) offers explanation and overview of what has been done until now. MOs need to agree on the new approach to ensure progress (opportunity on Sunday during "MO worldcafe").

Comments from the audience:

Q (Czech Young Greens): Why do we need this at all? Isn't it obvious that we do not want to support a regime suppressing the Palestinians?

A (Turkish Young Greens): It is clear what we need. We need to write a resolution, more than 4 years of discussions doesn't lead anywhere.

Cyprus YG: Than we need to also address the issue of Turkey holding Cyprus.

DWARS: The process is very important, and we are very interested to talk with delegates on Sunday about it.

England & Wales YG: To me it's not clear what was happening in the last 4 years.

- Presentations of reports from Strategic Planning Meeting Follow-up Groups

Laura (EC) introduces the process and background of SPM (February 2016, Brussels). Event was planned as an MO exchange on political and strategic goals. MOs were involved before SPM (survey evaluation), during SPM (three main scopes: Activity, Political and Organizational Development), and afterwards in Follow up groups. Thanks for the help to SPP WG who was involved in the process all the time.

Reports from follow-up-groups (5 min each)

Political Follow Up Group - presented by Laura (EC)

Structural Follow Up Group - presented by Teo (EC), Frank (DWARS), Artur (Polish YG), Anton (German YG) and Wanja (Swedish YG)

Activity Follow Up Group - presented by Cengiz (EC)

Debate & feedback from the audience:

England & Wales YG: What exactly you mean by inclusion?

Teo (EC) explains.

DWARS: Thank you for organizing this SPM. It was great for us to involve many of our members in FYEG. I encourage to continue this practice.

French YG: There is a zero tolerance on alcohol and we are not for this proposition. We would like to keep other ways to regulate this problem. Forbidding can't be good for freedom.

Czech YG: I want to support French YG.

Cengiz (EC): Even if there are many disagreements during the Strategic Planning, there were still some points we found consensus on. Even if we had some points on which there were a lot of opposed opinions, at least we had enough time to discuss them.

- Presentation of suggested resolutions

Kristian announces the presentation of resolutions, stressing this is a presentation and only clarifying questions will be accepted. Delegates are reminded that the deadline to submit amendments to motions, resolutions, plans, budget is tonight at 18h.

Res 1 (Migration, submitted by EC): Is there a form of life in Europe? - Teo presents (5 minutes)

No debate.

Res 2 (Climate, submitted by EC): Hot air or climate justice? The COP21 - Johannes presents (5 minutes)

No debate.

Res 3 (Democracy, submitted by EC): Poland, Hungary, Slovakia: European Comeback Wanted - Laura presents (5 minutes)

Portugal YG: What do you mean “Europeanization of political debate” and “Federalization of political parties”.

Laura clarifies.

Artur (Polish Young Greens): Diffusion of European media?

Laura clarifies.

Res 4 (Basic income, submitted by Finnish YG): Policy and action on Basic Income - Kati presents

Catalonia YG: We were discussing this in our organization - and what exactly you mean: for everyone or unemployed?

Kati clarifies.

Johannes: In the first line you talk about: revolution in technology will happen soon and the understanding of work will change. Is that what you are referring to in your first sentence?

Kati clarifies.

- Presentation of amendments to IRPs and Political Platform<sup>1</sup>

#### Amendment to Political Platform

- Amendment by Scottish YG (line 147)

Kate (Scottish YG) presents (5 minutes)

Q: Is country/region meaning “either” or “and”?

Kate (Scottish YG) answers.

#### Amendments to IRPs

Kristian explains how presidency grouped the amendments in blocks, and division of times:

- 7 minutes for Election committee, WGs from the Polish and Austrian YG, Financial improvements and Voting procedure

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<sup>1</sup> Text of the amendments to the IRPs and Political Platform with corresponding lines can be found in Annex

- 5 minutes for Strategic Planning Committee, WGs from the Austrians and EC on MO suspension
- 3 minutes for the rest.

- Block of amendments by Swedish Young Greens on Electoral committee (lines 134, 389, 457, 458-459, 739-743)

Swedish Young Greens introduce the block of amendments.

Kristian: One of the amendments (that mandates EC to adjust deadlines to fit the Electoral Committee) is not a proper amendment, but will be voted as a motion if the other amendments pass.

DWARS: What does the wording means “gathers applications”

- Block of amendments by Polish Young Greens on Working Groups mandate (various lines)

Polish YG introduce the block of amendments.

- Amendments of Austrian YG on Working groups (324, 337, 341)

Austrian YG introduce the block of amendments.

Bulgarian YG: What lines are we exactly talking about?

Kristian clarifies.

England & Wales: Can only people from MOs be in WGs?

Austrian YG clarifies.

*The General Assembly is suspended.*

## 17:00 - 17:45 Continuation of the amendment session

- Presidency announcements



With Portugal Young Greens who have registered the last, GA now counts 26 registered MOs (maximum votes 52). Majorities are as follows:

Absolute majority: **27 votes**

$\frac{2}{3}$  absolute majority: **35 votes**

Laura (EC): Those who have technical problems, but want to submit amendments can use a computer in the office on the ground floor.

- Presentation of amendments to IRPs
  - Block of amendments by EC on the Financial changes (lines 231, 233, 274, 275, 286, 289, 290, 544, 545, 551-552)

Teo (EC) introduce the block of amendments.

England and Wales YG: It is written that FCC have to be people who have to be financially independent of FYEG - does that mean no reimbursements?

Teo explains.

- Amendment on voting procedure by DWARS (lines 423-438)

DWARS introduce the amendment.

- Amendment on The Strategic Planning Committee by EC and SPP WG (lines 132, 183, 309)

SPP WG introduces the block of amendments.

Catalonia YG: Why is this different than WG?

SPP WG (Evangelos) explains.

Catalonia: Is it not EC who makes political priorities or the FYEG?

SPP WG (Evangelos) explains.

- Amendments on the expulsion of the MOs by EC (lines 54/1, 54/2, 74-76)

Johannes (EC) introduces the block of amendments.

- Amendment on the number of EC members by EC (line 219, 225, 243)

Teo (EC) introduces the block of amendments.

Swedish YG: How would this affect budget?

Teo explains.

England & Wales: Does that mean extra member this year or...?

Teo explains.

- Amendment on the number of the EC members by Austrian YG (lines 219-243)

Austrian YG introduce the amendment.

- Amendment on the study visit to organizations applying for MOs by EC (line 59)

Johannes (EC) introduce the amendment.

- Amendment on duration of the EC mandate by Austrian YG (line 220)

Austrian YG introduce the amendment.

- Amendment on Secretary General by Austrian YG (lines 260, 115)

Austrian YG introduce the amendment.

- Amendments on editor-in-chief in Ecosprinter by EC (lines 368, 371)

Cengiz (EC) introduces the block of amendments.

- Amendment on the line 369 by EC

Cengiz (EC) introduces the amendment.

- Amendment on the working groups by EC (line 346)

Laura (EC) introduces the amendment.

- Amendment on vegan food by Food WG (line 645)

Food WG introduce the amendment.

England & Wales YG: Have the allergies been reconsidered with reimbursements - like I need to eat meat, no other options?

- Amendment on alcohol policy by Swedish YG (line 803)

Swedish YG introduce the amendment.

Ecoloj: What would be the sanctions?

Swedish YG answer.

Austrian YG: What do you define as drugs?

Swedish YG answer.

DWARS: What about medical use?

Swedish YG answer.

Maltese Young Greens: Very important to define what are drugs.

England & Wales: What counts as scheduled times (e.g. lunch and dinner)?

Swedish YG answer.

*The General Assembly is suspended.*

## 21:00-23:00 Compromise amendment session on resolutions<sup>2</sup>

Vesna introduces the procedure proposed by the Presidency.

Clarification: There will be no voting on content, no debates, just clarification, amendments supported by the ones who submitted resolution will be proposed for automatic vote/adoption on voting session.

Res 1 (Migration, submitted by EC): Is there a form of life in Europe? (Laura speaks for the EC)

- RES-1-1(2) (Author(s): *DWARS et al.*) - discussion and vote
- RES-1-1(1) (Author(s): *DWARS et al.*) - discussion and vote
- RES-1-12 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- RES-1-23 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- RES-1-28, 42, 44, 48, 49, 62, 63, 67 (Author(s): *écolo j et al.*) - discussion and vote
- RES-1-47 ff. (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- RES-1-after l. 56 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted

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<sup>2</sup> Text of the amendments on resolutions with corresponding lines can be found in the Annex

DWARS: The procedure is a bit too fast

Vesna – sums up

Res 2 (Climate, submitted by EC): Hot air or climate justice? The COP21 (Johannes speaks for the EC)

- RES-2-3 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- RES-2-5 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- RES-2-14 (Author(s): *Les Jeunes Ecologistes*) - debate and vote
- RES-2-30 (Author(s): *Paula Espinosa and Milan Nikolovski, Migration WG*) - compromise

Vesna: compromise amendments need to be submitted with the amendment tool

- RES-2-31-34 (Author(s): *écolo j*) - compromise
- RES-2-37-38 (Author(s): *DWARS et al.*) - adopted
- RES-2-51 (Author(s): *Les Jeunes Ecologistes*) - compromise
- RES-2-52 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - as above
- RES-2-53 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*)

