

DRAFT MINUTES

Venue: Convention Centre Dublin

Session: Opening**Friday, 6 December 2024, 14:30 – 15:00**

Speakers:

Mélanie Vogel, EGP Co-chair

Thomas Waitz, EGP Co-chair

Roderic O’Gorman, Party Leader of the Irish Greens

The master of ceremony Cristiona Kiely welcomes everyone to Dublin, as well as the audience online. She introduces the channels of communication and the Safety Team, and reminds everyone to use their badges throughout Congress.

She invites **Benedetta De Marte** on stage.

Benedetta De Marte asks the delegates to acknowledge the extension of the deadline for the candidacies for Committee Members. The Committee proposed the prolongation of the deadline for the candidacies by two weeks until 23rd October 2024 via email, no Member Party opposed. The delegates validate the extension by show of hands.

The host invites **Roderic O’Gorman**, party leader of the Irish Greens on stage and Co-chairs **Thomas Waitz** and **Mélanie Vogel** to give their speeches.

Roderic welcomes everyone to Dublin and notes the growth of the global Green movement since the last gathering here 20 years ago. He acknowledges setbacks in the recent Irish elections and the Irish Greens’ exit from government after four years, but highlights key achievements, including the Climate Change Act, progressive transport policies, solar power expansion, organic farming, and biodiversity laws. He emphasises that the Greens are particularly proud of their work on Ireland’s reduction in carbon emissions. Roderic praises Eamon Ryan’s leadership, particularly in negotiating environmental policies like those at COP29 in Baku. He also points to the rise of far-right movements and the increasing recognition of the climate crisis, positioning Greens as the party with a broader vision of a fair, just society. He mentions the Greens’ growing influence in Eastern Europe and GPEW’s recent successes as signs of hope.

Thomas reflects on the year since the Lyon Congress, noting growth in Central-Eastern Europe, the rebound of the French Greens in the last legislative elections, and recent success of GPEW. He also highlights the rise of the far right and the insecurity caused by climate change, including floods, droughts, the war in Ukraine, and the housing and cost of living crises. Thomas stresses that Greens offer solutions by promoting inclusive cities, sustainable industries, and good international relations. Despite differences within the movement, Greens share core values that make them the best advocates for social justice and environmental protection. He reminds that Greens who have been elected have responsibility towards voters and future generations, urging unity in the fight for a more just present and future.

Mélanie recalls the unity and determination of the EU elections campaign, aimed at securing a pro-European, pro-climate majority in the European Parliament. While the results were mixed, she highlights progress, including increased representation and stronger ties with civil society organizations (CSOs). She notes that Greens are the only party to successfully unite CSOs, small businesses, and trade unions to contribute to the creation of the electoral manifesto. Mélanie acknowledges the challenge of differing Green votes on the European Commission but stresses that the movement's strength lies in a shared goal of fighting the far right. She sees the backlash as a sign of success rather than failure and affirms her commitment to advancing women's rights, particularly mentioning her pledge to include abortion rights in France's constitution which has been fulfilled. "I don't have hope, I work", Mélanie is underscoring her belief in action over passive hope. She reminds that the European Union exists because people fought against all odds.

Regarding her decision not to seek re-election, Mélanie explains that after giving 150% to both the European Green Party (EGP) and the French Senate, she needs to focus on one. She expresses gratitude to the EGP team and reassures the assembly of her ongoing commitment to European politics. With the French government's collapse, she believes the French Greens have a historic opportunity, and she intends to play a role. Mélanie concludes by offering her full support to the next leadership.

Session: Keynote Speech & Meet the Host
Friday, 6 December 2024, 15:00 – 15:45

Keynote speech:

Eamon Ryan, Minister for Environment, Climate, Communications and Transport highlights we are in an ecological crisis, with many other challenges ahead of us like social inequalities, wars, the fight for human rights and democracy. He highlights the importance that ecological solutions go hand in hand with social justice solutions.

He thanks Leonore Gewessler for being decisive for making the Nature restoration Law to pass. He stresses that decarbonisation is the way to make Europe more competitive as highlighted by the Draghi and Letta reports, and that the challenge for this EU mandate is to go on with the Green Deal in order to deliver on climate targets.

He acknowledges that the strategy to enlarge Green representation to south and east was very good as the green family needs to represent all Europeans.

Meet the Host panel:

Marc Ó Cathasaigh, MP, highlights that the great results of 2020 came just after the green wave of 2019, giving the Irish Greens the opportunity and the big responsibility of entering into government and making positive changes for Irish citizens. No regrets on being part of the government.

Pauline O'Reilly, Senator, states people will look back at this government and see all the achievements obtained by the Irish Greens in government: improvement for abortion access, free contraception, environmental protection laws.

Eamon focuses on lessons learnt from this government experience. Strong attacks on the Greens on social media but also by traditional media influenced public perception of the

Greens. For example, making cycle lanes popular in a car dominated society was not an easy task, they received a lot of backlash for that.

Session: Plenary I: Presentation & Q&A of the EGP Committee Candidates
Friday, 6 December 2024, 16:45 – 19:30

Moderators: **Mina Jack Tolu** and **Ute Michel**.

The moderators give a short introduction and outline of this session: membership application, AMC candidates and Committee candidates.

