

Europa Forum – Dublin, Ireland 2025

*Cherish Our Past,
Envision Our Future*



EUROPEAN COUNCIL II MEETING MINUTES Discussion of Draft Resolutions

Friday, November 7, 2025, 09:45 - 10:30

Dublin Royal Convention Centre - *Douglas Hyde Suite*

Designated ID, Chairperson	ID Dr. Karl Brewi	MD 114 Austria
Forum President	PID Teresa Dineen	D 133 Ireland
Forum Vice-President	PID Barbara Grewe	MD 111 Germany
Forum Secretary	Lion Karl Ó Broin	D 133 Ireland
Forum Treasurer	PDG Kevin Harty	D 133 Ireland
Forum Archivist & Advisor	PID Miklós Horváth	MD 119 Hungary
Europa Forum Financial Controller	PID Daniel Isenrich	MD 111 Germany
International Director Europe	Guy-Bernard Bami	MD 103 France
International Director Europe	Lorena Hus	D 129 Slovenia
International Director Europe	Dražen Melčić	D 126 Croatia
International Director Europe	Niels Schnecker	D 124 Romania
International Director Europe	Hroar Thorsen	MD 104 Norway

Language: AI Translation

Invited Participants: All Member Countries; one voting representative per member.

1. **Call to order**; Forum President PID Teresa Dineen calls the meeting to order at 09:45h.
2. **Opening** by PID Teresa Dineen, President of the Europa Forum 2025.
President PID Teresa Dineen opens the European Council II Meeting by greeting and welcoming all attending Executive Officers, Europa Forum Member delegates and all the Lions attending.
3. **Statement of Credentials** – Karl Ó Broin, Forum Secretary
Attendance of Member delegates is documented by signature.
26 member delegates are present, out of a total of 33.
4. **Presentation of Draft Resolutions**
Forum President PID Teresa Dineen explains that all 14 Resolution Proposals presented at the EC I meeting had been accepted and will now be presented for discussion in the order of the application number.
Forum President PID Teresa Dineen opens each Resolution proposal for questions and closes each proposal after discussion.
 - 4.1 **Resolution 1** Application by MD 101 – Sweden to EUROPA FORUM 2025
 - Acceptance of the candidacy to host the Europa Forum 2029 in MalmöNo questions, remarks, comments, discussion
 - 4.2 **Resolution 2** Application by D 119 – Hungary to European Council 2025
 - Approval of the venue change for Europa Forum 2028 to GyőrNo questions, remarks, comments, discussion
 - 4.3 **Resolution 3** Application by D 119 – Hungary to European Council 2025

- The European Council III of the Europa Forum Dublin 2025 takes note that for the Europa Forum 2028 in Győr
 - the Forum President and Chair of the Host Committee will be PDG János HUNYADI,
 - the Program Director of the Host Committee will be PDG Ilona Dr. SOLYMOSINÉ Dr. KISS,
 - the Theme will be: LIKE RIVERS IN GYŐR, LIONS CONNECT CULTURES AND PEOPLE

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

4.4 **Resolution 4** Application by LRPCE to European Council 2025

- The European Council takes note and approves the Guidelines and Recommendations for International Director candidates from the Constitutional Area of Europe.

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

4.5 **Resolution 5** Application by LRPCE on behalf of the Lions Academy Europe to European Council 2025

- The European Council approves the Status Report with Appendices by the Lions Academy Europe for the fiscal year 2024-2025.

