



Monday, 4th of September 2017

Dear Member,

Welcome to edition number 50 of the newsletter of Stand Up for Europe.

Save the Date !

The Munich organizing committee is happy to invite you to our next Stand Up for Europe Convention which will take place from Nov 3rd till November 5th in Munich at Hochschule für Philosophie, Ka ulbachstr. 31a 80539 Munich

Register and find the agenda [by clicking here !](#)

[Click here](#) for the Facebook event!

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1) Next events

° Join the **Brussels team** at the ULB university on the **11th of October** for a conference on the relaunch of the

European project with the participation of P. Lamberts and J. Quatremer, find out [more here!](#)

◦ Join our team in **Rome** on the **16th of September** at "Sede LIDU ONLUS -Piazza dell'Ara Coeli 12" for an event on "Let's write together a draft of a possible European Constitution!"

◦ Join our team in **London** on the **9th of September** at the "Peoples march for Europe" at 11 h !



2) Our Support Committee broadens !

Alain Lamassoure

- Born in 1944, former student of the ENA, he starts his career as high official in 1968 as auditor at the Court of Audits.
- He got various responsibilities under the Pompidou and Giscard d'Estaing governments: mission to the ministry of cultural affairs, then technical advisor to the ministry of Finances first and to the ministry of Equipment between 1974 and 1978. He became technical advisor of the President Giscard d'Estaing until 1981.
- Elected at the national assembly in 1986, 1989, 1993 and 1995, he entered the government of Balladur as minister for European affairs. In 1995, he was nominated minister of the Budget and spokesperson of the Juppé government.
- He is now MEP and member of the EPP (European People's Party) since 2004. He presided the committee responsible for the budget of the EP between 2009 and 2014. He is currently member of the committee for constitutional affairs. He uses there his knowledge from the European Convention from 2002 and 2003.



Henri Malosse

- Born in 1954, at 16 he learnt Polish, Russian and German.
- He got graduated from Sciences Po Paris in 1976 and from Munich in 1979.
- He contributed to the creation of the Assembly of the French trade and industry chambers to the European Union. He then took its presidency 6 years later.
- He created the association of small and medium size enterprises (SME) at the European Parliament.
- From 1995 onwards, he started working at the European economic and social committee (ECSC). He became its President in 2013.
- He is the author of more than 50 reports and many books.
- In October 2014, Henri received the national order of the Legion of Honor from the former French President, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing in Brussels.





Patrizia Toia

- She got graduated in Political Science at the University of Milan.
- She worked as Director of the Planning Service at Lombardy Region. She was then regional councillor in Lombardy.
- She was Member of the Chamber of Deputies and in 1996 she was elected at the Senate of the Republic.
- She held various institutional positions: Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs. In 1999 she was appointed Minister for European Affairs and Minister for Relations with Parliament.
- In 2004 she was elected at the European Parliament, confirmed in 2009 and 2014. Member of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S & D), she is Vice-Chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy. She is also member of the Delegation for relations with Belarus and the Delegation to the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly.
- In 2008, 2009 and 2016, she was the Rapporteur (ITRE Committee) for Reports concerning mainly the digital market and electronic communications.
- She is currently the Shadow rapporteur for the S&D for the Report "Digitising European Industry" at the ITRE Committee.



Franco Bassanini

- He is former Italian Cabinet Minister for Public Administration (1996-2001) and Professor of Constitutional Law.
- He is now Special Adviser to the Prime Minister, Chairman of Astrid Foundation and of the executive boards of Open Fiber Inc., and of CDP Reti Inc.(holding controlling Snam and Terna Inc.).
- He is Honorary Chairman of Long-Term Investors' Club.
- He has been Chairman of Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (2008-2015) and member of the Italian Parliament (1979-2006), of the ENA Executive Board, and of the Attali Committee.
- He is author of 19 books and 350 papers in constitutional law, public policies and finance.

3) What happened in our city-teams in August ?

1) Stand Up for Europe attended one of Europe's largest festivals, the "**Sziget festival**" which took place in Budapest.

Hundreds of thousands of Europeans enjoyed the exciting programs that Sziget Festivals offered. Our team in **Budapest** was present with a stand at the European meeting point, performing exciting and funny activities related to Europe while discussing European issues. Thank you for joining us numerously!

2) Our team in **Naples** held an event in Rome to show support to the EU with Forza Europa: "In movement for a European Italy"

3) **Monthly call** between the city-teams is taking place with the coordination of our Vice-President, Pietro de Matteis. This month with 8 teams attending.



4) Breaking achievements this month!

A) Merger of our **Berlin team with Europeans**:

"The board of "Europeans" decides that a change of the statutes of the association is to be worked out, that will result in a complete affiliation with the structures of the Stand Up for Europe. Until this has been done the association is acting like a part of Stand Up for Europe."

Please also read the article on the merger [by clicking here!](#)

For more information: Website: <http://europeans.eu> + Facebook : <https://www.facebook.com/europeans.ev/>

B) The Crowdfunding Initiative is launched !

Let's create an innovative pro-European platform: theActivist.eu !

You are following closely our movement and actions and as you know one of our main goal is to reconnect the European project with citizens at local level.

In order to do this even better and broader, we have decided to **create an online platform called "theActivist.eu"** capable of giving power to people who are willing to act in order to advance the European cause by connecting with others who share the same vision in their neighbourhood and, at the same time, at the European level.

To make this project a reality, **WE NEED YOU!** Indeed, we have just launched a **crowdfunding campaign** on Ulule in order to gather large support for the platform and to allow people to contribute for the financing. We have estimated the total cost to be around 15.000€ and we would need to collect at least 7.500€ to make sure we have a great tool for our network of local activist and existing city-teams.