They introduce the co-chairs of Zeleno-levi Front (Serbia) **Radomir Lazović**, Co-chair, MP and **Biljana Đorđević**, Co-chair, MP, to give their presentation for their membership application.

Thomas Waitz is invited to come on stage to give the positive EGP committee recommendation on the application of Zeleno-levi Front.

Thomas invites **Biljana Stojković**, Co-Chair of Zajedno from Serbia, to address the room briefly about their party.

The moderators move on with a short introduction of the Amendments Committee (AMC) - three members from the member parties to be elected - and call all 4 candidates on stage for a 2 min presentation of each (in alphabetical order):

- **Ariane Giraneza**, nominated by Groen, Belgium
- **Sam Murray**, nominated by FYEG
- **Antoine Tifine**, nominated by Les Ecologistes/EELV, France
- **Irene Vivas Lalinde**, nominated by Verdes Equo, Spain

The moderators continue with the presentations of the candidates for the EGP Committee. There are 22 candidates, candidates for specific functions will have 3 minutes for presentations each, while the candidates for regular committee positions will have 2 minutes each.

Candidates Co-chair:

- **Vula Tsetsi**, nominated by déi gréng, Luxembourg
- **Ciarán Cuffe**, nominated by Comhaontas Glas – Irish Greens, Ireland

Candidate Secretary General:

- **Benedetta De Marte**, nominated by Ecolo, Belgium

Candidate Treasurer:

- **Marc Gimenez**, nominated by Esquerra Verda, Spain

The candidates for regular committee members are invited to come on stage in three groups of 6 for their presentations. The presentations are done in alphabetical order of surname

Group 1:

- **Christina Keßler**, nominated and appointed by FYEG
- **Tetiana Bodun**, nominated by Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, Ukraine
- **Markus Drake**, nominated by Vihreat - De Gröna, Finland
- **Maxim Gritunic**, nominated by Ecological Green Party of Moldova
- **Joanna Kaminska**, nominated by Zieloni, Poland
- **Wanja Kaufmann**, nominated by Miljöpartiet de gröna, Sweden

Group 2:

- **Maria Kola**, nominated by Cyprus Greens - Citizens' Cooperation, Cyprus
- **Jelena Miloš**, nominated by Možemo! – politička platforma, Croatia
- **Rasmus Nordqvist**, nominated by SF – Green Left, Denmark
- **Elīna Pinto**, nominated by Progresīvie, Latvia
- **Molly Scott Cato**, nominated by Green Party of England and Wales, UK
- **Sibylle Steffan**, nominated by Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, Germany

Group 3:

- **Jan Steurs**, nominated by Groen, Belgium
- **Rui Tavares**, nominated by LIVRE, Portugal
- **Tomas Tomilinas**, nominated by Democrats "For Lithuania", Lithuania
- **Marieke van Doorninck**, nominated by GroenLinks, the Netherlands
- **Marina Verronneau**, nominated by Les Ecologistes, France
- **Valerio Zaratti**, nominated by Europa Verde – Verdi, Italy

The presentations are followed by a world café style Q&A session. All candidates are assigned a table in the plenary room, where delegates can go to and engage in a conversation with them. The moderators ask the delegates to move on to a different candidate about every 4 minutes.

Session: Discussion on voting business
Saturday, 7 December 2024, 9:00 - 9:45

Chair: Benedetta De Marte, EGP Secretary General

Benedetta De Marte reminds all delegates about both voting sessions (Saturday: elections, Sunday: statutory and resolutions) and to make sure to bring fully charged devices for the electronic voting. She clarifies the election procedure for the AMC and Committee elections.

Next she runs through the statutory items to be voted with the respective amendments, if any.

Sibylle Steffan runs through the eight tabled resolutions (one withdrawn) and reminds that the amendments on the emergency resolution will be dealt with in CAS track 2. She reminds that the votes on the amendments require a simple majority and the final resolutions as amended require a 2/3 majority of the votes cast.

Benedetta De Marte then elaborates on the termination of memberships:

- Self termination request from LMP, Hungary
- Self termination request from Yesil Sol, // HDP // DEM, Turkey
- Committee proposal for termination membership SMS Zeleni Evrope, Slovenia

Thomas Waitz, Co-chair, speaks to explain the Committee proposal.

Igor Jurisič, President of SMS, speaks to oppose the arguments in the termination proposal from the Committee.

Ed Davitt, member of the EGP Conciliation Panel (CP) reports on their findings after the complaint was raised within the period by SMS. The unanimous view of CP is that the Committee followed the procedure, and that the Dublin Congress should vote on it. [CP report available in motion tool].

**Session: Greens/EFA Plenary: Keeping the Flame Alive: Path to Green, Social and Democratic Europe
and Message from Women Wage Peace & Women of the Sun
Saturday, 7 December 2024, 11:45 - 13:30**

The session starts with a video message from Women of the Sun and Women Wage Peace from Israel & Palestine. Two women's organisations nominated for the European Parliament's Sakharov Prize.

Greens/EFA Plenary

Moderator: Bas Eickhout, Greens/EFA Co-Chair and MEP

Speakers:

- Benedetta Scuderi, MEP
- Saskia Bricmont MEP
- Virginijus Sinkevičius MEP
- Sara Matthieu MEP
- Nicolae Ștefănuță MEP
- David Cormand, MEP

Bas introduces the plenary and comments on the post-election reality (European and Irish), as well as the on the strength and goals of the Green Family across Europe and the Greens/EFA group in the coming mandate.