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

4.6 **Resolutions 6 - 10** Applications by MD 103 France to European Council 2025

- The European Council approves the Reports and Minutes from Europa Forum 2024 Bordeaux
- Resolution 6: European Council I
- Resolution 7: European Council II
- Resolution 8: European Council III

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

- Resolution 9: Financial Report

Not voting on at this time

- Resolution 10: Final Report

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

4.7 **Resolution 11** Application by MD 108 Italy to European Council 2025

- The European Council takes note and approves the Status Report submitted by the Lifeability Working group on its activities since their creation at the Europa Forum Bordeaux 2024

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

4.8 **Resolution 12** Application by the LRCP on behalf of the Peace Working Group to European Council 2025

- Approval of the Regulation of the Working Group for Peace and the creation of the European Peace Ambassador Award

A hardcopy of the changes made at EC 1 was provided

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

4.9 **Resolution 13** Application by MD 111 Germany to European Council 2025

- The European Council approves to increase the prize money for the Lions European Music Competition Thomas Kuti (LEMC) at the Europa Forums from a total of €10,000 to €15,000, effective from the Europa Forum 2026 in Karlsruhe.

The following discussion was paraphrased for clarity:

- MD105 Great Britain, CC Stuart Young -- questions the value of the extra €5,000 increase.
- D132 North Macedonia, Andreja Stojkovski – questions the value of the increase and reminds of promises of support that were made by some Multiple Districts and reminds of the need to make the Forum more affordable and accessible to all Lions.
- MD111 Germany, PID Barbara Grewe – states that it is not about the cost of the music competition, not for the organization, not for the jury, it is about the prize money for the young musicians.
- Forum Archivist & Advisor PID Miklós Horváth – stresses the importance of duly recognizing young musicians, that in fact the fee has not been raised for many years, but clarifies that on one hand the increase is justified, but on the other hand it may make it difficult for smaller Districts to organize a Forum.
- MD117 Greece and Cyprus, Marios Thalassetis – states that given the world's financial situation, it would be better to increase the amount of €5,000 for the musicians and let the Districts that organize the Europa Forum find the sponsors to cover the expenses.

- D124 Romania, Alexandru G Grigorovici – states that times are changing for everyone, so why not raising other fees, like the Young Ambassador Award.
- D132 North Macedonia, Andreja Stojkovski -- if raising the budget by €5,000, 500 people will have to pay €10 more in registration fees; and the forum becomes less attractive and less affordable for everyone
- D119 Hungary, János Hunyadi – for small Districts the figure €5,000 is not a small amount, it was the profit of EF Klagenfurt.

No other questions, remarks – the discussion to Resolutions 6 - 10 is closed.

4.10 **Resolution 14** (EMERGENCY) Application by LRPCE to European Council 2025

- Support the decision of the Executive Officers and the Board of Directors by which they unanimously endorsed PID Robert RETTBY, MD 102 Switzerland, as the candidate for the position of International Third Vice President of the Association at the 2026 Hong Kong, CHINA International Convention.

No questions, remarks, comments, discussion

Forum President PID Teresa Dineen announces that PID Daniel Isenrich will speak to us on voluntary contributions, which is not on the agenda, to put some clarity on issues:

- Europa Forum Financial Controller PID Daniel Isenrich – The EF in Zagreb 2021 adopted Voluntary Contribution fund authorizing the Forum Archivist and Advisor to request voluntary contributions from European member countries, to maintain the registration fee below €300 for the first 1,000 registrations. For the fiscal year 2025/2026 approximately €50,000 from Germany, Italy and Switzerland only. If the available money for an organizing country is really stretched by this €5,000, the voluntary contribution fund can be used for things like this.
- MD105 Great Britain CC Stuart Young – one cannot mix a financial update with an already passed resolution.
- D132 North Macedonia, Andreja Stojkovski – again stresses the importance of making the forum accessible for all Lions, making it as good and open as possible for all.

Forum Archivist & Advisor PID Miklós Horváth -- reminds everyone that the discussion on this resolution is closed and no more remarks are welcome and that there will be a session this afternoon where everyone is welcome to bring their ideas and opinions on making the Europa Forum better, which is what everyone aspires to.

Forum President PID Teresa Dineen announces the voting session for Saturday and closes the discussion session at 10:16h.

PID Teresa Dineen
Forum President

Karl Ó Broin
Forum Secretary

Meeting Minutes prepared by Lion Monika Darwiche, Secretary D 114-Ost / Austria.