

Lions Clubs International  
Resolutions for consideration at Europa Forum – Klagenfurt 2023

## Resolution 7

APPLICATION by D 126 - Croatia to EUROPA FORUM 2023

Acceptance of the minutes of European Council  
meetings of the Europa Forum 2022 Zagreb

***To be voted***

Please see attached documents

Signed on,  
30<sup>th</sup> of July 2023

## **Lions Europa Forum Zagreb October 27-29, 2022**

### **Final report**

#### **1. General information**

The Lions Europa Forum has been held, according to the Rules of Procedure, during the last week of October – Thursday to Saturday 27-29.

Entire program and most of the events have happened in the forum Hotel Westin Zagreb, only the musical competition was done in the nearby Musical Academy of Zagreb, and the Host Night in the beautiful Lauba Hall for People and Arts, where the host provided bus transport for all participants.

Already on Wednesday, October 26, a lot of meetings have taken place, e.g. EF Supervisory board, Long Range Planning Committee, various Multiple Districts meetings, and also the regional UNODC meeting with main topic Lions Quest.

All the events according to the Rules of Procedure have been made, like Opening and Closing ceremonies, Europa Council I and II meetings along with the discussion meeting, three social events, Get-Together party, Host Night and Gala dinner.

The participants used the opportunity of booking different excursions and sight seeing tours offered by the host.

Also, most of the participants arriving by plane, used the offered transportations from the airport to their hotels and back.

The Lions Europa Forum 2022 had a positive financial result.

#### **2. Host Committee**

The host committee:

- PDG Dražen Melčić, Forum President
- DG Alek Konić, Forum Vice President
- PDG Dr. Darko Ćuruvija, Program Director
- Lion Slavica Olujić Klapčić, Forum Secretary
- Lion Predrag Samardžija, Forum Treasurer
- PID Bojan Šober, Thomas Kuti LEMC
- Lion Ana Yael Prelog, Bert Mason Young Ambassador Competition
- DS Zlatko Janković Miloš, Forum Operating Officer
- Lion Filip Stipančić, Europa Council
- LCIF DC Željko Gucunski, Europa Council
- Lion Mladen Kovaček, Welcome Desk
- Lion Ilijana Palčec, Opening/Closing Ceremony
- Lion Vesna Boinović Grubić, Forum Accounting



Lion Barbara Milčić, Youth Exchange  
Lion Đurđa Protić, Catering  
Many Volunteering Lions and Leos from many clubs

### 3. Supervisory Committee

ID Mats Granath, President, designee of International President  
PID Phil Nathan, Forum Archivist and Adviser  
PCC Peter Brandenburg, Forum Accountant  
PID Daniel Isenrich, Accountant Assistant  
PDG Dražen Melčić, Forum President  
PDG Dr. Darko Ćuruvija, Forum Program Director  
PID Dr. Walter Zemrosser, Forum 2023 President  
Lion Markus Tschischej, Forum 2023 Program Director

Beginning with the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting on the last day of the Europa Forum in Thessaloniki, the Forum Supervisory Committee has held all together 13 meetings, including the site inspection meeting March 25-27 in Zagreb and the final meeting also in Zagreb the day before Forum start. Besides the 3 live meetings, all the other 10 meeting were conducted on-line.

Besides the Supervisory Committee members, there were always members of the host committee, reporting about progress in their areas of responsibility.

### 4. Participants

All together there were 703 Forum fee paying participants, from 52 countries from all over the World.

After the Pandemic influenced travel restriction in years before the Forum, finally the travelling was possible, so we were happy to welcome almost the entire executive board with

IP Brian Sheehan and spouse Lori  
IPIP Douglas X Alexander  
1<sup>st</sup> VIP Patti Hill

Also, all the 6 European International Directors attended the Forum:

Elena Appiani  
Teresa Dineen  
Mats Granath  
Barbara Grewe  
Pirkko Vihavainen  
Jürg Vogt



Also, a lot of other Lions high officers participated at the Forum, PID's, CC's, PCC's, DG's, PDG's and so on.