Vesna – it's a set to compromise, see line 63

- RES-2-54 (Author(s): *EcoloJ*) - about the same part
- RES-2-55 (Author(s): *EcoloJ & Jong Groen*) - about the same part
- RES-2-57 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- RES-2-63 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - part of the same compromise

Res 3 (Democracy, submitted by EC): Poland, Hungary, Slovakia: European Comeback Wanted (Laura speaks for the EC)

- RES-3-7 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - compromise
- RES-3-19-21(1) (Author(s): *Ostra Zielen*) - adopted
- RES-3-26-27 (Author(s): *DWARS et al.*) - adopted
- RES-3-28 (Author(s): *Ostra Zielen*) - compromise
- RES-3-35 (Author(s): *Ostra Zielen*) - adopted
- RES-3-36 (Author(s): *Ostra Zielen*) - adopted
- RES-3-36-37 (Author(s): *Ostra Zielen*) - adopted

- RES-3-47 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- RES-3-49 (Author(s): *Mladi Zeleni et al.*) - debate, voting
- RES-3-51 (Author(s): *Ostra Zielen*) - adopted
- RES-3-56 (Author(s): *Mladi Zeleni et al.*) - debate and vote

Res 4 (Basic income, submitted by Finnish Young Greens): Policy and action on Basic Income

Laura EC, Finish Young Greens

- RES-4-9 (Author(s): *Johannes - EC*)- adopted

Correction to the amendment tool: actually a line 7

- RES-4-9(2) (Author(s): *FYEG EC*) - compromise
- RES-4-10 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - compromise
- RES-4-12 & 13 (Author(s): *FYEG EC*) - adopted
- RES-4-24 (Author(s): *EcoloJ & Jong Groen*) - compromise
- RES-4-32 & 33 (Author(s): *FYEG EC*) - adopted
- RES-4-35 (Author(s): *EcoloJ & Jong Groen*) - debate and vote
- RES-4-37 (Author(s): *FYEG EC*) - adopted
- RES-4-46 (Author(s): *Sam Murray – Young Greens of England and Wales*) - debate and vote
- RES-4-46-52 (Author(s): *FYEG EC*) - debate and vote
- RES-4-58-1 (Author(s): *EcoloJ & Jong Groen*) - adopted

Activity Plan 2016/2017

- Plans-1-123 (Author(s): *Genç Ye iller*) - adopted
- Plans-1-134 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - adopted
- Plans-1-134(1) (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- Plans-1-138 (Author(s): *Les Jeunes Ecologistes*) - debate and vote
- Plans-1-146-147 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - debate and vote
- Plans-1-153 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- Plans-1-156 (Author(s): *Genç Ye iller*) - debate and vote
- Plans-1-183 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- Plans-1-199 f. (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - debate and vote

- Plans-1-202 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- Plans-1-207-209 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- Plans-1-217 (Author(s): *Les Jeunes Ecologistes*) - debate and vote
- Plans-1-241 (Author(s): *Junge Grüne*) - adopted
- Plans-1-257 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - compromise
- Plans-1-264 (Author(s): *GRUENE JUGEND*) - compromise

## SATURDAY, MAY 28

### 9:30-10:00 Welcome to the GA Day 3!

- Presidency announcements

Proposal to change the agenda and approve Jean-Michel (candidate for a treasurer) presentation to be held at 11h (upon his arrival).

Indicative vote by the GA - 2/3 majority needed.

**Change to the agenda adopted.**

Vesna: Reminder that compromise amendments need to be submitted before 11:00.

- Presentations of candidates

Anastasia (candidate for EC): had visa issues on the border that prevented her from coming, presented by video

Paula Keller (candidate for EEB) - frontal presentation

Lara Render (candidate for GYG Steering Committee) - frontal presentation

Questions for Lara:

Young Greens of England and Wales: How will you establish relationship with local MO, how will you prepare for the congress in Liverpool?

French Young Greens – How do you see the role of GYG?

Lara answers.

## 10:00-10:45 FCC report, Activity and Financial plan presentation

- Presentation of a candidate for a treasurer Jean-Michel to be postponed for later upon his arrival
- Financial Control Committee Report - presented by Stevan Petrović (3 min)

Swedish YG: What does EC has to say why bookkeeping was not done in 2015?

Teo answers. Stevan offers further clarification.

- Activity Plan

Presentation on political framework of activity plan and specific activities done by Cengiz Kulac from outgoing EC.

Note from Presidency: Some compromises on Activity plan have been made, yesterday on the amendment session. Available in the amendment tool and will be part of discussion and vote later on.

- Budget (2016)

Presented by Tornike Kusiani, EC treasurer

- Financial plan (2017)

Presented by Tornike Kusiani, EC Treasurer

Polish YG: 1. substances on employes 2. why do we need software if we have external accountant?

Tornike answers.

German YG: Do we have budget for fair trade meetings and working in that area?

Teo answers.

Joves amb Iniciativa: In budget there is campaign training but not in activity plan?

Tornike answers.

Announcements: Amendment tool is available with all compromises, so people should check it. Local prep team announce Lost and Found section.

## 11:00-13:00 Documents/Amendments discussion session

- Presidency announcements

Vote to change the agenda in order to enable Jean-Michel to present himself at the end of the session (needed ⅔ majority to approve)

### **Change to the agenda adopted unanimously.**

- Discussion on resolutions and amendments to resolutions

Presidency proposes procedure:

- 45 minutes on resolutions (1,5min to present Resolution and then debate on it)
- 45 minutes on IRP and PP amendments

Res 1 (Migration, submitted by EC): Is there a form of life in Europe?

- Line 1(2): Pro speech by DWARS // Con speech by EC
- Lines 12, 23: adopted
- Line 28, 42, 44, 48, 49, 62, 63, 67: Pro speech by EcoloJ // Con speech by EC // Pro speech EcoloJ // Con speech by DWARS
- Lines 47f, 56: adopted

Entire resolution: Pro speech by EC // no Con



Res 2 (Climate, submitted by EC): Hot air or climate justice? The COP21

- Lines 3, 5: adopted
- Line 14 (1): Pro speech French YG // no CON
- Line 30 (1) (compromise): Pro speech Migration WG // Con speech by DWARS
- Lines 31-34 (compromise): no Pro // no Con speech
- Lines 37-38: adopted
- Line 51(1): Pro speech by German YG // Con speech by Norwegian YG // Pro speech by French YG
- Line 52: was part of the previous compromise
- Line 57: adopted
- Line 63 (1) (compromising lines 54-55): Pro speech by German YG

Q (DWARS): What does last sentence after hyphen mean?

German YG answer.

Q (DWARS): Do you need parliaments?

German YG answer.

Q (Turkish YG): The amendment text is contradictory as it legitimizes IOs and then wants to block them German YG answer.

Entire resolution: Pro speech by EC // no CON

Res 3 (Democracy, submitted by EC): Poland, Hungary, Slovakia: European Comeback Wanted

- Line 7(1) (compromise): adopted after compromise
- Lines 19-21, 26-27, 28(1), 36: adopted
- Lines 36-37

Q (Hungarian YG): why the change?

A (Polish YG): grammatically the sentence was wrong.

- Line 47: Con speech by Hungarian YG // Pro speech by German YG
- Line 49: Pro speech by Bulgarian and Catalan YG // Con speech by EC // Pro speech by Catalan YG // Con speech by DWARS

- Line 51: adopted
- Line 56: The same argumentation as for line 49, no debate, put to vote

Entire resolution: Pro speech by EC // Con speech by Portuguese YG // Pro speech Catalan YG // Con speech by French YG // Pro speech by DWARS // Con speech by Hungarian YG

Res 4 (Basic income, submitted by Finnish Young Greens): Policy and action on Basic Income

- Line 7: adopted
- Line 9: Pro speech by EC // INQ FIN: shall we discuss 9 and 10 together // Con speech by DWARS // Pro speech by EC
- Line 10: has been withdrawn by German YG, but DWARS want to withhold it, thus will be voted upon; Pro speech by DWARS // Con speech by Finnish YG // reply by EC
- Lines 12, 13: adopted
- Line 24 (1) (compromise): Pro speech by EcoloJ // no Con speech
- Lines 32-33: adopted
- Line 35: Pro speech by EcoloJ // Con speech by Finnish YG // Pro speech by EcoloJ // Con speech by Finnish YG // Pro speech by Scottish YG
- Line 37: adopted
- Line 46(1): withdrawn by submitter
- Lines 46-52: Pro speech by EC // no Con speech
- Line 58: adopted

Entire resolution: Pro speech Finnish YG // Con speech by Austrian YG // Pro speech by EC // Con speech by Catalan YG

- Discussion on amendments to IRPs

Block by block

- SWE and Election committee (lines 134, 389, 457, 458-459, 739-743): Pro speech by Swedish YG // Con speech by Finnish YG // Pro speech by Swedish YG

Q (YG of England and Wales): What's the probability...?

Swedish YG answer.

// Con speech by EC

- MO expulsion by EC (lines 54/1, 54/2, 74-76): Pro speech by EC // no Con speech
- Strategic Planning Committee by EC&SPP WG (lines 132, 183, 309): Pro speech by EC // no Con speech
- Financial improvements by EC (lines 231, 233, 274, 275, 286, 289, 290, 544, 545, 551-552): Pro speech by EC // no Con speech
- Working Groups by Polish YG (various lines): Con speech Bulgarian YG // Pro speech by EC
- Working Groups by Austrian YG (lines 324, 337, 341): Pro speech by Austrian YG // Con speech by EC

Inquiry (YG of England and Wales) want to vote separately

Q (Greek YG): What about applicants from non-MOs

Austrian YG answer.