It's difficult to stay optimistic when it feels like the world is slipping further and further into despair: the climate crisis is in full swing, and we see its effects here at home, with tragic floods, extreme temperatures; two wars are waging on with a tremendous loss of lives; Trump's re-election. In Europe we now see the most far right parliament in the history of the EU. Times are dire. And yet, it's more than ever necessary to regather our strengths and continue the fight towards a Green, just and democratic future.

In this session the Greens/EFA Group tackles this new scenario, highlighting new challenges progressives are facing, but also opportunities that arise and new strategies to undertake. Divided in three blocks, the session focuses on investing in a green and social future, protecting democracy and fundamental rights; fighting against climate change and the consequences of extreme weather events.

1st panel: Investing in a Green and Social Future.

Sara Matthieu and Nicolae Ștefănuță, interviewed by Bas.
Live Q&A by participants (Slido).

2nd panel: **Protecting Democracy and People**

Saskia Bricmont, Benedetta Scuderi, interviewed by Bas.
Live Q&A by participants (Slido).

3rd panel: **Fighting Climate Change**

Virginijus Sinkevičius, David Cormand, interviewed by Bas.
Live Q&A by participants (Slido).

Bas concludes the session by answering briefly on some of the questions participants sent to Slido during the session.

Session: Thank you to the outgoing Committee

Saturday, 7 December 2024, 16:30 - 16:45

Benedetta De Marte takes the floor to give tribute to the outgoing Committee. She invites outgoing Committee members to the stage, highlighting their achievements during the mandate and thanking them for their work on behalf of EGP: Thomas Waitz and Mélanie Vogel, Co-chairs; Ute Michel, Treasurer; and committee members Mina Jack Tolu and Malgorzata Tracz (delayed arrival).

Session: Plenary: Looking Forward: The Foundations for a Green Future

Saturday, 7 December 2024, 16:45 - 18:00

Moderator: Laurent Standaert, Director of Green European Foundation (GEF)

Speakers:

- Tarik Abou-Chadi, Professor of European Politics, UK
- Laurence Tubiana, European Climate Foundation President and CEO, France
- Angelo Bonelli, Spokesperson of Europa Verde, Italy
- Sandra Benčić, MP, Group leader, Možemo, Croatia

Laurent Standaert opens the session, setting the goal of critically reflecting on the Green movement's current position. He acknowledges the electoral gains in East and South at the EU elections but also highlights broader challenges, particularly the growing influence of the far-right. Laurent stresses the importance of focusing on what the Greens can offer, rather than adopting a defensive stance. He underscores the unity and shared foundational values within the Green movement, despite internal differences, and invites the group to reflect on the Greens' current state.

Laurence Tubiana begins by acknowledging the progress made in climate awareness, particularly in the wake of the war in Ukraine. She points to the Repower EU initiative as a major achievement in energy policy. While recognizing the backlash against Green policies, Laurence emphasizes that there is still a silent majority supporting climate action and environmental justice. She calls for Greens to celebrate their victories and work to form alliances. Laurence stresses that unity and collaboration are essential as the movement moves forward.

Sandra Benčić argues that the Green transition agenda is the most ambitious and comprehensive political platform, with profound implications for various sectors of society. Despite the setbacks in recent elections, Sandra points out that the Green movement still

possesses strong infrastructure, committed people, and a clear vision. She suggests that Greens should shift their communication focus to emphasize the connection between green policies and economic justice, particularly for those most impacted by inequality. She elaborates on Možemo's progress as the third-largest party in Croatia's parliament and election of their first MEP. Možemo focuses on policies aimed at protecting the public interest, such as investing in public services and promoting municipalization. They stress that the Green movement needs to better communicate how green policies will benefit everyday citizens, particularly in the context of the green transition.

Tarik Abou-Chadi discusses the difficult political landscape for Green parties, noting that governments across Europe are losing support due to the convergence of multiple crises. He questions whether the so-called "Green backlash" is a result of the Green movement failing to deliver on its promises or simply a reflection of broader dissatisfaction with governments in general. Despite these challenges, Tarik argues that public support for climate action remains strong. However, parties that focus on addressing immediate economic concerns tend to be more successful in such times.

Angelo Bonelli explains that the Italian Greens are on the path to recovery and are emerging as a key opposition force against the far-right. After 15 years, they returned to the European Parliament as part of the Green-Left alliance, securing four MEPs. Angelo attributes their success to a platform that effectively combines social and environmental justice, and support to Palestine. The platform has in particular attracted young progressive voters. Angelo continues by outlining how Greens can best engage the public in Italy. He argues that combining social justice with the climate agenda is essential, but Greens should avoid getting bogged down by technical and bureaucratic arguments. He suggests creating funds for economically vulnerable families and financing these initiatives through taxes on the wealthy.

Sandra Benčić addresses the topic of migration and security, urging Greens to take ownership of the security narrative. She mentions a current debate in Croatia over mandatory military conscription, which has found support among the public. Možemo is trying to shift the narrative by stating that the funds should be directed towards the protection against floods and similar environmental disasters and, at the same time, strengthen voluntarily civil protection units. She suggests that Greens should frame climate change as a security issue, both nationally and at the European level, and demand that political leaders take responsibility.