## 5. Opening and Closing Ceremonies

Opening and closing ceremony was structured, in content and timing, according recommendation of the Rules of Procedures.

At the opening ceremony first the forum president PDG Dražen Melčić has addressed the participants, and after him also Governor of the host District Alek Konić, and final welcome and greetings were provided by International President Brian Sheehan.

Also, on behalf of the Croatian Government Mr. Goran Grlić Radman, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Republic Croatia, and on behalf of the city of Zagreb Dr. Sc. Luka Korlaet, Deputy Mayor of Zagreb have addressed and welcomed all participants.

Vice president of the Special Olympics, David Evangelista has held a memorable motivational key note speech.

In the Opening ceremony the following candidates for higher offices at LCI took the opportunity to present themselves:

- PCC Daniel Kubin from Turkey for the office of International Director;
- PCC Kristinn Hannesson (presented by PIP Gudrun Yngvadottir) from Iceland for the office of International Director;
- PID Svein Berntsen from Norway for the office of International President;
- PID Mark Lyon from the USA for the office of International President.

In the Closing Ceremony first the International Director and president of the Forum Supervisor Committee ID Mats Granath addressed the audience.

President of the Bert Mason Young Ambassador Award Committee, Dieter Van Hoyer has presented the winners out of total 8 participants from 8 countries, of the competition at Forum in Zagreb:

Introduced by PID Bojan Šober, from the host committee in charge for the LEMC Thomas Kuti, Ingo Brookmann presented the winners of the competition:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place Darija Auguštan from Croatia
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place

opportunity to introduce themselves was given to the candidate for 3<sup>rd</sup> international vice president PID Mark Lyon, to the certified candidate for 3<sup>rd</sup> international vice president PID Svein Berntsen and to candidates for the office of International Director, to be elected at the LCI Convention 2023 in Boston:

PIP Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada presented the work of LCIF and major donors.

PDG Dražen Melčić, Forum President

DG Alek Konić, Forum Vice President



Mr. Goran Grlić Radman, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Republic Croatia  
Dr. Sc. Luka Korlaet, Deputy Mayor of Zagreb  
... and others.

PID Mark Lyon to presented in an on-line address his candidacy for the office of 3<sup>rd</sup> vice international president.

Also, PID Svein Berntsen, as certified candidate, presented his candidacy for the office of 3<sup>rd</sup> vice international president.

## 6. Forum Program

The Forum Program had nearly 100 sessions, workshops and presentations from all areas of Lionism.

It was structured according to directions and recommendations from the Forum Rules of Procedures.

The program started already on Wednesday, October 26, with diverse business sessions like Forum Supervisory Board and LRPC meetings, meetings of GAT team, multiple districts and a remarkable Lions Quest regional meeting hosted by UNODC.

The main three Forum days, Thursday-Saturday, October 27-29, were filled with a lot of sessions.

All the executive officers had the opportunity to address the participant and share their thoughts.

A lot of Lions valuable activities of European Lions were presented in numerous sessions.

Youth Exchange MD and District officers had the opportunity to meet and present their youth camps.

Both youth competitions, LEMC Thomas Kuti and Young Ambassador competition Bert Mason were held successfully.

The three Europa Council meetings were held successfully and with valid conclusions and voting (separate report)

The program has comprised the opening and closing ceremonies.

One of the highlights was the Special Olympics tournament of three countries, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Slovenia, held in the Crystal Hall of the Forum hotel.



The entire Forum program is enclosed to this report.

## 7. LEMC Thomas Kuti

PID Bojan Šober, Lion Ingo Brookmann.

Celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the music competition Thomas Kuti and the final 6 concert has taken place at the Zagreb Music Academy, situated only few hundred meters from the Forum Hotel.

This year the “instrument” was the voice, and therefore the competitors age limit has been exceptionally increased, meaning the 26<sup>th</sup> birthday had to be in 2022 or later.