- Working Groups by EC (line 346): Pro speech by EC // Con speech by Turkish YG // Pro speech by DWARS // Con speech by Bulgarian YG
- Editor in chief by EC (lines 368, 371): Pro speech by EC

Inquiry (Maltese YG) to split amendments

EC answers.

- Voting procedure by DWARS (lines 423-438): Pro speech by DWARS // Con speech by German YG // Pro speech by EC // Con speech by Turkish YG
- (conflicting) Number of EC members by EC (line 219, 225, 243): Pro speech by EC vs. Number of EC members by Austrian YG (219 - 243): Pro speech by Austrian YG // Con speech by German YG against both amendments
- Study visit to MO candidates by EC (line 59): Pro speech by EC // Con speech by Turkish YG time
- Duration of the EC mandate by Austrian YG (line 220): Pro speech by Austrian YG // Con speech by EC
- SecGen by Austrian YG (lines 260, 115): Pro speech by Austrian YG // Con speech by Ecoloj // Pro speech by EC // Con speech by DWARS // Pro speech by Austrian YG // Con speech by Turkish YG // Pro speech by Austrian YG

- Line 369 deletions by EC: no debate
- Vegan food by Food WG (line 645): Pro speech by Food WG // Con speech by EC
- Alcohol policy by Swedish YG (line 803): Pro speech by Finnish YG // Con speech by French YG
  
- Amendment to Political Platform
- Amendment by Scottish YG (line 147): Pro speech by Yg of England and Wales // Con speech by EC // Pro speech by Scottish YG
  
- Presentation of Jean Michel (candidate for a treasurer)

## 14:00-15:00 Elections for EC/SecGen

- Explanation of procedure and distribution of voting cards

Vesna explains the voting procedure (presentation). Ballots valid only if: have official FYEG Stamp, vote for maximum positions as there are, cross the box (no doodles).

Voting cards are distributed, votes are cast and electoral committee counts the votes.

Leaving EC and SecGen give their farewell speech.

During counting presentations are held presentations of:

- Green European Foundation by Ioanna Banach (programme manager) and Taru Antonen (Finish Green foundation)
- Cooperation and Development Network Eastern Europe by Julian Hauser, EC member
- Global Young Greens by Onur Findagul

- Announcements

Presidency: Activity Plan amendments need to be rescheduled for Sunday morning (needed ⅔ Majority to approve).

## **Change to the agenda adopted.**

Young Greens of Turkey will not be present. Presidency asked other MOs to get introduced with YGoT amendments and if they want to take arguments of Young Greens of Turkey on board.

Tomas Kremen announce Action of Czech Greens.

Lara from Food working group announce photo action of the working group.

- Results

Female and Male Spokesperson

(Female) [Marie Pochon](#) 44 votes for, 8 abstentions - **elected**

(Male) [Teo Comet](#) 48 votes for, 4 abstentions - **elected**

Treasurer

[Jean-Michel Muhire](#) 45 votes for, 7 abstentions - **elected**

EC members

(Female) [Maria Kola](#) - 41 for - **elected**

(Female) [Paula Espinoza](#) 39 for - **elected**

(Female) [Anastasiya Kastushkina](#) 33 for - **elected**

(Male) [Adrià Belenguer](#) elected 38 for - **elected**

(Male) [Fabian Wagner](#) elected 37 for - **elected**

(Male) [Sam Murray](#) 26 - **not elected**

Secretary General

[Artur Wiczorek](#) 37 for - **elected**

[Tomáš Křemen](#) 11 for - **not elected**

abstentions 4

Congratulations to newly elected EC and SecGen.

*The General Assembly is suspended.*

## SUNDAY, MAY 29

### 09:00-09:10 Welcome to the GA Day 4!

Presidency informs that Greek delegation left, Cyprus 2nd delegate will have their ballots.

Turkish Young Greens didn't transfer their votes, so we have two votes less in the room.

### 9:00 - 9:30 Activity plan amendments

- Discussion on amendments on Activity Plan
  - Line 123: adopted
  - Line 134: adopted
  - Line 134(1): adopted
  - Line 138: discussion and voting
  - Lines 146-147: Con speech by EC // Pro speech by German YG
  - Line 153: adopted
  - Line 156: discussion and voting
  - Line 183: adopted
  - Line 199f: No comments from GJ // Con speech by EC
  - Line 202: adopted
  - Line 207-209: adopted
  - Line 217: Pro speech by French YG // Con speech by EC

- Line 241: adopted
- Line 257 (1): compromise, adopted
- Line 264 (1): compromise, adopted

## 9:30-10:30 Member Organizations' situations

Laura (EC) explains the session. explanation of the session. Participants are invited to divide in groups of their interest and circulate tables.

Regional Tables: MO tables (South, West, North, East)

Topical tables: Climate/Energy, Refugees, Israel/Palestine, Future of Europe

## 10:30-11:15 Elections for EEB, FCC, AC, GYG Steering

### Committee and membership candidacies

- Introduction

Vesna explains agenda and voting procedure.

Ballots are divided, votes are cast and electoral committee counts the votes.

- Results of the 1st round

#### EcoSprinter Editorial Board

Johannes 36 votes – **elected**

Morgan 42 votes – **elected**

Paula 28 votes – **elected**

Kate – 26 votes - **not elected** (Gender quota applies)

Jakob -16 votes - **second round**

Simo - 12 votes - **second round**

Rosalie - 23 votes - **not elected** (gender quota applies)

*2nd round will be organised*

Financial Control Committee

Milena - 44 votes - **elected**

GYG Steering Committee

Paul - 11 votes - **not elected**

Cedric Jürgensen - 11 votes - **not elected**

Lara - 18 votes - **not elected**

*2nd round will be organised*

Member Organisations

MODOM: Yes - 40 ; No - 3 ; Abs - 3 ; **accepted as Full member of FYEG**

Joves amb. Initiative: Yes - 20 ; No - 14 ; Abs - 12 ; **not accepted as Full member of FYEG**

- Working group reports and plans

During the counting, Paula Keller presents full report from working groups and explain which ones are asking for mandate renewal from the GA.

## 11:30-13:00 Voting Session

- Announcements

Presidency reminds on majorities:

- Simple majority (to adopt amendments to resolutions, Activity and Financial Plan, Budget)
- Absolute majority: **27 votes** (to change the political platform, to adopt entire resolution, Activity and Financial Plan, Budget)
- Absolute 2/3 majority: **35 votes** (to change the IRPs)

- Resolutions



Res 1 (Migration, submitted by EC): Is there a form of life in Europe?

- Line 1 Y: maj N: 2 Abs: 4 - **carried**
- Line 28 et al Y: 11 N: 25 Abs: 12 - **not carried**

Entire Resolution: Yes: 38 ; No: 0 ; Abs: 4 - **Adopted**

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Interruption for results of the 2nd round on Ecosprinter Editorial Board and GYG Steering Committee

#### EcoSprinter

Jakob Hundsbichler - 16 votes - **not elected**

Simo Raittila - 23 votes - **not elected**

No threshold reached. *3rd round will be organised with Simo on the ballot.* Votes distributed.

#### Global Young Greens

Paul Cohen - 4 votes - **not elected**

Lara Render - 28 votes - **elected**

Cedric Jürgensen - 8 votes - **not elected**

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Res 2 (Climate, submitted by EC): Hot air or climate justice? The COP21

- Line 14(1) Y: 30 N: 0 A: 14 - **carried**
- Line 30(1) Y: 23 N: 7 A: 16 - **carried**
- Lines 31-34 Y: 37 N: 0 A: 6 - **carried**
- Line 51(1) Y: 34 N: 6 A: 8 - **carried**
- Line 63 (compromising lines 54-55) Y: 30 N: 2 A: 12 - **carried**

Entire RES: Y: 44 N: 0 A: 2 - **Adopted**

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Interruption for results of the 3rd round for Ecosprinter Editorial Board:

Simo Raittila **elected** with 34 votes

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Res 3 (Democracy, submitted by EC): Poland, Hungary, Slovakia: European Comeback Wanted

- Line 7(1) Y: 31 N: 0 A: 15 - **carried**
- Line 28(1) - **adopted**
- Line 47 adopted by EC but request for vote: Y: 22 N: 10 A: 16 - **carried**
- Line 49 Y: 14 N: 10 A: 23 - **carried**
- Line 56 Y: 12 N: 9 A: 26 - **carried**

Entire resolution Y: 27 N: 8 A: 11 – **Adopted**

Res 4 (Basic income, submitted by Finnish Young Greens): Policy and action on Basic Income

- Lines 9 and 10 are voted against each other with simple majority: 9 Y: 18 – 10 Y: 10 – A: 20;  
Line 9 carries
  - Line 9 Y: 28 N: 6 A: 14 - **carried**
- Line 24(1) (compromise) - **adopted**
- Line 35 Y: 29 N: 7 A: 12 - **carried**
- Line 46 withdrawn, no upholding
- Lines 46-52 Y: 28 N: A: 20 - **carried**

