



Tuesday, 1st of August 2017

Dear Member,

Welcome to edition number 49 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

More details about the agenda and the venue will soon follow.

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

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1) Our events in August

°Join our team in **Paris** for their summer meetings

on **August 10** in the heart of Paris in the famous "Tuileries gardens" at 19 h 30. [More information here.](#)

◦ Join our team in **Budapest** at the Sziget Festival in the civil village from **August 9 to 15!**



2) Our Support Committee broadens !

Olivier Vadrine

-He got an International ExecutiveMBA degree at the International School of Management (ISM) in Paris.

- He is academic teacher, researcher, journalist, conference speaker – lecturer on behalf of the European Commission until 2014.

- Adviser about Ukraine of Henri Malosse when he was the President of the European Economic and Social Committee (2013-2015).

- Since 2015, he is expert member of the Academic Center of the Assembly of European Regions, Strasbourg, France.

- Since June 2015 – Member of Expert Board, Center for Army, Conversion and Disarmament Studies (CACDS), Ukraine.

- Since 2016, he is the editor in chief of Ruski Monitor: <http://rusmonitor.com/>



Michel Caillouet

- He studied economy in Paris, Pantheon University.

- He joined the European Commission in 1975, working for EU common agricultural policy budget, food aid, political and economic cooperation with Latin America, energy policies.

- In 1996, he was appointed EU Ambassador in South East Asia (Bangkok), then South Asia (New Delhi).

- He was European Commission Ambassador for the COPS (EU political cooperation), and the first EU Ambassador accredited to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

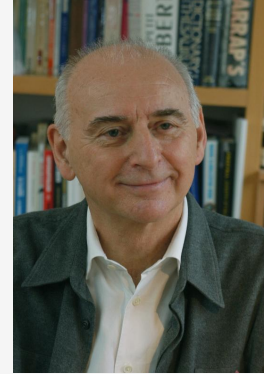
- Since his retirement, he has been very active within various European associations (Mouvement Européen, Union des Fédéralistes, European Federalist Party, Stand up for Europe)





Dr Anja Fabiani

- She is Minister plenipotentiary at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia.
- Her PhD thesis at the University of Nova Gorica is about soft / smart power and leadership. She has published a scientific monograph about the topic and is active on research field.
- She is a national coordinator of ALDE Individual members for Slovenia. Anja Fabiani is the honour president of Agency for Cultural Diplomacy in Vienna.



Michel Dévoluy

- Professor in economics at university of Strasbourg (now emeritus).
- Holder of a Jean Monnet Chair since 2000, he has been largely concerned by the monetary integration process.
- He created the "observatory of economical policies in Europe" with a colleague in 1998 and has been the editor of its biannual Bulletin since then.
- From 1999 to 2007 he was Director of the Institute of higher European studies of Strasbourg.

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

- 1) Meeting in **Brussels** at the European History House between some representatives of our teams from **Lisbon, Rome and Brussels**.
- 2) Meeting in **Belgrade** between some representatives of our teams from **Torino and London**.
- 3) **Monthly call** between the city-teams is taking place with the coordination of our Vice-President, Pietro de Matteis. This month with 11 teams attending.
- 4) Faedran Bourhani from the **Antwerp** team was in **Cluny** for a seminar on Democracy:

"It was a warm summer's day when a group of complete strangers from all over Europe met in a University of a small French town named Cluny. As the strangers learned more about the workings of local democracy, they themselves started growing closer to each other and in the process, were confronted with some obstacles of



contemporary democracy. They decided to stand up and get to work and during the following days they became a group of close friends who made an effort to contribute their small part to the democracy of Europe."



4) Breaking achievements this month!



A I A C E

1) 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."

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

2) Creation of the "**Friends of Stand Up for Europe fund**":

Thanks to the great work of Alain Deneef and Romain Gustot, our fundraising team, the Commission of proximity philanthropy approved our application for the Creation of the "**Friends of Stand Up for Europe fund**". This fund will allow people from Belgium to deduce their donation to us from their taxes. We strongly thank our 2 sponsors, Alexis Van den Abeele and Roland Vaxelaire, their support made it happen. We are also launching the process to get this same advantage at EU level with the "**Transnational Giving Fund**". Don't hesitate to donate from Belgium and hopefully soon from all over the EU.

3) We are glad to announce our partnership with **AIACE**:

AIACE is a network of former EU officials from the EU institutions. To learn more about this association,

[click here](#).

We thank Hubert Heine for leading this initiative and Dominique Deshayé for her important support.

5) Stand Up has already accomplished a lot!

- Constitution of a Support Committee composed of over 90 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 114 000 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 transfer to the 001 7047618 62 (IBAN BE51 0017 0476 1862 and BIC GEBABEBB) account or directly by [Pay Pal here !](#)



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 up everywhere.

Are you ready to contribute to set up or

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

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: Dinner at Merkel's!



"Dinner at Merkel's"- published on the **17th of July 2017** in Le Nouvel Européen.

"In her residence on Avenue Louise, Angela Merkel (the new President of the European Council) chooses the wines she will offer to her guests for the most famous dinner in the history of the European Union. At 8 o'clock, her two guests show up: Emmanuel Macron (President of the French Republic) and Jean-Claude Juncker (President of the European Commission)."

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



10) Stand Up trending in the media!

Stand Up in the German press with an article from Akilnathan from the [Münich team](#) published in the Huffington post on the 14th of July.

Read the article [in German here !](#)

11) Read more on the Eurozone:

The comments on the Eurozone published by P. Goldschmidt, member of our Support Committee are accessible [by clicking here !](#)





12) 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