We had 16 competitors from the same number of countries sponsored by following MD's and Districts:

MD-102 Switzerland-Liechtenstein, MD-103 France, MD-108 Italy, MD-110 Netherlands, MD-111 Germany, MD-112 Belgium, MD-114 Austria, MD-115 Portugal, MD 117 Greece-Cyprus, MD-118 Turkey, D-113 Luxembourg, D-120 Estonia, D-126 Croatia, D-130 Bulgaria, D-131 Lithuania, D-132 North Macedonia.

The laureates were:

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> place | Darija Auguštan, Croatia   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> place | Heldur Harry Pold, Estonia |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> place | Matteo Mancini, Italy      |

The prize money for the 3 winners along with the all costs for the jurors has been paid shortly after the Forum ended.

## 8. Bert Mason Young Ambassador Competition

Lions Dieter Van Hoyer and Ana Yael Prelog were in charge for the organization of this competition.

We had 8 competitors from the following countries:

Turkey, Ireland, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Romania, Austria, Croatia.

The winners were:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> place | Nisa Naz Sevinc from Turkey |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> place | Kendra Watson from Ireland  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> place | Julie Gielen from Belgium   |

The prize money was paid immediately after the Forum ended.

## 9. Lions Youth Exchange

## 10. Social Events



During the Forum we had 3 evening social events.

It started on Thursday, October 27, in the evening with a short get-together party on the 17<sup>th</sup> floor of the Forum hotel, with finger food, drinks and music.

On the second day's evening, Friday, October 28, we had the host night "Croatian pARTty" with folklore performance, art gallery, finger food, drinks and dancing music, held in the hall Lauba (we have organized bus transfers from and to hotels for all the participants).

In the final evening, Saturday, October 29, we had the traditional Gala dinner, at the Forum hotel, with over 700 guests. The dinner and drinks were served at tables, the guests had the opportunity to hear the LEMC Thomas Kuti laureates singing again, and a music band provided a good atmosphere for dancing.

## 11. Agora

The Forum hotel Lobby was the place used for the booths, where all the participants passed through frequently.

We had 8 booths with following paying users:

- LCIF
- New Voices
- MD 103 France
- MD 108 Italy
- MD 114 Austria
- D-124 Romania
- D-126 Croatia
- LC Lenuci Zagreb

## 12. Europa Council

All the 3 sessions of the Europa Council were held according to the Rules of procedures.

The Europa Council I session was held on Thursday, October 27, where all the submitted motions, the candidates for Europa Forum Offices (new 5-years-term for the offices of Archivist and Adviser as well as for Accountant) and host candidates for future forums were presented.

On the Europa Council discussion session on Friday, October 28 all the delegates had the opportunity to ask questions and get explanations and clarifications about all the motions to be voted upon.

At the final Europa Council II session, the delegates have voted about all the motions.



The minutes of all the three Europa Council session is enclosed to this report.

### 13. Financial Statement

The Lions Europa Forum Zagreb 2022 had overall financially positive result, reached without any sponsoring from the European member countries.

The main income categories were the participants fees, hotel rooms/lunches and social events payments by the participants. In a smaller amount we had sponsoring from Croatian Lions and the Zagreb Tourist Board.

Here are the figures according the structure from the Rules of Procedure:

#### EUROPA FORUM FINAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

2022  
67th Forum - Zagreb

<b>Participants</b>	participants	fee
Registered Persons	703	290,00 €
<b>Total</b>		