Laurence Tubiana comments on China's advances in technology and urges Europe to move faster in its own industrial and technological development. She stresses the need for a pan-European perspective, rather than nationalistic approaches, in responding to global challenges. Laurence points out that China's progress should be seen as a wake-up call for Europe, encouraging innovation and investment in green technologies to maintain competitiveness.

Tarik Abou-Chadi reflects on the left's struggle to address climate change, noting that many progressive parties have failed to provide coherent leadership on the issue. He argues that the left has lost ground in part because it has not effectively articulated a bold, clear response to the climate crisis.

Angelo Bonelli believes building alliances with trade unions, youth movements and working-class organisations in the next five years are crucial for recovering the ground lost in recent elections and for ensuring that Green policies benefit all sectors of society, especially those who have felt marginalised by the current political system.

Sandra Benčić adds that while policy delivery is essential, Greens also need to prioritise organising and mobilising their base. Sandra argues that grassroots alliances can help strengthen the Green movement and broaden its appeal, like supporting local farmers who produce ecological food by ensuring they have access to public services like schools, hospitals, and kindergartens.

Laurence Tubiana briefly supports the idea of forging new alliances, reinforcing that building strong relationships with various sectors will be key to the Green movement's success in the coming years.

Laurent Standaert thanks everyone for their contributions.

**Elections: Amendments Committee, EGP Committee (for Greens only)
Saturday, 7 December 2024, 18:00- 20:00**

Moderators: Mélanie and Thomas

Mélanie and Thomas introduce the elections.

For a candidate to be elected:

- They need to gain more than 50% of the votes cast in the 1st round.
- If no candidate gains more than 50% in the 1st round, a 2nd round will be run between the 2 highest scoring candidates. The candidate who receives more than 50% of the votes cast in the 2nd round is elected.
- AMC election, three positions to be elected. Maximum two male members.
- Afterwards Committee election, 13 positions, 12 to be elected
- We have competition, for the Committee even more so, if any of the candidates want to withdraw at any point, they can of course let the chairs know.
- There are 117 allocated votes.

A digital test vote is conducted to establish the quorum . 116 votes are present in the room so quorum is reached and the elections can proceed.

ELECTION Amendments Committee (AMC)

Three members from the member parties to be elected for a period of three years.

The new Committee will decide on its three members to the AMC early next year.

For the first position, the vote is held for a female member; between Ariane Giraneza and Irene Vivas Lalinde

The result:

- Ariane Giraneza: 89 votes / 77,39%
- Irene Vivas Lalinde: 26 votes / 22,61%
- Abstain: 1 vote

Ariane Giraneza is elected with 89 votes in favour / 77,39%

For the second position, the round is held with the remaining three candidates.

The result:

- Sam Murray: 47 votes / 40.52%
- Antoine Tifine: 42 votes / 36.21%
- Irene Vivas Lalinde: 27 votes / 23.28%
- Abstain: 0 votes

A second round is needed between Sam Murray and Antoine Tifine.

The result:

- Sam Murray: 86 votes / 74.14 %
- Antoine Tifine: 30 votes / 25.86%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Sam Murray is elected with 86 votes in favour / 74.14 %

AMC - Third position is held between the remaining two candidates

The result:

- Antoine Tifine: 69 votes / 60.53%
- Irene Vivas Lalinde: 45 votes / 39.47%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Antoine Tifine is elected with 69 votes in favour / 60.53%

Congratulations to the new AMC members 2024-2027:

- Ariane Giraneza
- Sam Murray
- Antoine Tifine

COMMITTEE ELECTION

The moderators explain the voting procedure:

The Committee consists of 13 members. 12 members to be elected and one appointed FYEG member.

All posts are voted separately in the following order:

- Two Co-Chairs (female position first, then open position)
- Secretary General
- Treasurer
- Acknowledgement Committee member nominated by FYEG
- Gender balance check
- 8 further Committee members
- Gender balance check after each elected member. The FYEG appointed Committee member is female. Gender balance for the 12 members to be elected:
 - Minimum 6 women
 - Maximum 6 men

1. First vote is for the female Co-Chair:

Vula Tsetsi, nominated by déi gréng Luxembourg

The result:

- Vula Tsetsi: 111 votes / 99.11%
- No: 1 votes / 0.89 %

- Abstained: 4 votes

Vula Tsetsi is elected with 111 votes in favour / 99.11%

2. Second vote is for the open position: Ciarán Cuffe, nominated by the Irish Green Party

The result:

- Ciarán Cuffe: 114 votes / 100%
- No: 0 votes / 0 %
- Abstained: 2 votes

Ciarán Cuffe is elected with 114 votes in favour / 100%

3. Third vote is for the Secretary General: Benedetta De Marte, nominated by Ecolo Belgium

The result:

- Benedetta de Marte: 109 votes / 97,32%
- No: 3 votes / 2.68%
- Abstained: 4 votes

Benedetta de Marte is elected with 109 votes in favour / 97.32%

4. Fourth vote is for the treasurer: Marc Gimenez, nominated by Esquerra Verda, Spain

The result:

Marc Gimenez: 114 votes / 100%

No: 0 votes / 0%

Abstained: 0 votes

Marc Gimenez is elected with 114 votes in favour / 100%

5. Fifth “vote” by show of hands: The Delegates acknowledge the FYEG appointed Committee member: Christina Keßler

6. Vote for the 6th Committee Member:

The result:

- Rasmus Nordqvist: 76 votes / 66.09 %
- Joanna Kaminska: 12 votes / 10.43%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 7 votes / 6.09%
- Markus Drake: 6 votes / 5.22%
- Elīna Pinto: 5 votes / 4.35%
- Maxim Gritunic: 2 votes / 1.74%
- Maria Kola: 2 votes / 1.74%
- Marina Verronneau: 2 votes / 1.74%
- Tetiana Bodun: 1 votes / 0.87%
- Sibylle Steffan: 1 votes / 0.87%
- Valerio Zaratti: 1 votes / 0.87%
- Jelena Milosć: 0 votes/ 0%
- Molly Scott Cato: 0 votes / 0%

- Jan Steurs: 0 votes / 0%
- Rui Tavares: 0 votes / 0%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Marieke van Doorninck: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain 0 votes

Votes cast: 115

Rasmus Nordqvist is elected with 76 votes in favour / 66.09 %

7. Vote for the 7th Committee Member:

The result:

- Sibylle Steffan: 79 votes / 68.1%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 9 votes / 7.76%
- Joanna Kaminska: 6 votes / 5.17%
- Markus Drake: 5 votes / 4.31%
- Rui Tavares: 5 votes / 4.31%
- Marieke van Doorninck: 3 votes / 2.59%
- Maxim Gritunic: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Maria Kola: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Jan Steurs: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Tetiana Bodun: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Jelena Milosć: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Elīna Pinto: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Molly Scott Cato: 0 votes / 0%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Marina Verronneau: 0 votes / 0%
- Valerio Zaratti: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain: 0

Sibylle Steffan is elected with 79 votes in favour / 68.1%

8. Vote for the 8th Committee member:

The result:

- Marina Verronneau: 88 votes / 75.86%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 9 votes / 7.76%
- Markus Drake: 7 votes / 6.03%
- Tetiana Bodun: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Maria Kola: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Elīna Pinto: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Rui Tavares: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Maxim Gritunic: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Joanna Kaminska: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Molly Scott Cato: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Marieke van Doorninck: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Jelena Milosć: 0 votes / 0%
- Jan Steurs: 0 votes / 0%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Valerio Zaratti: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain: 0

Marina Verronneau is elected with 88 votes in favour / 75.86 %

9. Vote for the 9th Committee member

The result:

- Marieke van Doorninck: 70 votes / 60.34%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 32 votes / 27.59%
- Maria Kola: 4 votes / 3.45%
- Tetiana Bodun: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Jelena Milosć: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Elīna Pinto: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Molly Scott Cato: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Maxim Gritunic: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Rui Tavares: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Markus Drake: 0 votes / 0%
- Joanna Kaminska: 0 votes / 0%
- Jan Steurs: 0 votes / 0%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Valerio Zaratti: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Marieke van Doorninck is elected with 70 votes in favour / 60.34 %

10. Vote for the 10th Committee member:

The result:

- Jelena Milosć: 81 votes / 69.83%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 19 votes / 16.38%
- Elīna Pinto: 5 votes / 4.31%
- Tetiana Bodun: 3 votes / 2.59%
- Maria Kola: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Rui Tavares: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Markus Drake: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Maxim Gritunic: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Joanna Kaminska: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Molly Scott Cato: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Jan Steurs: 0 votes / 0%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Valerio Zaratti: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Jelena Milosć is elected with 81 votes / 69.83%

11. Vote, for the 11th Committee member:

The result:

- Elīna Pinto: 81 votes / 69.83%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 19 votes / 16.38%
- Valerio Zaratti: 8 votes / 6.9%

- Tetiana Bodun: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Maxim Gritunic: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Joanna Kaminska: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Maria Kola: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Molly Scott Cato: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Jan Steurs: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Markus Drake: 0 votes / 0%
- Rui Tavares: 0 votes / 0%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Elina Pinto is elected with 81 votes in favour / 69.83%

12. Vote for the 12th Committee member

The result:

- Rui Tavares: 56 votes / 48.28%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 19 votes / 16.38%
- Molly Scott Cato: 15 votes / 12.93%
- Jan Steurs: 9 votes / 7.76%
- Valerio Zaratti: 8 votes / 6.9%
- Markus Drake: 3 votes / 2.59%
- Tetiana Bodun: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Maxim Gritunic: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Joanna Kaminska: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Maria Kola: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 0 votes / 0%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Second round is needed between Rui Tavares and Wanja Kaufmann

The result:

- Rui Tavares: 73 votes / 62.93%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 43 votes / 37.07%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Rui Tavares is elected with 73 votes in favour / 62.93%

13. Vote for the 13th Committee member:

The result:

- Joanna Kaminska: 44 votes / 37.93%
- Markus Drake: 21 votes / 18.1%
- Wanja Kaufmann: 16 votes / 13.79%
- Tomas Tomilinas: 14 votes / 12.07%
- Valerio Zaratti: 7 votes / 6.03%
- Maria Kola: 5 votes / 4.31%
- Jan Steurs: 5 votes / 4.31%
- Molly Scott Cato: 2 votes / 1.72%
- Tetiana Bodun: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Maxim Gritunic: 1 votes / 0.86%
- Abstain: 0 votes

Second round is needed between Joanna Kaminska and Markus Drake

The result:

- Joanna Kaminska: 79 votes / 71.82%
- Markus Drake: 31 votes / 28.18%
- Abstain: 6 votes

Joanna Kaminska is elected with 79 votes in favour / 71.82%

That concludes the Committee election.