We would be so thankful if you could contribute, even a little, and we have prepared very nice rewards for you, in addition to a special thanks on our Facebook page and website! Don't hesitate to share the page with your own network ...

[Click here to help us !](#)



5) Stand Up has already accomplished a lot!

- Constitution of a Support Committee composed of over 95 people from a number of different areas (including art, culture, entrepreneurs, politics, science, etc.) who will promote Stand Up's project.
- Growing the number of members (already over 1200!)
- Developing our movement on social media (already more than 116 000 followers on Facebook!)
- Drafting several thematic text on the key issues of our movement

- A strategic partnership with the European Society for Defence to promote a common European defence policy
- Sending out monthly newsletters
- Creating an Editorial Committee to write Op'eds and tickets in the press
- Creating partnerships with other pro-European groups, and media focused on European affairs (Vox Europ and Euractiv)
- Creation of the Students for Europe university groups/societies
- Launching local Stand Up chapters
- Organising conferences and debates
- Creating the Nouvel Européen (www.lenouveleuropeen.be), an e-magazine aiming to promote the advantages of a European federation for citizens through fictional articles inspired by current affairs
- Creating Europe Today (<http://www.europetoday.ml>), an online magazine with various articles on key European topics
- Launching the European Youth Meetings (EYM)
- Preparing a citizen's initiative on the refugee crisis, with the goal of getting over a million signatures so that the proposal can be debated by the European Parliament
- Working with BOZAR to create a work of art uniting 27 European artists (one per country) which will symbolise European unity and solidarity, rich in its diversity
- Approaching other federalist movements, currently quite fragmented, inciting them to unite their forces to step up their presence in debates over the future of Europe

6) Follow the evolution of our movement!

Each month, you can find the big trends and stats of our movement by [clicking here !](#)

7) Reminder to pay your membership fee!

Dear member,

In order to carry on with our activities and reach the goals of our grassroots movement, Stand Up for Europe, needs your help. The membership fees are one of our key sources of funding.

That's why we are asking you, if you have not done so already, to please send in your membership as soon as you read this message.

That fee has been fixed at 28 € per member (5 € for students). You can pay through our website ([click here](#)) or by directly sending a



8) Join your city-team!

Dear member,

Our movement is growing fast thanks to the involvement of many people like you. We have set up city teams in many cities across Europe and initiatives are popping

transfer to the 001 7047618 62 (IBAN BE51 0017 0476 1862 and BIC GEBABEBB) account or directly by [Pay Pal here !](#)

We are confident that you understand the importance of the regular membership fees to continue the growth of our association.

We are extremely thankful for your support and your engagement. We couldn't succeed without you.

If you are interested in getting actively involved in our association (e.g.: opening a local chapter, joining our social media team,...), please contact us at info@standupforeurope.eu

up everywhere.

Are you ready to contribute to set up or reinforce the Stand Up for Europe team in your city ? If so join our slack channel [by clicking here !](#)

We are looking forward to seeing you active in your city team !

Should you have further questions, don't hesitate to contact us directly at: info@standupforeurope.eu

9) Le Nouvel Européen: the media to follow! **This month: The European Federation shaking the international order!**



"The European Federation shakes the established international order" published on the **7th of August 2017** in Le Nouvel Européen.

« We, the European people, accept and endorse the role which is devolved to us on the international plane as defenders of peace and world security. In these last years, the concretization of our project based on the reconciliation of peoples, the solidarity and the sharing of common values, must now serve as model, reference and an ideal whose vocation is to radiate and take root on the entire international community. »

To read the article, [click here !](#)

*Article from *Hélène Decottigny*, co-leader Brussels team and *Bàlint Gyévai*, Secretary General Stand Up for Europe



10) Stand Up trending in the media!

Stand Up in the German press again with an interview of Florian from the [Berlin team](#) made by Cafebabel at the Berlin pride on July 22.

Watch the intervention [here !](#)

11) The optimistic corner with Luc Simonet!

The Debates - remain barren when one does not participate with love



How many people spend part of their lives in meetings where they endlessly discuss the same projects without ever reaching an agreement! If they were able to show understanding and love to each other, But they come without love, they just criticize, contradict, oppose, and that's why they can not find a solution. Having mind and heart open, it may take up to five minutes to solve a problem, but without this opening, even after years of discussion, nothing happens.

Si vous rencontrez tellement de difficultés pour vous mettre d'accord avec les autres, il n'y a pas de quoi être tellement fier. If you encounter so much difficulty to agree with others, there is nothing to be so proud of. Réfléchissez à ce qui vous en empêche : n'est-ce pas justement que vous vous êtes fermé ? Think about what stops you: is it not precisely that you have closed? Mettez un peu plus d'amour dans votre cœur, votre compréhension en sera améliorée et les problèmes trouveront une solution. Put a little more love in your heart, your understanding will be improved and the problems will find a solution. Vous partirez tout heureux, étonné même que les choses se soient passées si simplement." You will leave all happy, astonished even that things happened so simply.

(Aivanhov)

To read more about [click here!](#)

Our team in Berlin during the Gay Pride in the city of Berlin on July 22!



We want your opinion !

If you have questions, ideas, complaints or compliments to send us, just reply to one of our articles. We would be more than happy to answer you.

Don't hesitate to react, because... we want to hear from you!

We reserve the right not to publish any comments that are offensive or that don't respect the principles of democratic pluralism. Comment is free within the limits of respect for the integrity of others and ideas.

Thank you for your support for Stand Up - you make this project live and grow !

See what's happening on our social sites