A	Income	€	%
1	Participants Fees	198.403,34	37,6%
2	Social Events	142.212,49	26,9%
3	Hotel 1)	156.082,02	29,6%
4	Voluntary Contribution		0,0%
5	Contribution from the Lions of the Host Country	4.183,16	0,8%
6	Sponsoring in liquid money	13.272,28	2,5%
7	Agora	12.860,67	2,4%
8	Other Income	811,04	0,2%
9	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>527.825,00</b>	<b>100%</b>
B	Expenses		
1	Hotel Costs 2)	145.445,39	27,9%
2	Get Together party	21.394,92	4,1%
3	Coffee breaks	3.848,96	0,7%
4	Lunches	24.507,27	4,7%
5	Gala Dinner	33.437,39	6,4%
6	Host Night Party	55.033,45	10,6%
7	VIPS Hospitality	11.837,05	2,3%
8	European Musical interpretation prize; Young Ambassador Competition	32.912,20	6,3%
9	Agora	4.942,27	0,9%
10	Photo, Video	2.925,87	0,6%
11	Commission paid for getting sponsorship		0,0%
12	Organization fees	22.554,25	4,3%
13	Flowers, Decorations, Gifts, Forum T-shirts, scarves, ties	12.854,75	2,5%
14	Banking Costs	4.026,64	0,8%
15	Phone, Mail, Photocopies		0,0%
16	Transportation during the preparation & on the Forum	25.904,74	5,0%
17	Rental Fees: Forum Venue, Facilities & Equipment	50.881,11	9,8%
18	Simultaneous Translations	22.981,58	4,4%
19	Office Supplies, Secretariat, Registration, Medical & Security service		0,0%
20	Translations other than simultaneous	3.517,15	0,7%
21	Printing: Brochures, Registration Form, Travel Information, Forum Documents	15.451,44	3,0%
22	Other Expenses incl VAT payment (Internet site, Design, Promotion)	26.988,42	5,2%
23	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>521.444,85</b>	<b>100%</b>
C	<b>Net result or (deficit)</b>	<b>6.380,15</b>	

May 4, 2023





#### 14. Conclusion

We can say that it was a very successful Forum, exceeding the expectations of the most participants in all aspects:

- Very interesting presentations, workshops and sessions;
- Presence of the most LCI high officers;
- Interesting guest speakers;
- Successful Europa Council meetings;
- Successful LEMC Thomas Kuti and Bert Mason Young Ambassador competitions;
- Successful Youth Exchange presentations and bazaar;
- Nice and amusing social events;
- Good overall organization of the conference and participant transport;
- Slightly positive overall result;
- All requested refunds by a number of participants for not participating have been paid back.

We, the host committee believes it was a memorable event for all the participants.

PDG Dražen Melčić  
Forum President

## EUROPA COUNCIL I

Thursday, October 27, 2022, 14:00-15:30h, Hotel Westin, Crystal Ballroom ½

### MINUTES IF THE MEETING

Chairperson	PDG Dražen MELČIĆ	D 126 Croatia
General Secretary	Slavica OLUJUIĆ KLAPČIĆ	D 126 Croatia
IP Representative	ID Mats GRANATH	MD 101 Sweden
Archivist & Advisor	PID Phil NATHAN	MD 105 British Isles
Assistant advising on accounts	PID Daniel Isenrich	MD 111 Germany
Vice Chairperson	PID Mag. Dr. jur. Walter Zemrosser	MD 114 Austria
International Director	Elena Appiani	MD 108 Italy
International Director	Teresa Dineen	D 133 Ireland
International Director	Barbara Grewe	MD 111 Germany
International Director	Pirkko Vihavainen	MD 107 Finland
International Director	Jürg Vogt	MD 102 Switzerland/Liechtenstein

Language: Simultaneous Translation

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

1. Call to order;  
Forum President PDG Dražen Melčić has called to order the meeting at 14:10h
2. Opening by PDG Dražen MELČIĆ, President of Europa Forum 2022  
Forum President PDG Dražen Melčić has opened the Europa Council I Meeting by greeting and welcoming all attending executive officers, Europa Forum Member delegates and all the Lions attending.
3. Credentials – Slavica Olujić KLAPČIĆ, Forum Secretary;  
Forum Secretary Lion Slavica Olujić Klapčić has asked the meeting assistants PDG Drako Curuvija, Lion Filip Stipančić and Lion Željko Gucunski to collect the attendance lists with signatures of participating Member delegates.  
28 Member delegates are present, out of total 41.  
Delegate from North Macedonia has joined later, so total number of delegates at this meeting is 29.