Entire res Y: 29 N: 6 A: 13 - **Adopted**

- Amendments to the IRPs
  - Election committee (lines 134, 389, 457, 458-459, 739-743) Y: 8 N: 30 A: 8 – **not carried**
  - MO expulsion (lines 54/1, 54/2, 74-76) Y: 37 N: 0 A: 8 – **carried**
  - Strategic Planning Committee (lines 132, 183, 309) Y: 38 N: 2 A: 7 – **carried**
  - Financial improvements (lines 231, 233, 274, 275, 286, 289, 290, 544, 545, 551-552) – split vote
    - Block 231-545 Y: 43 N: 0 A: 5 – **carried**
    - Lines 551-552 separately Y: 30 N: 8 A: 10 – **not carried**
  - Polish WG proposal (various lines) Y: 20 N: 23 A: 4 – **not carried**
  - Austrian WG proposal (lines 324, 337, 341) – split vote

- Line 324 only Y: 10 N: 28 A: 10 – **not carried**
  - Lines 337 and 341 Y: 19 N: 16 A: 14 – **not carried**
  - EC WG proposal (line 346) Y: 33 N: 8 A: 4 – **not carried**
  - Editor-in-Chief (lines 368, 371) – split vote
    - Line 371 Y: 36 - Line 368 Y: 41 – both are **carried**
  - Voting procedure (lines 423-438) Y: 36 N: 6 A: 4 – **carried**
  - Number of EC members – conflicting vote, thus voting against each other with Simple Majority
    - EC Y: 23 – Aus: Y: 2 – A: 16 - EC amendment is voted for IRPs
      - EC proposal against IRPs: Y: 22 N: 18 A: 6 – **not carried**
  - Study visit MO candidate (line 59) Y: 30 N: 0 A: 16 – **not carried**
  - Duration of EC mandate (line 220) Y: 8 N: 33 A: 4 – **not carried**
  - SecGen (lines 260, 115) Y: 22 N: 17 A: 7 – **not carried**
  - Line 369 Y: 36 N: 4 A: 8 – **carried**
  - Vegan food (line 645) Y: 35 N: 4 A: 9 – **carried**
  - Alcohol policy (line 803) Y: 16 N: 22 A: 13 – **not carried**
- Amendments to the political platform

L 147: Y: 23 N: 3 A: 22 – **not carried**

- Activity plan
  - Line 138 Y: 10 N: 8 A: 26 – **carried**
  - Lines 146-147 Y: 16 N: 4 A: 28 – **carried**

Move to vote for debate by SWE – **not carried** by maj voting against

- Line 156 Y: 4 N: 20 A: 20 - **not carried**
- Line 199f Y: 10 N: 16 A: 18 - **not carried**
- Line 217 Y: 18 N: 8 A: 20 – **carried**
- Line 257(1) Y: 33 N: 1 A: 6 – **carried**

➤ Line 264(1) Y: 28 N: 4 A: 15 - **carried**

Entire Activity Plan: Y: 46 N: 0 A: 2 – **Adopted**

- Budget

No budget amendments

Adoption of budget: Y: 42 N: 0 A: 6 – **Adopted**

- New Mandates for WGs (simple majority)

Food System and Animal Rights Y: maj N: 2 A: 4 – renewed mandate

Democracy, new name: Future of Europe Y: maj N: 2 A: 2 – renewed mandate

SPP will not want to continue its work

Global Justice WG: Y: maj N: 2 A: 2 – renewed mandate

Migration WG: Y: maj N: 2 A: 2 – renewed mandate

climate WG Y: maj N: 2 A: 2 – renewed mandate

inclusion WG Y: maj N: 2 A: 8 – renewed mandate

Gender WG Y: maj N: 3 A: 6 – renewed mandate

- Closing of the General Assembly

**THE END**

# Annexes

## Amendments to the IRPs (sorted in blocks)

### Block: Election committee

*Proposed by the Swedish Young Greens*

#### **Line(s) 389:**

Below “2. Bodies” add a new point “2.9 Election Committee”.

“The election committee prepares GAs elections on positions and propose which candidates should be elected. Election committee also prepare replacements between the GAs and other call for positions that needs to be elected by the MOs when the EC calls for that. The Election committee is composed of three, five or seven people and appoint a coordinator between themselves. The election committee will present its proposal two weeks before the GA which shall include:

- Proposal of their preferred candidates to the different positions to be elected at the GA.
- All other candidates who still are running for the positions i.e. not preferred by the election committée.

Resigning members of the Executive Committee prepares the election of the election committée to the GA”

#### **Line(s) 134:**

Give the EC the task to propose changes to “2.1.4 Deadlines and calls” for the next GA to adapt the process to suit the Election Committee.

#### **Line(s) 457:**

Change: The EC publishes a call for candidates for the vacant position.

To: The EC alerts ElecCom who publishes a call for candidates for the vacant position.

#### **Line(s) 458-459:**

Change: Applications are possible by anybody who gains the support of 2 MOs and have to be directed to the EC and/or the general list.

To: Applications is gathered by the election committee who prepares a proposal of a candidate to the member organization and inform about the other candidates available through the EC and/or the general list.

**Line(s) 739-743:**

remove the point: "One nomination letter from the MO he or she belongs to. If that is not possible, the MO of which the candidate is from must provide an explanation of they rejection and the possible candidate has the right to provide a letter of justification. The letter will be send to all MO and the GA will decided whether this person is admitted to candidate or not"

**Block: MO suspension**

*Proposed by the EC*

**Line(s) 54 / 1:**

ADD: If no update or other contact is made between a MO and FYEG EC between two GAs, the EC has a right to propose suspension or expulsion of this MO. - In case of a suspension an MO loses its status of being a full MO.

**Line(s) 54 / 2:**

ADD: Expulsion The Expulsion of an MO means that said organisation is not listed as member organisation anymore and hence loses all rights within FYEG

**Line(s) 74-76:**

Delete: "If no update or other contact is made between a MO and FYEG EC between two GAs, the EC has a right to propose suspension or expulsion of this MO."

**Block: Strategic Planning Committee**

*Proposed by the EC and the SPP WG*

**Line(s) 132:**

[add new bullet point under 2.1.3, after "the financial control committee"]: The Strategic Planning Committee

**Line(s) 183:**

[add new bullet point under 2.1.5, after "the executive committee"]: The Strategic Planning Committee

**Line(s) 309:**

[add new point 2.6; subsequent points change accordingly]:

## 2.6 Strategic Planning Committee

The Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) is responsible for evaluating how the structures, procedures, activities and other central aspects of FYEG function. It also develops proposals for the MOs, GA, EC, office and other relevant bodies of FYEG to consider.

It reports to the GA (cf. 2.1.3) and may submit motions and amendments to the GA (cf. 2.1.5). The SPC is appointed by the Executive Committee after a selection process. Candidates to the SPC must submit a nomination letter from an MO.

The SPC needs to have two coordinators, at least one of them being female. These two persons are serving as contact point for people outside of the SPC, handle the SPC's internal meeting schedule and communication and reports to the EC as well as the GA. Neither of them can be the EC member.

The SPC is divided into three subgroups: the Activity Subgroup, the Political Subgroup, and the Structural Subgroup.

## Block: Financial improvements

*Proposed by the EC*

### **Line(s) 231:**

[add after "the EC and the GAs"]: " based on the information delivered from the office"

[so new sentence reads "prepares the financial report to the EC and the GAs based on the information delivered from the office."]

### **Line(s) 233:**

[add new bullet point after "\"regular updates\""]

• the reports presented to EC have to include:

1. report on incomes – explanation of present incomes sheet and plan for the coming months;
2. report on expenses – has to be easily understandable, presented according to budget lines, updated with all expenses to a set date, has to include known expenses to come and possible predictions and plan of spendings;
3. Liquidity report;
4. Projects and contractual obligations report

### **Line(s) 274:**

[New bullet point after "The Office"]

- supporting the work of the treasurer with delivering timely, accurate financial information to Treasurer and EC

### **Line(s) 275:**

[add new bullet point before "the writing of annual reports"]

- Preparing financial reports and updates together with the Treasurer (explained in details under the cf. 2.2.2 – Treasurer)

**Line(s) 286:**

Change "a yearly meeting" into "at least one meeting a year"

**Line(s) 289:**

[add]

The financial report that is to be presented to the GA and all other relevant material have to be ready and in disposal for the meeting.

**Line(s) 290:**

Add before:

It is recommended that the EC and the office shares relevant information related to the finances of the organisation to FCC throughout the year.

**Line(s) 544:**

[add new paragraph after "different bodies"]

The FYEG bookkeeping is done according to accepted accounting practice.

**Line(s) 545:**

[add new paragraph before "The internal mechanisms"]

The bookkeeping is done regularly by the office or by an external accountant, contracted to do the FYEG bookkeeping throughout the year.

**Line(s) 551-552:**

Change

"Additionally an external audit is provided by an external accountant. An external auditor is included in case the FYEG financial situation allows it."

into

"Additionally an external audit is executed every four years."

**Block: Polish YGs on WGs**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen (Poland)*

**Line(s) 110:**

Remove "mandates the working groups".

**Line(s) 215:**

Add after „mandates the working groups”.



**Line(s) 325-326:**

“For a working group to be formed, an outline defining its topical scope, aims and working area must be accepted by the GA”. Change to: „For a working group to be formed, an outline defining its topical scope, aims and working area must be accepted by the EC”.

**Line(s) 326-237:**

“Such proposals can be made at the GA by a full MO, the parting EC or an ad hoc WG”. Change to: “Such a proposal can be made by at least 5 members of different MOs, who have the support of their respective organizations”.

**Line(s) 328-330:**

Remove.

