



## **EUROPA COUNCIL Discussions**

## Friday, October 28, 2022, 14:00-15:30h, Hotel Westin, Crystal Ballroom 1/2

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Language: Simultaneous Translation

Participants: All Member Countries; one voting representative per member

## **AGENDA**

1. Call to order;

Forum President, PDG Dražen Melčić calls the meeting to order at 14:00h

2. Opening by PDG Dražen MELČIĆ

President of Europa Forum 2022 reads the following statement, written in accordance with the all the 6 acting International Directors from CA4 Europe present at the Europa Forum:

"Welcome to our Europe Council discussion session. Before I begin, I would like to speak you about a situation that has come to our attention in relation to our Rules and Procedures for candidates running for office at Europa Forum to include the position of Archivist & Adviser - I refer to Chapter 6.7 which states as follows......

Europa Forum is a Non-political gathering of European Lions and global Lions friends. Respect for this intention is requested from all candidates seeking elected office. The use of posters, signs, banners and similar campaign material shall not be permitted. As you now see, it is not allowed for candidates to use any form of marketing material, and yet unfortunately it has been done.

While we bring this to your attention at this time, and outline to you that this is not allowed in our Rules and Procedures, there are no consequences set out therein in the event of these Rules not being followed.";

## Discussion about proposals:

3. (1) Approval of the minutes of the EF 2021 Thessaloniki;

- 4. (2) Report of the Accountant of EF 2021 Thessaloniki;
  - No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.

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- 5. (3) Presentation of candidacy MD 103 France, Forum Accountant; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 6. (4) Presentation of candidacy MD 108 Italy, Forum Accountant;





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- 7. (5) Presentation of candidacy MD 111 Germany, Forum Accountant; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 8. (6) Presentation of candidacy MD 105 British Isles, Forum Archivist and Advisor; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 9. (7) Presentation of candidacy D 119 Hungary, Forum Archivist and Advisor; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 10. (8) Proposal Emergency Resolution 1 LRPCE, EF Cancellation Policy; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 11. (9) Proposal Emergency Resolution 2 LRPCE, Amendm. to App. I of EF ROP responsibilities of LRPCE; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 12. (10) Presentation of candidacy D133 Ireland, Bid to Host EF, Dublin 2025; PCC Fabian Rusch, MD 111 Germany:

"The registration fee of 525,00€, + welcome party, + host party, + gala dinner = 750,00€, + accommodation, + travel costs. It's realistic but high costs. In Germany, thanks to host Lions contribution of 600.000€, participation fee is only 200,00€. The costs for the Europa Forum are in general becoming much too high. E.g. Lions in eastern Europe claimed that average monthly incomes are about 700,00€, or less, so they can't attend. Asking the ID's to bring up this issue at the Board meeting, in order to achieve more solidary finance of the Europa Forum. If each of the European Lions contributed with 0,60€, it made possible for small countries to host the Forum."

1stVDG Kevin Harty, D 133 Ireland:

"Fabian has already answered the questions raised. Obviously in Germany a sizable member contribution of 618.000€ out of 800.000€ total budget. As new SD 133 Ireland, we don't have such resources. We have carefully examined the costs and incomes, but will try to reduce the costs and increase alternative incomes and reduce the delegate registration costs. Still, asking the delegates to support the resolution."

PID Andrea Stojkovski:

"Very low participation from central and east Europe at Europa Forums. Additionally, in some countries there is a visa application charge of 200,00€ for the EU. Tehrefore it's difficult to attend, to motivate for attendance and to get the visa.

- 13. (11) Presentation of candidacy MD111 Germany, Bid to Host EF, Karlsruhe 2026; No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
- 14. Any Other Business;

No other business at the Europa Council 1.

15. Closing by PDG Dražen MELČIĆ, President of Europa Forum 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 14:12h

Slavica Olujić Klapčić Forum Secretary PDG Dražen Melčić Forum President