### Presentations of proposals:

4. (1) Approval of the minutes of the EF 2021 Thessaloniki;  
PID George Papas has presented the Minutes of the EF 2021 Thessaloniki, earlier shared by mail to all EF members by Forum President PDG Dražen Melčić, and asked the Council for approval.  
As to the financial reports approval, and due to regrettably passing away of Forum Accountant PCC Peter Brandenburg, PID George Papas proposed that the financial reports of EF Thessaloniki should be reviewed at the EC meeting during the EF 2023 in Klagenfurt.
5. (2) Report of the Accountant of EF 2021 Thessaloniki;  
As the forum financials couldn't been audited due to reason mentioned under point 4., Forum President PDG Drazen Melcic financial reports of EF Thessaloniki should be reviewed at the EC meeting during the EF 2023 in Klagenfurt.
6. (3) Presentation of candidacy – MD 103 France, Forum Accountant;



After Forum President PDG Melcic has invited the candidate of MD 103 France for the Forum Accountant, PDG Jean Paul Feldman to present himself, the candidate refused it. Still, the candidacy remained valid.

7. (4) Presentation of candidacy – MD 108 Italy, Forum Accountant;  
Candidate of MD 108 Italy, PID Roberto Fresia, has presented himself in a short address.
8. (5) Presentation of candidacy – MD 111 Germany, Forum Accountant;  
Candidate of MD 111 Germany, PID Daniel Isenrich, has presented himself in a short address.
9. (6) Presentation of candidacy – MD 105 British Isles, Forum Archivist and Advisor;  
CC Alastair Joel has presented the candidate of MD 105 British Isles, PID Phil Nathan, in a short address. The candidate PID Phil Nathan has also presented himself in a short address.
10. (7) Presentation of candidacy – D 119 Hungary, Forum Archivist and Advisor;  
Candidate of D 119 Hungary, PID Miklos Horvath, has presented himself in a short address.
11. (8) Proposal Emergency Resolution 1 – LRPCE, EF Cancellation Policy;  
PID Daniel Isenrich has presented and explained the Emergency resolution 1, EF Cancellation policy, proposed for adoption by the Long-Range Planning Committee.
12. (9) Proposal Emergency Resolution 2 – LRPCE, Amendm. to App. I of EF ROP – responsibilities of LRPCE;  
PID Phil Nathan, Archivist and Adviser of the Europa Forum has presented and explained the Emergency Resolution 2, Amendm. to App. I of EF ROP, proposed by the Long-Range Planning Committee.
13. (10) Presentation of candidacy – D133 Ireland, Bid to Host EF, Dublin 2025;  
IPDG Ann Allis and 1stVDG Kevin Harty have presented the bid to host EF in Dublin in 2025, have showed a promotional video, and invited to participate.
14. (11) Presentation of candidacy – MD111 Germany, Bid to Host EF, Karlsruhe 2026;  
CC Jurgen Waterstradt has presented the bid to host EF in Karlsruhe 2026, has showed a promotional video, and invited to participate.
15. Any Other Business;  
No proposals for any other business.  
Forum President PDG Drazen Melcic mentioned that any proposals will be accepted only if submitted until the end of this day.
16. Closing by PDG Dražen MELČIĆ, President of Europa Forum 2022.  
Forum President PDG Drazen Melcic has adjourned the meeting at 14:48h

Slavica Olujić Klapčić  
Forum Secretary

PDG Dražen Melčić  
Forum President

## EUROPA COUNCIL II

**Friday, October 29, 2022, 09:00-10:30h, Hotel Westin, Crystal Ballroom 1/2**

Chairperson	PDG Dražen MELČIĆ	D 126 Croatia
General Secretary	Slavica OLUJUIĆ KLAPČIĆ	D 126 Croatia
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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 has called to order the meeting at 09:00h
2. Opening by PDG Dražen MELČIĆ, President of Europa Forum 2022  
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.";
3. Credentials – Slavica Olujic KLAPČIĆ, Forum Secretary  
On the Europa Council II session there are 32 voting members.
4. (12) Presentation of Emergency Resolution Proposal 3 by LRPCE – PID Phil Nathan  
PID Phil Nathan has presented the Emergency Resolution Proposal 3, proposed by Long Range Planning Committee of Europe.  
PID Walter Zemrosser, President of Europa Forum 2023:



"Proposes that the Resolution should have validity immediately upon voting, and not as per July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, as it's voluntarily.