**Line(s) 336-337:**

“The EC has to publish a call for interested members after the GA mandating a working group.” Change to: “The EC has to publish a call for interested members after it mandates a working group”.

**Line(s) 351:**

Add after: “The EC can decide to close or suspend a Working Group should it decide it’s inactive, working against the political platform or has fulfilled its role”.

**Block: Austrian amendments of WGs**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne / Junge Alternative (Austria)*

**Line(s) 324:**

“A working group consist of at least 5 people from 5 different MOs.”  
Proposition: ““A working group consist of at least 5 people from 5 different MOs and at most 8 people. ”

**Line(s) 337 and 341:**

*Line: 337*

Insert: ““Applicants from MOs need a support letter by their MO.”

*Line. 341*

“by submitting a letter of motivation to the coordination of this group.”  
Proposition: “by submitting a letter of motivation and a support letter by their MO if they are a member of a MO to the coordination of this group.”

**Block: The EC on WGs**

*Proposed by the EC*

**Line(s) 346:**

Change "A member of the EC should be included in every working group, however this person cannot be the coordinator." into "A member of the EC may be included in every working group, however this person cannot be the coordinator."

Block: Editor-in-chief

*Proposed by the EC*

**Line(s) 368:**

[add after "has to be gender balanced"]

- elects an Editor-in-Chief among its members

**Line(s) 371:**

[add paragraph after "mission and development of the Ecosprinter"]

In case there is not a consensus within the EEB on the election of the Editor-in-Chief, or an absolute majority (cf. 3.4.1), the EC appoints the Editor-in-Chief.

The role of the editor in chief is to coordinate the work of the EEB and ensure that the mission of the EcoSprinter is fulfilled.

Block: Voting system

*Proposed by DWARS*

**Line(s) 423-438:****3.4.1 Principles**

- The main principle is to rank all candidates according to your preferences for candidates. Where 1 is your first preference 2 your second preference and so on.
- If no more candidates you wish to vote for remain, voters have the option to leave the rest of the ballot blank.
- Only a completely blank ballot counts as abstention.
- To be elected a candidate needs an absolute simple majority.

**3.4.2 Procedures**

1 – The candidates who have reached the election threshold (an absolute majority) are elected.

2 – If some positions are still available, the following process starts:

2a – The left-over votes on candidates reaching the election threshold are redistributed according to second preferences, using the Single Transferable Vote system of distribution.

2b – If one or more candidates have reached the election threshold, that/those candidate(s) are elected in order from highest to lowest vote count. Then go back to the start of 2.

2c – If no candidate reaches the threshold in this way, the candidate with the lowest amount of votes is removed from the election. The ballot-papers that ranked this candidate as their first preference are redistributed according to their second preference. The process is then restarted (1).

## Block: EC-amendments on number of EC members

*Proposed by the EC*

### **Line(s) 219:**

Change "The EC is composed of 8 people"  
Into "The EC is composed of 9 people"

### **Line(s) 225:**

Change "five additional members" into "six additional members"

### **Line(s) 243:**

Change "five remaining members" into "six remaining members"

## Block: Austrian amendments on number of EC members

*Proposed by Junge Grüne / Junge Alternative*

### **Line(s) 219-243:**

under 2.2.2 Composition

The EC is composed of 8 people (...)

Within the EC there are two spokes-persons, who must neither be of the same sex nor from the same MO, the treasurer and five additional members.

(...)

In contrast to the treasurer and the spokespersons the five remaining members of the EC have no specific tasks.

(...)

Proposition:

The EC is composed of 7 people (...)

Within the EC there are two spokes-persons, who must neither be of the same sex nor from the same MO, the treasurer and four additional members.

(...)

In contrast to the treasurer and the spokespersons the four remaining members of the EC have no specific tasks.

(...)

## Single amendments

### **Line(s) 59:**

*Proposed by the EC*

ADD (Candidate/Full)

"and if applicable provide information about the intention of changing the membership status towards full MO membership."

### **Line(s) 220:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne / Junge Alternative*

under 2.2.2 Composition

(...) who are elected by the GA with their mandate lasting until the following ordinary GA

Proposition:

(...) who are elected by the GA with their mandate lasting two years until the one after the next ordinary GA.

### **Line(s) 260 and 115:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne / Junge Alternative*

under 2.3 Secretary General

The Secretary General is elected for a two year mandate at the GA. (...)

Proposition:

The Secretary General is elected for a two year mandate by the EC. The GA confirms the election.

under 2.1.2 Competences

The general assembly (...) elects: (...) the secretary general

Proposition:

The general assembly (...) confirms: (...) the ECs election of the secretary general

### **Line(s) 369:**

*Proposed by the EC*

[delete]

- follow democratic principles
- edit language deficiencies

### **Line(s) 645:**

*Proposed by the food WG*

Only vegetarian and vegan food will be reimbursed. At every event vegan food should be offered and its consume encouraged.

### **Line(s) 803:**

*Proposed by the Swedish Young Greens*

To add after line 803:

## 7.4 Annex 4 – alcohol policy

### 7.4.1 Purpose

Taking responsibility as an organization towards people that are in some way uncomfortable around alcohol and drugs is important.

7.4.2 Events arranged by FYEG- All events arranged by FYEG should have zero tolerance to the consumption of alcohol and drugs during scheduled time. -

FYEG should strive to be inclusive and offer activities after scheduled time that not involve alcohol.

7.4.3 Representation People representing FYEG on events arranged by other organizations should behave and avoid being intoxicated by alcoholic or drug substances.

## Amendments to the Political Program

Line(s) 147:

*Proposed by the Scottish Young Greens*

Add after: The most competent assessment in a situation where a country/region votes for more autonomy and how would this affect the rise of nationalism and the aforementioned principles should be made within that region/country. FYEG should support MO(s) in their assessment.

## Proposed resolutions and their amendments

### Resolution 1: RES-1 Is There a Form of Life in Europe?

*Proposed by the EC*

Fortress Europe has during the past year manifested its exceptional brutality, exposing the face of those who defend it. Fear and selfishness. Demagoguery and fascism. Whatever the motivation, the result is the same.

#### **Deaths.**

No borders, no barbed wires, no violent police or military will stop people on the move. Europe's asylum and migration policies will certainly have an effect on how much the people on the move will suffer and how many of them will die during their journey. But no policies will, nor can, stop the movement, whatever the nationalist discourses may suggest.

Immense tragedies in the Central Mediterranean in 2015 led to a welcomed increase in search-and-rescue capacities. Refugees, on the other hand, increasingly employed the Eastern Mediterranean route. Now the EU has made a dirty deal with the increasingly authoritarian

Turkish government, stating absurdly that “the EU and Turkey today decided to end the irregular migration from Turkey to the EU.” Millions are stranded in the country without guaranteed legal protection. New catastrophes in the Central Mediterranean, when refugees are trying to reach Europe from Libya and Egypt, remind us the ‘solutions’ have, in fact, achieved nothing but to divert the crisis further from the dirty European conscience.

### **More deaths.**

This raises the question: is there life in Europe?

The Federation of Young European Greens believes there is. The volunteers and multiple non-governmental organisations helping refugees alongside the borders, along the routes, and in the societies of destination. The activists who challenge Europe’s internal and external borders, who demand another European project, a humane one, and who resist Fortress Europe. And, of course, the refugees who make it here are, and will be, a vital part of our common Europe.

There is a great deal of solidarity in Europe today. This is a massive force and it is on the rise. By nourishing and intensifying it, we will make sure that life prevails over death in Europe. However, we cannot foresee sustainable solutions based on ad-hoc volunteer involvement, when it is the very role of our states and the European Union’s institutions to guarantee human rights, freedom of movement, welcoming and inclusion of those who seek refuge.

Therefore, we demand that member states and institutions of the European Union:

1. Sustain wide, publicly funded search-and-rescue operations throughout the Mediterranean, wherever there are indications of a maritime migration route.
2. Ensure that the UNHCR and other essential non-governmental organisations can access refugee camps, detention centers, and other sites where refugees are held, both within the EU as well as in third countries such as Turkey.
3. Create safe and legal routes for refugees to reach Europe, in particular humanitarian visas, adequate and effective resettlement programmes from countries bordering Syria, and facilitated family reunification.
4. Compel the Austrian government to renounce its decision to shut down the Balkan route of refugees, and strongly encourage all countries along the route to let refugees pass without any intimidation.
5. Revoke the deal between the EU and Turkey of the 18 March 2016 on the grounds that it breaches international law.
6. Derecognize Turkey as a safe third country, based on numerous reports of forced return of refugees from Turkey’s border with Syria, the incidents of Turkish violence against these people, as well as on the basis of Turkey’s non-ratification and non-compliance with crucial international human rights treaties.

7. Provide more substantial (financial, HR) support to countries disproportionately affected by the inflow of migrants, who have become the sole responsible countries for the survival and well-being of thousands due to lack of intra-European solidarity.
8. Set up a redistribution programme that responds to the real needs of refugees, in particular the 50 000 refugees trapped in Greece.
9. Ensure humane and dignified welcoming capacities for refugees and asylum-seekers, in the refugee camps but also in their societies of arrival. This includes fast access to mainstream education, healthcare, employment and housing in order to facilitate quick integration.
10. Prioritise the refugees crisis' management by state investment, financial and legal action, and allocation of human and technical capacities, rather than the destructive and useless construction of walls and barriers.