The moderators warmly thank the rest of the candidates for their engagement.

A congratulatory moment follows for the new EGP Committee, 2024-2027

- Vula Tsetsi
- Ciarán Cuffe
- Benedetta De Marte
- Marc Gimenez
- Joanna Kaminska
- Christina Keßler
- Jelena Miloš
- Elina Pinto
- Rasmus Nordqvist
- Sibylle Steffan
- Rui Tavares
- Marieke van Doorninck
- Marina Verronneau

8 December 2024, Sunday

Session: Final CAS

Sunday, 8 December 2024, 09:00 – 09:30

The members of the Amendments Committee report on the state of play of the Compromised Amendments (CAS AMs). They report that the bulk of the amendments in the CAS 2 track have been compromised in CAS, with only a very few amendments left to be voted separately later on in the voting session. For CAS track 1, the AMC explains the proceedings for the voting on the amendments as agreed in CAS.

Session: Membership relations and reporting

Sunday, 8 December 2024, 09:30 – 10:00

Moderator: Benedetta De Marte, EGP Secretary General

Benedetta De Marte introduces the Membership and Activity Report for the period since the EGP Extended Congress in Lyon, France in February 2024.

First topic is the common European Parliamentary election campaign conducted by EGP in cooperation with its Member Parties, highlighting the activities organised during the campaign, such as the Leading Candidates' tour and the Campaign Rally. She underlines the tools and resources EGP shared with its Member Parties and the exchanges that were

organised with them, with a special emphasis on the process of building the common electoral Manifesto. She details the specific elements of the campaign, such as the common slogan and branding, the European Citizen's Choice and the Courage Club consisting of campaign volunteers.

Benedetta De Marte notes that in total 24 Leading Candidate visits were organised during the EP campaign to 18 countries and that the Leading Candidates participated in two pan-European debates.

Moving on she lists all the bilateral meetings organised between Member Parties and the EGP Committee since the Lyon Congress, the bilateral meetings organised with other European Political Parties (EUPPs), as well as visits by members of the EGP Committee to events of the Member Parties. She also underlines the activities of the EGP's Networks in this period as well as the Green Leadership Council organised in the immediate aftermath of the elections to the European Parliament in June 2024. She then explains the ongoing activities of the Local Councillors' Network.

Regarding membership changes, she notes that since the Lyon Congress in February 2024 two parties have decided to leave the EGP: *LMP – Magyarország Zöld Pártja* from Hungary decided to terminate its Full Membership and *Halkların Eşitlik ve Demokrasi Partisi – DEM* from Turkey decided to terminate its Associate Membership. Both parties informed the EGP secretariat about their intention via official letters. In addition, one party's application for Full Membership is pending the approval of the Congress delegates (*Zeleno-levi front* from Serbia) and one party is proposed for membership termination from the EGP by the EGP Committee, pending the approval of the Congress delegates (*Stranka mladih – Zeleni Evrope* from Slovenia).

Finally, **Benedetta De Marte** briefly outlines the Activity Plan for 2025, including the planned statutory meetings.

Session: Financial reporting **Sunday, 8 December 2024, 10:00 – 10:30**

Moderator: Ute Michel, EGP Treasurer

Ute Michel presents the financial documents 2023. The EGP received an unqualified audit report for the accounts for 2023. She informs the delegates that the IFRS audit was also completed of the 2023 accounts, while a third one is still underway.

She presents the accounts 2023 to the Congress delegates. She informs the delegates that the planning of the 2024 EP election campaign already began in 2023. However, the detailed campaign budget will be presented during the financial reporting of the 2024 accounts.

The total revenues for 2023 were 4.521.370 EUR, while the total expenditure was 4.410.447 EUR. 1.9 million EUR was carried over to 2024. The 10% own resources requirement was met without dissolving the Funds and 108.059 EUR can be allocated to the Funds, especially to the Operational Reserve.

The Committee proposes to the 39th EGP Congress in Dublin to adopt the accounts 2023. This includes:

- No dissolution from the Funds,
- Allocating 108.059,93 EUR to the Operational Reserve, and
- Deciding on a carry-over to 2024 of 1.900.623,59 EUR.

Ute Michel moves on to present the key figures of the 2025 budget. She explains that the budget framework is different from that between 2020 – 2024, because the number of MEPs affiliated with the EGP decreased from 58 to 44, the number of registered EUPPs increased from 10 to 12, and the total number of EUPP affiliated MEPs increased from around 600 in previous years to 637 in 2024.

Ute Michel explains that the combined financial effect of the above is an expected grant for 2025 of 3.242.988 EUR, which is 1.6 million less than in 2024.

The budget is balanced at 4.151.488 EUR. The expected carryover from 2024 to 2025 is around 350.000 EUR, while the membership fees are projected to amount to 510.059 EUR. The budget includes a provision to the Campaign Fund of 123.479 EUR.

The Committee proposes to the 39th EGP Congress in Dublin to adopt:

- the draft total budget 2025 of 4.151.488 EUR;
- the draft membership fees for 2025 as per the membership fee table for EU countries only, with a total of 510.059 EUR.