PDG Andrea Stojkovski:

"Support for the motion, with immediate validity"

PID George Papas:

"Support of the motion with immediate validity"

PID Svein Berntsen:

"If there is a new proposal, it should be discussed"

PID Elien Van Dille:

"is the contribution proposal per member country or per each member?"

PID Phil Nathan:

"It's per each member".

PDG Drazen Melcic:

"it's applying not only for small member countries but for all member countries. It will be added that it's meant for each member.

PID Phil Nathan:

"There was another topic, that members from smaller countries would suffer from visa costs."

PDG Drazen Melcic:

"The wording of the proposal should be amended that the resolution should be valid as per edn of this Forum".

#### **Voting on proposals and candidacies:**

##### **Explanation of voting rules**

PDG Drazen Melcic, Forum President, explains the rules for voting.

1<sup>st</sup> voting rule applies for voting "yes" (green card), "no" (red card) or "abstained" (white card).

2<sup>nd</sup> voting rule applies for voting for open Europa Forum Offices, Forum Accountant and Forum Archivist and Adviser. There will be a voting list with candidates' names to be voted upon, for each of the two open positions.

Forum President PDG Drazen Melcic announced that the candidate of MD 103 France has withdrawn his candidacy, so there will be only two candidates to be voted upon, from MD 108 Italy and from MD 111 Germany

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

Unanimously 32 delegate votes "yes"

**The proposal was adopted**

6. (2) Report of the Accountant of EF 2021 Thessaloniki, approval to be postponed to the Europa Forum 2023 in Klagenfurt;

Unanimously 32 delegate votes "yes"

**The proposal was adopted**

7. (4, 5) voting on election of Forum Accountant;

The counting of voting has shown the following result:

PID Roberto Fresia: 14 votes

PID Daniel Isenrich: 18 votes

**PID Daniel Isenrich has been elected to be the Europa Forum Accountant for the next 5-years-mandate.**



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8. (6, 7) voting on elections of Forum Archivist and Advisor;  
The counting of voting has shown the following result:  
PID Phil Nathan: 13 votes  
PID Miklos Horwath: 19 votes  
**PID Miklos Horwath has been elected to be the Europa Forum Archivist and Advisor for the next 5-years-mandate.**
9. (8) voting on Proposal Emergency Resolution 1 – LRPCE, EF Cancellation Policy;  
Unanimously 32 delegate votes “yes”  
**The proposal was adopted**
10. (9) voting on Proposal Emergency Resolution 2 – LRPCE, Amendm. to App. I of EF ROP – responsibilities of LRPCE;  
Voting results:  
Unanimously 32 delegate votes “yes”  
**The proposal was adopted**
11. (12) voting on Emergency Proposal 3 by LRPCE  
28 votes “yes”  
2 votes “no”  
2 votes “abstained”  
**The proposal was adopted**
12. (10) voting on candidacy – D133 Ireland, Bid to Host EF, Dublin 2025;  
31 votes “yes”  
1 vote “no”  
**The proposal was adopted.**
13. (11) voting on candidacy – MD111 Germany, Bid to Host EF, Karlsruhe 2026;  
Unanimously 32 delegate votes “yes”  
**The proposal was adopted**
14. Closing by PDG Dražen MELČIĆ, President of Europa Forum 2022.  
The Europa Council meeting II was adjourned at 10:15h

Slavica Olujić Klapčić  
Forum Secretary

PDG Dražen Melčić  
Forum President

## EUROPA COUNCIL Discussions

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

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#### Discussion about proposals:

3. (1) Approval of the minutes of the EF 2021 Thessaloniki;  
No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
4. (2) Report of the Accountant of EF 2021 Thessaloniki;  
No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
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;



- No questions, remarks, comments, discussion.
7. (5) Presentation of candidacy – MD 111 Germany, Forum Accountant;  
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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;  
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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