## Amendments to resolution 1

### *Including compromises*

#### **Line(s) 1:**

Proposed by DWARS

Replace the title "Is there a Form of Life in Europe" with "Europe, tear down that fortress"

#### **Line(s) 12:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

replace „Refugees, on the other hand, increasingly employed the Eastern Mediterranean route" with „Refugees, on the other hand, *are increasingly exposed* to the Eastern Mediterranean route"

#### **Line(s) 23:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

replace „The volunteers and multiple non-governmental organisations helping refugees alongside the borders, along the routes, and in the societies of destination."

with : „The volunteers and multiple non-governmental organisations helping refugees *along* the borders, along the routes, and in the societies of destination."

#### **Line(s) 28, 42, 44, 48, 49, 62, 63, 67:**

*Proposed by écolo j*

Replace the occurrences of the word "refugees" by "migrants"

#### **Line(s) 47:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

Replace "Compel the Austrian government to renounce its decision to shut down the Balkan route of refugees, and strongly encourage all countries along the route to let refugees pass without any intimidation."

With "Compel all EU countries along the Balkan route of refugees to renounce their decision to shut down the route, and strongly encourage all countries along the route to let refugees pass without intimidation."

**Line(s) 56:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

add after l. 56 "Additionally, derecognize the Western Balkan states as safe third countries, based on the ongoing discrimination against e.g. homosexuals, Sinti and Roma. Moreover, FYEG opposes the addition of any other country to the list of safe third countries."

## Resolution 2: RES-2 Hot air or climate justice? The COP21

*Proposed by the EC*

It was called a breakthrough and beginning of an end of fossil fuel. Months of negotiation which come to a climax at the the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP21) when an agreement was reached on December 12th 2015.

This somewhat historic and ambitious agreement deserves to be called so, because the agreement includes a reference to the milestone limiting the temperature increase to 1.5° C. The universality of signatories and the rhetoric leaders used at the COP21 were unprecedented and this agreement is the most ambitious up to now, in addition to it being legally binding. However, despite some successes, the COP21 just really treads the waters if we consider the urgency and the devastating effects climate change has already on populations, and communicates notwithstanding forecasts about the future impacts.

The current commitments would only go as far as reducing the man made temperature increase to more than 3° C. More voluntary commitments are needed to achieve a real decrease in temperature and avoid catastrophic consequences for the globe. Any review of the intended nationally determined reductions or INDCs will not happen before 2018. Bearing in mind that current estimates predict that by 2020 the world will have reached the emission levels causing temperatures to rise above the 1.5 °C threshold injects some reality to the ambitious talks. In practice the 1.5 °C commitment was never made and is certainly not legally binding: it remains an ambition mentioned in this final agreement and that alone was cause for celebration.

The celebratory mood the COP21 generated was born out of political hibernation and avoidance on the issue of climate change. Highlighting the lack of political will which has prevailed for years causing a minimal agreement with a mildly progressive look to cause such celebration. It illustrates the weakness and failure of the climate politics. The significance of the agreement and commitments in their current form will not halt climate change nor do they provide mechanisms to pay reparation payments for loss and damage or lay out a financing strategy to leave fossil fuels.



Furthermore, no financial model has been established to adequately help countries in the Global South to avoid going through a fossil fuel intensive transition of their economy. Financing for climate protection and adaptation for countries from the Global South is completely missing from the agreement.

A commitment to renewable energies is missing from the legally binding text and is only mentioned as a preamble. Together with vague passages that have replaced the clear aim of de-carbonising the economy, the agreement still stipulates a false technological fix for the climate crisis such as carbon storage. There is no clear political commitment to end the era of fossil fuels, nor are there clear targets and plans for the urgently needed energy transition to clean renewable energies.

Hopes for Paris were a climate financing plan where availability and distribution and the steady increase of funds available to the Global South would be announced. When demanding drastic climate action from a global community, it is ignorant to demand drastic climate action from e.g. India where [21.3 % or 266 million](#) inhabitants have no access to electricity, without providing adequate financial and technological support.

Should a country not comply with their climate commitments, there is no penalty mechanism which applies. Our role as young Europeans is to hold our governments accountable, to seek further political commitment, to push the agenda for legally binding enforcement mechanisms. Climate change can only be tackled on a global level. Political pressure can only be mounted if civil society movements are mobilised and join the climate fight. Our support for direct actions such as the Ende Gelände movement must be an essential strategy for our future fight for climate justice. The COP22 in Morocco represents an important opportunity to further mobilise and cooperate on a global level.

Divestment and decarbonising the economy is an easy, essential next step for the Global North to take and must be a priority to call for from governments and businesses. Our full commitment and the combined pressure of civil society and political actors must change the carbon intensive industries not to only cut our own emissions but to drive low carbon technologies forward and demonstrate that quitting the addictive carbon intensive diet is overdue.

## Amendments to resolution 2

### *Including compromises*

#### **Line(s) 3:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

delete one "the": „Months of negotiation which come to a climax at ~~the~~ the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP21) when an agreement was reached on December 12th 2015.”

#### **Line(s) 5:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

Replace: "This somewhat historic and ambitious agreement deserves to be called so, because the agreement includes a reference to the milestone limiting the temperature increase to 1.5 C. The universality of signatories and the rhetoric leaders used at the COP21 were unprecedented and this agreement is the most ambitious up to now, in addition to it being legally binding. However, despite some successes, the COP21 just really treads the waters if we consider the urgency and the devastating effects climate change has already on populations, and communicates notwithstanding forecasts about the future impacts."

with:

"The Paris Agreement is a two sided medal: Ambitious for what was possible, catastrophic with regard to what is needed. The inclusion of the 1.5°C goal is a success for the Global South and the climate movement. The universality of signatories and the rhetoric leaders used at the COP21 were unprecedented and this agreement is the most ambitious up to now, in addition to it being legally binding. The deal makes reparations for losses & damages caused by the climate crisis impossible. Human Rights and other principles are not ensured. Necessary support for the Global South is not provided. The failure of Paris leaves the planet with a manifestation of global injustice and a poisoned 1.5°C goal."

**Line(s) 14:**

*Proposed by Les Jeunes Ecologistes*

**After:** "The current commitments would only go as far as reducing the man made temperature increase to more than 3 C",

**Add:** "(...), if the agreement is respected, which is uncertain, considering the lack of effective compliance mechanisms."

**Line(s) 30:**

*Proposed by Migration WG*

add: A declaration of rights for climate refugees was not on the table at the COP21 in Paris. From a scientific point of view it's been said that Climate refugees will reach 230 million by 2050. These refugees can play a key role in mitigating and in adapting to climate change over the next few decades, provided some of the yearly 100 billion dollars pledged in COP21 are allotted to the socioeconomic programmes geared to mitigation and adaptation, and are implemented mostly for and by climate refugees. We as Green young Europeans have an opportunity to push this issue in the political agenda for COP22 in Morocco.

**Line(s) 30(1):**

*Compromise by Migration WG & EC*

A declaration of rights for climate refugees was not on the table at the COP21 in Paris. From a scientific point of view it's been said that Climate refugees will reach more than 150 million by 2050<sup>1</sup>. These refugees can play a key role in mitigating and in adapting to climate change over the next few decades, provided some of the yearly 100 billion dollars pledged in COP21 are allotted to the socioeconomic programmes geared to mitigation and adaptation, and are implemented mostly for and by climate refugees. We as Young European Greens have an opportunity to push this issue in the political agenda for COP22 in Morocco.

Footnote:

<sup>1</sup><http://nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/climate-refugee/>

**Line(s) 31-34:**

*Proposed by écolo j*

Replace:

"Furthermore, no financial model has been established to adequately help countries in the Global South to avoid going through a fossil fuel intensive transition of their economy. Financing for climate protection and adaptation for countries from the Global South is completely missing from the agreement."

With:

"Furthermore, there has been no reflexion associating Global South countries on how to avoid them from going through a fossil fuel intensive transition of their economy. An ambitious Green Climate Fund is completely missing from the agreement."

**Line(s) 31-34:**

*Compromise by écolo j & EC*

Furthermore, there has been no reflexion associating Global South countries on how to avoid them from going through a fossil fuel intensive transition of their economy. Financing for climate protection and adaptation for countries from the Global South is completely missing from the agreement.

**Line(s) 37-38:**

*Proposed by DWARS et al.*

Replace "the agreement still stipulates a false technological fix for the climate crisis such as carbon storage" with "the agreement implies that very drastic reduction policy is not necessary due to carbon storage, while both measures are indispensable for a target of 1.5 degrees"

**Line(s) 51:**

*Proposed by Les Jeunes Ecologistes*

Remove: "Climate change can only be tackled on a global level"

And replace by: "As climate should be a main topic in the European instances, we demand the European Union to end the negotiations of TTIP/CETA, considering its destructive impact on the environment. The European Commission must start divesting from fossil fuels and invest in the renewables to stay consistent with the statements expressed during COP21. Energetic efficiency and sobriety are essential to lead a real transition: climate change must be tackled on a global and local level."

**Line(s) 51(1):**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND et al.*

**Remove:** "Climate change can only be tackled on a global level"

**And replace by:** "As climate should be a main topic in the European instances, we demand the European Union to end the negotiations of TTIP/CETA, considering its destructive impact on the

environment. The European Commission and the member states must start divesting from fossil fuels and invest in the renewables to stay consistent with the statements expressed during COP21. Energetic efficiency and sobriety are essential to lead a real transition: climate change must be tackled on a global and local level. The climate crisis is the consequence of a system reinforcing growth, and of a failure of global cooperation.”