Membership fees will only be raised from EU member parties in line with current legal requirements. The voting rights of the non-EU member parties at Congress remain unaffected.

Christian Kmiotek on behalf of the Financial Advisory Board (FAB) recommends to Congress to accept the 2023 Accounts and 2025 budget.

Ute Michel closes the session by informing the delegates that due to the changing political situation making budgetary projections for the period between 2026 – 2029 is not possible with a high degree of certainty.

Session: Voting

Sunday, 8 December 2024, 11:00 - 12:45

Chairs: Benedetta De Marte, Sibylle Steffan

Benedetta De Marte reminds that after changes to the Rulebook, abstentions are not counting in the votes cast anymore. Votes cast are only yes or no.

She calls for an electronic test vote to establish the quorum. Quorum is reached with 112 votes in the room and the voting session can begin. (note: 117 votes allocated)

STATUTORY VOTES

S4.1&2 Benedetta De Marte reminds about the self-termination of memberships from *LMP – Magyarország Zöld Pártja* (Hungary) and *Halkların Eşitlik ve Demokrasi Partisi – DEM* (Turkey). Congress acknowledges by show of cards for both.

S4.3 First item to vote concerns the termination of membership of *Stranka mladih – Zeleni Evrope* (Slovenia). Benedetta De Marte reminds that a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of allocated votes is needed for the vote to pass.

The result:

- In favour: 89 / 76,07 %
- Against: 8

- Abstentions: 19

The proposal is adopted. The Full Membership of *Stranka mladih – Zeleni Evrope* (Slovenia) in the EGP is terminated.

The total amount of allocated votes is slightly changed to 116 as a result of the previous vote.

Proposal for application of Full Membership of *Zeleno–levi front* (Serbia). Benedetta reminds that a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of the allocated votes is needed for the vote to pass.

The result:

- In favour: 112 / 96,55 %
- Against: 0
- Abstentions: 2

The proposal is adopted. The Full Membership of *Zeleno–levi front* (Serbia) is approved.

S5. The next item to vote is on the draft minutes of the two last Congresses (December 2023 and February 2024).

The minutes of the 38th EGP Congress of 2 December 2023 and of the 6th Extended Congress are adopted by a show of cards.

S6.1 The next item to vote is the updated Annex B of the EGP statutes with an electronic vote Benedetta explains that annex B has the new list of MEPs in the Greens/EFA group in the EP, including five direct members - Ignazio Marino and Leoluca Orlando from Italy, Virginijus Sinkevičius from Lithuania, Nicolae Ștefănuță from Romania and Vladimir Prebilič from Slovenia, as well as the membership changes voted earlier.

Benedetta De Marte reminds that a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of allocated votes is needed in order to pass.

The result:

- In favour: 109 votes / 93,97 %
- Against: 0
- Abstentions: 1

The updated Annex B to the EGP Statutes is adopted.

S6.2 The next item to vote is the proposal of the Committee for amendments to the Statutes on disciplinary measures. Benedetta De Marte reminds that $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of allocated votes is needed in order to pass.

The result:

- In favour: 101 votes / 87,07 %
- Against: 1 vote
- Abstentions: 8

The Statutes changes are adopted.

The next item to vote is a power of attorney for the notarisation of the changes to the statutes. Benedetta reads aloud:

Power of attorney is hereby granted, with power of subdelegation, to Jean-Théodore

Godin, Evelyne Liégeois, lawyers or any other lawyers of the law firm moov.law, located at 27 box 5 Galerie du Roi, 1000 Brussels, to, each separately:

- proceed with the translation of any document necessary or useful for the signature of the notarial deed for the amendment of the Statutes of The European Green Party,
- appear in the name and on behalf of the members of The European Green Party before the notaries Jean-François and Valentin Delattre of the notarial office Jean-François and Valentin Delatre located at 18, Rue Sainte Anne, 1420 Braine-l'Alleud, Belgium;
- to sign, in the name and on behalf of the members of The European Green Party, the notarial deed ratifying the amendments to the Statutes;
- carry out the necessary publications and perform all acts necessary or merely useful for the execution of these resolutions.

The result:

- In favour: 107 / 92,24 %
- Against: 0
- Abstentions: 2

The power of attorney for the notarisation of the statutes changes is adopted.

S7.1 The next item to vote is the accounts and activity report 2023. This vote is by show of voting cards.

The Accounts 2023 and the activity report 2023 are adopted.

S7.2 The next item to vote is the budget 2025 and membership fees 2025. This vote is by show of voting cards.

Budget 2025 and membership fees 2025 are adopted.

S8. The next item to vote is the EGP activity plan 2025. This vote is by show of voting cards.

The EGP activity plan 2025 is adopted.

S9. The next item is the EGP campaign evaluation 2024. This vote is by show of voting cards.

The EGP campaign evaluation 2024 is adopted.

This concludes the votes on the statutory issues.

RESOLUTIONS

Benedetta De Marte gives the floor to Sybille Steffan to chair the votes on the resolutions.

Sybille Steffan reminds that a simple majority of the votes cast is needed for amendments to pass, while a 2/3 majority of the votes cast is needed for the resolution to be adopted. The votes are run by show of voting cards unless the result is not conclusive and an electronic vote is needed.

