



Monday July 3, 2017

Bonjour

Welcome to edition number 48 of the newsletter of Stand Up for Europe.

### Save the Date !

Dear member, the München Organizing Committee for the 2017 Convention is happy to invite you for our next Stand Up gathering the first weekend of November **in München**.

Therefore, please save the date for our next Convention:  
**3.Nov-5.Nov 2017 !**

More details will follow soon !

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#### 1) Our events in July and August:

##### - 1-2 July in Louvain la Neuve :

EU citizen democratization process with our President, Richard Laub. This event is launching: "Horizon European Elections 2019: two years to turn the EU to the citizens".  
More information [available here !](#)

Read our press release [here !](#)

##### - 22 July in Berlin:

Our team in Berlin is taking part to the Berlin Pride with a European Pride Truck on July 22. Join them at 11 am at Kurfürstendamm Avenue !  
More information [available here !](#)

##### - From 9 to 15 August 2017:

Join our team in Budapest at the Sziget Festival in the civil village. They will be waiting for you with: Quizzes, Huge Europe Painting, 3D European memes, Le Nouvel Européen, workshops with climate change experts, international journalists, EU-experts and many other interesting people ...  
More information [here !](#)

## 2) Our Support Committee broadens !

This month we host 4 new members:

- **Ornella Orlandoni** is from Italy but she studied in France, Great Britain, Italy and Belgium. She is **founding partner of ACTiWE Consultants**, Ornella spent many years as a director of Italian Cultural Institutes and as coordinator for cultural, scientific and technological agreements and inter-university cooperation at the General Directorate of the Americas and the General Directorate for Global Affairs of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.



- **Enrique Baron Crespo** is a Spanish politician (member of PSOE). He is a lawyer and economist. He is former Minister of the Spanish Government which achieved the adhesion to the EC. He was also Member and later **President of the European Parliament** from 1989 till 1992. He became then President of the Socialist group in the EP from 1999 to 2004. He wrote numerous books and articles. Amongst others, he published "La Era del federalismo" and "The Treaty of Lisbon Charter of Fundamental Rights".



- **Lorenzo Marsili** is a writer, political activist and the **cofounder of international NGO European Alternatives**. He is currently on the coordinating committee of DiEM25. A long-time student of China, he initiated a multi-year arts exchange program between cultural innovators in China, Brazil, and Europe, Transnational Dialogues. He has previously worked in setting up Transeuropa Festival and was founding editor of Naked Punch Magazine. He has degrees in philosophy and Chinese studies, and is an active commentator and public speaker internationally.



- **Jean-Guy Giraud** was successively **administrator of the European Parliament**, then advisor of the President, Secretary General of the Court of Justice and also of the Mediator of the EU and

Director of the Board of the European Parliament in France. Jean-Guy Giraud was also President of the Union of the European Federalists- France.



### 3) Stand Up is active in the different parts of the EU

Find here the different activities of Stand Up in pictures ! This month mobilisations took place in Brussels, Naples and München but also in Budapest, Bologna and Berlin.



### 4) Partnership with Go-Europe!

Stand Up for Europe is partnering the Go-Europe! attempt to cross the EU by different means and roads in order to give a positive image of the EU.

Check out our common press release [by clicking here !](#)

For more information, [click here !](#)

# GO EUROPE!

## 5) Stand Up has already accomplished a lot!

- Constitution of a Support Committee composed of over 85 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 1000!)
- Developing our movement on social media (already more than 113 000 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](http://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) Le Nouvel Européen : the media to follow ! This month: A letter to President Forsythe !



"A letter to President Forsythe !" - published on the 6th of June 2017 in Le Nouvel Européen.

" ... I am writing to you this letter, that you may read when you have the time... You might certainly have recognized the beginning of an old and beautiful song by Boris Vian. I dared to borrow his name and his shadow to ask you about the content of one of your last interventions as appeared in Nouvel Européen. "

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

## 7) Stand Up trending in the media !

The article on the "Euro-Dividend" by **Francois Denuit**, member of Stand Up for Europe was published on the 5th of June in "[Social Europe](#)".

"Choosing an ambitious social Europe via a Euro Dividend"

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



### **Stand Up for Europe greets the memory of a great European Federalist**

Read our press release on the death of Helmut Kohl, former German Chancellor aged 87 when sadly passed away on the 16th of June !

Our press release [is available here](#) !



## **8) Follow the evolution of our movement!**

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

## **9) 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 transfer to the 001 7047618 62 (IBAN BE51 0017 0476 1862 and BIC GEBABEBB) account.

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](mailto:info@standupforeurope.eu)

Sincerely,

Bálint Gyévai  
Secretary General

Richard Laub  
President

Pietro de Matteis  
Vice-President



## 10) 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 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](mailto:info@standupforeurope.eu)



**Who are you to judge the life I live ? I know I'm not perfect and I don't live to be, but before you start pointing fingers, make sure your hands are clean.**

**(Bob Marley)**

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 !

**The Stand Up for Europe team:** <http://standupforeurope.eu/>

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