**Line(s) 52:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

Add in l. 52 after "global level": "The climate crisis is the consequence of a system reinforcing growth, and of a failure of global cooperation.”

**Line(s) 53:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

Delete: "Our support for direct actions such as the Ende Gelände movement must be an essential strategy for our future fight for climate justice. The COP22 in Morocco represents an important opportunity to further mobilise and cooperate on a global level.”

**Line(s) 54:**

*Proposed by écolo j*

Change: Our support for direct actions such as the Ende Gelände movement must be an essential strategy for our future fight for climate justice.

To: Our support for direct actions and civil disobedience such as the Ende Gelände movement must be an essential strategy for our future fight for climate justice.

**Line(s) 55:**

*Proposed by écolo j & Jong Groen*

Change: The COP22 in Morocco represents an important opportunity to further mobilise and cooperate on a global level.

To: Is the COP 22 an important opportunity to further mobilise and cooperate on a global level or a territory vulnerable to spill-over from the infiltration by global companies?

**Line(s) 57:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Insert: "We need broad alliances with social movements from below in order to challenge the capitalist system which inherently causes the destruction of our environment.”

**Line(s) 63:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

Add after l. 63: "The UN Climate negotiations are not nearly as successful as it would be necessary. Still, we as Young European Greens think that the UNFCCC is one of the main forums to discuss the climate crisis and to take action against it. Therefore, COP22 in Morocco represents an important opportunity to further mobilise and cooperate on a global level.

However, action is not only needed within the protected walls of the UNFCCC. The fight against the climate crisis is manual labor. The Greens have one of their origins in the environmental

movement – and are still part of it. As Young European Greens, we want to show solidarity with the climate movement and its different strategies. Civil disobedience and direct action are becoming central elements in the fight against the climate crisis. Therefore we also stand in solidarity with actions like "Ende Gelände" and "Breakfree". They are not necessarily legal, but legitimate. We want to show resistance – ranging all the way from blockades into parliaments!"

**Line(s) 63(1):**

*Compromise by GRUENE JUGEND et al.*

Add after l. 63: "The UN Climate negotiations are not nearly as successful as it would be necessary. Still, we as Young European Greens think that the UNFCCC is one of the main forums to discuss the climate crisis and to take action against it. Therefore, COP22 in Morocco represents an important opportunity to further mobilise and cooperate on a global level. Still we see the danger of fossil fuel corporations to contradict climate protection. We want Big Polluters to be kicked out of climate policy.

However, action is not only needed within the protected walls of the UNFCCC. The fight against the climate crisis is manual labor. The Greens have one of their origins in the environmental movement – and are still part of it. As Young European Greens, we want to show solidarity with the climate movement and its different strategies. Civil disobedience and direct action are becoming central elements in the fight against the climate crisis. Therefore we also stand in solidarity with actions like "Ende Gelände" and "Breakfree". They are not necessarily legal, but legitimate. We want to show resistance – ranging all the way from blockades into parliaments!"

### Resolution 3: RES-3 Poland, Hungary, Slovakia: European comeback wanted

*Proposed by the EC*

The European Union project has been recently challenged by international situations for which member states would have to stand all together, politically reflecting the values and ideals the European construction is supposed to be based on, in order to fulfil their role as a global player. Unfortunately, they have not always been able to appear as unite to the international community, as the ongoing refugee crisis tragically shows every day. One reason for this are the discrepancies between European governments' political stands and the apparently nearly impossibility to find a consensus or an internal arrangement regarding important political topics. Particularly, in the central Europe region, the Polish, Hungarian and Slovakian governments showed in the last months a rather questionable political shift towards right-wing authoritarian populist attitudes and policies.

Governments of the Visegrad group are, as in other countries in Europe, politically and electorally put under pressure by the extreme right. The legislative election in Slovakia on March 5th, 2016 resulted in the populist self-defined social democrat Robert Fico to keep his first place, while two extreme right, respectively nationalist and neo-Nazi, parties entered the Parliament with more than 8% of the votes. The PiS party in Poland, that has been governing

the country for one year, was democratically confirmed at the last legislative election in October 2015. In Hungary, the sovereignist conservative Viktor Orban has been leading the country for 6 years. Populist parties came into power thanks to xenophobic, nationalistic and Eurosceptical discourses around the migration question.

From a strictly electoral perspective, all three governments are democratic. Nevertheless, their anti-liberalism and conservatism allows one to regard them as populist, whether on the questions of public morality, like in Poland where the already barely existing rights to abortion and sexual orientation is being challenged, economy, like in Slovakia where the government shows a really authoritative attitude, or politics, like in Hungary where the xenophobic rhetoric of Orban is backed up by an assumed democratic-authoritarian leading style.

Nevertheless, it is clear that the Rule of Law is being flouted. The Polish government put at risk the principles of separation of powers by taking over the media and the constitutional control by passing a law that makes it impossible for the constitutional Court to work. The European Council reacted by opening a procedure to check and secure the Rule of Law in Poland. While having shown a sincere will to move towards EU requirements in the past, the political shifts happening for a few years in the central European region are now threatening the political union between EU member states, while the concerned countries considerably benefit from European investments into their public sector.

The clear mutual advantages of a political and economic Union – while still waiting for a social one – will finally be put under high pressure by these populist, nationalist and conservative governments that ultimately encourage the comeback of nationalisms all over Europe and the weakening of the project for a common future. FYEG calls for the creation of a real European political space including

- the Europeanisation of political debate at the European level, not allowing national governments to set the agenda
- the creation and support to diffusion of European media and watchdogs
- the federalisation of political parties

The state of play in the European Union requires an urgent reaction from EU authorities and member states, reminding partners of the principles the European construction was built on and committing to come back at the table to find common solutions to common challenges without stepping back to old national reflexes. The absence of such reactions would only lead to further legitimisation of selfish attitudes from national governments, ultimately unravelling the political Union that we have been trying to develop in the last decades.

Amendments to resolution 3

*Including compromises*

**Line(s) 7:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

replace "refugee crisis" with "situation of refugees"

**Line(s) 7(1):**

*Compromise by GRUENE JUGEND et al.*

replace "refugee crisis" with "inability to cooperate for the sake of refugees' rights"

**Line(s) 19-21:**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen*

"The PiS party in Poland, that has been governing the country for one year, was democratically confirmed at the last legislative election in October 2015". -> replace with "In Poland conservative and nationalistic party PiS has been democratically elected in October 2015 and now rules Poland with absolute majority".

**Line(s) 26-27:**

*Proposed by DWARS et al.*

Replace "Nevertheless, their anti-liberalism and conservatism allows one to regard them as populist"

With: Nevertheless, their anti-liberal, conservative and authoritarian attitudes raises severe doubts about their commitment to and respect of the democratic system.

**Line(s) 28:**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen*

"and sexual orientation" – replace with "and minority rights" + are

**Line(s) 28(1):**

*Compromise by Ostra Zielen & EC*

Replace: "... like in Poland where the already barely existing rights to abortion and sexual orientation is being challenged..."

with: "like in Poland where the already barely existing women and LGBTIQ rights are being challenged..."

**Line(s) 35:**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen*

constitutional Court -> "Constitutional Court"

**Line(s) 36:**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen*

add "Despite low terrorist threat in Poland, a new anti-terrorist laws are being passed that allow police and secret services to invigilate and gather information about citizens without the court order".

**Line(s) 36-37:**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen*

"While having shown a sincere will to move towards EU requirements in the past," – remove

**Line(s) 47:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

add bullet points after l. 47:

- FYEG calls for enforcing EU sanctions against member states that undermine basic democratic principles
- FYEG calls the EU Court of Justice as the highest level of jurisdiction in the EU to take action against all new laws in Poland, Hungary and Slovakia (or other EU members) that contradict democracy, freedom of the press and civil or human rights

**Line(s) 49:**

*Proposed by Mladi Zeleni et al.*

ADD: "We propose a New Convention on the Future of Europe."

**Line(s) 51:**

*Proposed by Ostra Zielen*

add "Supporting political and civic movements opposing authoritarian and anti-democratic changes in the region"

add "Countering the xenophobic and nationalistic narrative with a story of European solidarity and positive examples of support coming from the EU."

**Line(s) 56:**

*Proposed by Mladi Zeleni et al.*

ADD: The calling for a Constitutional Process at the European level, or a new European Convention, cannot be avoided anymore if the EU wants to survive as an integration project that overcomes old nation-state dynamics.

## Resolution 4: RES-4 Motion for the Federation of Young European Greens policy and action on basic income

*Proposed by ViNO Finnish young Greens and Students*

With notion to Federation of Young European Green's values of green social economy and in light of our 2008 Resolution on Basic Income, we, the member organisations of FYEG, demand a European basic income to protect European's social rights. Taking action for this matter is more important than ever, especially in the light of the economic crisis.

Poverty eradication & adapting to the new situation in working life



With technical development taking faster pace and work relationships being completely changed, there is no going back to traditional working life. Also in light of the economic crisis and austerity policy, Europe must provide economic guarantees for its nationals to live and support themselves.

European social policies must live in their time and change to suit better to the needs of the people and societies. Being an income that is unconditional and received by everyone, the basic income is the answer. The basic income would make it always useful to work but when the work ends, no one would be left without any support. In times of short-time employments this would make working always beneficial. The basic income would also make it easier to start own business by not having to worry how to support oneself in case of failing or not succeeding immediately. In this sense, the basic income would help poverty-eradication.

More work and less poverty would also help the European economy. By supporting its citizens, Europe could lift itself from the economic crisis. The basic income is a great alternative for austerity. The amount of income must though be suited to national income level in each member state, this to make sure that member states could not use basic income to lower the level of social security. At present, a common European level could lead to too low level of social security in countries with high level of prices.

#### Benefiting the youth

Basic income would also benefit the youth. It would provide income during the time of studying and after it, making sure that it is always advantageous to study without having to worry about working at the same time to support oneself. The basic income would also give the freedom to choose how one wants to live. The youth rarely have a clear image of what they want to do in life. The basic income would make sure that one can have a change of heart, change what one studies, where one lives and re-educate oneself later in life. The basic income would also provide youth more flexible job opportunities, would make part-time working easier and give youth better opportunities to get into working life.

Our policy paper on green social economy (2008) defines the basic income as following: 'We conceive Basic Income as a powerful tool in order to promote a green concept of economy. We understand basic income as an unconditional and periodic social benefit paid to all members of the society, regardless of their citizenship, on an individual basis. The amount should be big enough to cover the average basic needs of an individual.' The basic income should be one of our European core instruments in poverty eradication and enabling people to freely choose their way of life.

#### Implementation

On these premises and our already accepted FYEG policies, we feel that our and the federation's stand is clear. FYEG member organisations may have different positions concerning the question and should have a right to take a separate stance on the issue.

Member organisations should be given a chance to participate in discussion concerning the matter, albeit they should not feel to be politically bound to policies they cannot accept.

We call upon the federation's executive board and relevant working groups to

1. Facilitate and encourage on the matter within the federation and member organisations.
2. Actively promote and campaign for basic income in European, member states' , EU and international platforms.

#### Amendments to resolution 4

##### *Including compromises*

##### **Line(s) 7:**

*Proposed by EC*

Replace first sentence with:

Technical development has already and will continue to completely change our ways of working and it is evident there is no going back to traditional ways of working.

##### **Line(s) 9:**

*Proposed by EC*

remove "nationals to live and support themselves" and replace with "people to support themselves and their families."

##### **Line(s) 10:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

replace "for its nationals" with "for its citizens"

##### **Line(s) 12-13:**

*Proposed by EC*

Remove "Being an income that is unconditional and received by everyone, the basic income is the answer." Replace with "Therefore we call for a basic income, an income that is unconditional and received by everyone."

##### **Line(s) 24:**

*Proposed by EcoloJ & Jong Groen*

Add: [...] this to make sure that member states could not use basic income to lower the level of social security and social right.

##### **Line(s) 24 (1):**

*Compromise by ViNO et al.*

Add: [...] this is to help to make sure that member states could not use basic income to lower the level of social security and social rights.

**Line(s) 32-33:**

*Proposed by EC*

Replace "The youth rarely have a clear image of what they want to do in life" with "Youth should be a time where one can develop and pursue various life paths."

**Line(s) 35:**

*Proposed by EcoloJ & Jong Groen*

Delete: The basic income would also provide youth more flexible job opportunities, would make part-time working easier and give youth better opportunities to get into working life.

**Line(s) 37:**

*Proposed by EC*

Add "Moreover, it would ensure participation in culture and public affairs and encourage civic participation."

**Line(s) 46(1):**

*Proposed by Young Greens of England and Wales*

Insert the following section:

Enabling Artistic Practice

Currently throughout Europe the pursuit of a career within artistic practice (including musician, artist, sculptor, actor, dancer ect.) has been stifled by the lack of recognition of artists as skilled workers, and remunerations for their skill set is unacceptably low. It is also difficult for artistic practitioners to earn a living during the creation process. The introduction of a basic income would facilitate the pursuit of a career in artistic development allowing a steady income to subsidise living costs around the creation processes. It would also allow time for skills to be learnt and developed.

**Line(s) 46-52:**

*Proposed by EC*

Remove lines 46-52

**Line(s) 58(1):**

*Proposed by EcoloJ & Jong Groen*

Add: 4. We will come back to the collective reduction in working time in the debate that is to follow.

## Amendments to the Activity Plan

**Line(s) 123:**

*Proposed by Genç Yeşiller*

FYEG recognizes the crucial importance of organizing a Global Young Greens Congress parallel to the GG Congress in Liverpool. The EC and the office will actively support the Global Young Greens Steering Committee and Young Greens of England and Wales on fundraising efforts for the GYG Congress as well as logistics.

**Line(s) 134:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

add after l. 134: "Additionally the EC will seek possibilities to strengthen Twinning the Cities in a structural manner in cooperation with MOs."

**Line(s) 134(1):**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Insert: If such a networking and training activity is realized, an evaluation is to take place with a view to the creation of the activity plan for 2018.

**Line(s) 138:**

*Proposed by Les Jeunes Ecologistes*

After: "Picking up from the idea that emerged from the strategic planning meeting in February 2016, of creating the possibility for bigger gatherings of young Greens, 2017 will constitute the first step of what we hope will become a practice."

Add: "From this perspective, a bigger event than usual will be organized during the summer 2017 as a first experience in order to implement the practice from 2018 on."

**Line(s) 146-147:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Replace: "In terms of big events, we will evaluate after the 2016 camp the possibility to extend the 2018 summer camp to a political summer festival of 300-400 participants."

With: „In terms of big events, we intend to extend the 2018 summer camp to a political summer festival of 300-400 participants following evaluation of the 2016 camp.“

**Line(s) 153:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Change: "We suggest one or two of these to unite on one single day our activists all over the continent to take action under one topical umbrella."

To: "We suggest one or two of these to unite on one single day our activists all over the continent to take action under one topical umbrella in the context of the three main topics of 2017."

**Line(s) 156:**

*Proposed by Genç Yeşiller*

Discussion towards reaching a position on OPT\* and Israel FYEG will continue discussions on reaching a position on OPT and Israel. The EC will facilitate a process to proceed a position on the issue that has been discussed over four years. There will be a seminar to propose different

positions and prepare the process for a resolution for the GA next year. All MOs will be invited to present their positions. As there have been many processes of exchange in the last four years, the seminar will specifically aim to conclude in a resolution.

\*Occupied Palestinian Territories

**Line(s) 183:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Insert: "The subject of the 2017 Spring Conference will be chosen in the context of the three main topics of 2017."

**Line(s) 199 f:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

replace "There will be also one or two general MO Skype calls. One should be between the Strategic Planning Meeting and the General Assembly."

with

"The EC aims at more regular feedback loops in both directions between MOs and FYEG EC. To ensure this, there will be at least three MO Skype calls. The EC members responsible for specific regions should encourage regional Skype meetings."

**Line(s) 202:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Insert: "EC project concepts resulting from the Activity Plan are to be made transparent to Member Organisations and the Strategic Planning unit, including the aims, resources, target groups, intended evaluation and general outline of the project."

**Line(s) 207-209:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Replace: "Bigger Member Organisations will be supported by FYEG with international input, networking opportunities and europeanization of their struggles to produce more impact and learn from each other."

With: "Bigger Member Organisations will be supported by FYEG with international input, networking opportunities, meetings for mutual learning among key activists from MOs and europeanization of their struggles to produce more impact and learn from each other."

**Line(s) 217:**

*Proposed by Les Jeunes Ecologistes*

Change: "The Executive Committee will support and encourage Member Organisations to enhance regional cooperation, such as creating regional events of 2 or more MOs. Such regional events could entail supporting MOs to organize skill training, such as speakers trainings."

To: "FYEG will encourage Member Organisations to enhance regional cooperation, such as creating regional events of 2 or more MOs. The Executive Committee and the Office will support the organisation of such regional events in sharing best practices and helping the submission

for grants, not excluding a direct financial support. Such regional events could entail supporting MOs to organize skill training, such as speakers trainings.\”

**Line(s) 241:**

*Proposed by Junge Grüne*

Insert: ”One person in the Executive Committee or the Board of Editors is to be responsible for fund-raising for a printed edition of Ecosprinter.”

**Line(s) 257:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

add after l. 257: ”An audit of the relationship between EC and office is recommended to be implemented at the end of the mandate of the EC and will be reported to the GA.”

**Line(s) 257:**

*Compromise by GRUENE JUGEND et al.*

add after l. 257: ”An audit of the relationship between EC and office is recommended to be implemented during the mandate of the EC and will be reported to the GA.”

**Line(s) 264:**

*Proposed by GRUENE JUGEND*

replace ”While other Working Groups might continue to exist in the future, the accent will be set by the Executive Committee and the Office to support these specific Working Groups on political development, organisation of activities and communication, as well as on practical, logistical and administrative aspects.”

with

”While other Working Groups will continue to exist in the future, the accent will be set by the Executive Committee and the Office to support at least three specific Working Groups on political development, organisation of activities and communication, as well as on practical, logistical and administrative aspects.”

**Line(s) 264(1):**

*Compromise by GRUENE JUGEND et al.*

replace ”While other Working Groups might continue to exist in the future, the accent will be set by the Executive Committee and the Office to support these specific Working Groups on political development, organisation of activities and communication, as well as on practical, logistical and administrative aspects.”

with the following compromised text:

”While other Working Groups might continue to exist in the future, the accent will be set by the Executive Committee and the Office to support at least three specific Working Groups on political development, organisation of activities and communication, as well as on practical, logistical and administrative aspects.”