R1 More than Ever: Let's Make Our Future Green and Fair

Mélanie Vogel (EGP Committee) takes the floor to present the resolution.

Sibylle Steffan proceeds with the voting. All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions, but one.

First there is a vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt the compromised amendments.

Vote needed on amendment 51:

Luca Boccoli (Europa Verde) speaks in favour of the deletion.
Rasmus Nordqvist (EGP Committee) speaks against.

Sibylle calls for the vote with the voting cards.
The delegates reject the amendment (no deletion)

The next vote is on the resolution as amended.
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended

R3 For Peace and Justice in the Middle East

Anja Presnukhina (FYEG) takes the floor to present the resolution.

Sybille Steffan explains that while many amendments were compromised on during CAS, there are 9 amendments that require an individual vote. However, an additional vote is also required for the part of the text that is unamended (as per the CAS agreement that amendments that were not discussed fall).

- First there is a vote en block on all the compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt the compromised amendments.

- The second vote is to accept the compromise unamended part (original text)
The delegates adopt the original text of that part.

Then Sibylle Steffan proceeds with the voting on the individual amendments.

- A vote is needed on amendment 33:

Emily Buening (Bündnis90/Die Grünen) speaks in favour of the first version.
Fesl Reza-Kahn (GPEW) speaks in favour of the second version.

The delegates adopt the second version.

- A vote is needed on amendment 42:

Katrin Fallmann (Die Grünen – die Grüne Alternative) speaks in favour of the first version.
Wanja Kaufmann (Miljöpartiet de gröna) speaks in favour of the second version.

The delegates adopt the second version.

- A vote is needed on amendment 47 (2):

Frank Sheridan (GPEW) speaks in favour of the amendment.

Elisabeth Götze (Die Grünen – die Grüne Alternative) speaks against the amendment.

The vote with the cards is not conclusive, so Sybille Steffan calls for an electronic vote..

The result:

- in favour: 59 votes / 59,6%
- against: 40 votes / 40,4%
- abstentions: 12

The delegates adopt the amendment with 59 votes in favour / 59,6%.

- A vote is needed on amendment 48 compromise wording vs original amendment:

Remco Lopez Antezana (GroenLinks) speaks in favour of the first version of the amendment.

Frank Sheridan (GPEW) also speaks in favour of the first version of the amendment.

The delegates adopt the first version, the compromise wording.

- A vote is needed on amendment 49:

Elisabeth Götze (Die Grünen – die Grüne Alternative) speaks in favour of the first version of the amendment.

Meron Knikman (Groen) speaks in favour of the second version of the amendment.

The delegates adopt the second version.

- A vote is needed on amendment 51:

Allegra Salvini (Europa Verde) speaks in favour of the first version of the amendment.

Elisabeth Götze (Die Grünen – die Grüne Alternative) speaks in favour of the second version of the amendment.

The vote with the cards is not conclusive, so Sybille Steffan calls for an electronic vote.

The result:

- version 1: 56 votes / 60,22%
- version 2: 37 votes / 39,78%
- abstentions: 15

The delegates adopt the first version of the amendment with 56 votes / 60,2% in favour.

- A vote is needed on amendment 55:

Meron Knikman (Groen) speaks in favour of the amendment.

Mélanie Vogel (EGP Committee) speaks against the amendment.

The delegates reject the amendment.

- A vote is needed on amendment 57:

Bjarte Bjørsvik (Miljøpartiet de Grønne) speaks in favour of the first version.

Katrin Fallmann (Die Grünen – die Grüne Alternative) speaks in favour of the second version.

The vote with the cards is not conclusive, so Sybille Steffan calls for an electronic vote.

The result:

- version 1: 57 votes / 51,35%
- version 2: 54 votes / 48,65%
- abstention: 1

The delegates adopt the first version of the amendment with 57 votes / 51,35% in favour.

- A vote is needed on amendment 62:

Hannah O'Sullivan (Scottish Green Party) speaks in favour of the amendment.

Regula Rytz (Grüne/Les Vert.e.s) speaks against the amendment.

The vote with the cards is not conclusive, so Sybille Steffan calls for an electronic vote.

The result:

- in favour: 58 votes / 64,44%
- against: 32 votes / 35,56%
- abstentions: 15

The delegates adopt the amendment with 58 votes / 64,4% in favour.

The delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended.

The vote with the cards indicated that the resolution was adopted, but for full transparency Sibylle Steffan calls for an electronic vote. 2/3 majority of votes cast needed.

The result:

- in favour: 75 votes / 78,95%
- against: 20 votes / 21,05%
- abstentions: 14

The delegates adopt the resolution with 75 votes / 78,9% in favour.

German Greens' protocol note: *"As German Delegation we have analyzed the Resolution for Peace and Justice in the Middle East as it stands with great care. The draft resolution tabled by EGP Committee went considerably further than we would have normally gone. But in the amendment process the text was sharpened in one direction far beyond what we could justify in the light of German responsibility. The calls and criticisms directed at Israel [compared to those] against Iran and its proxies are unbalanced and disproportionate to the causes of the continuation of this terrible conflict. Such a text from our European party poses great risks for the German Greens at a critical moment at home. With this in mind, the changes to the committee draft of our European mother party as a whole are not acceptable to us. We recognise the efforts of many of the other delegations to build bridges, but the result cannot change this assessment. Beyond that, the way in which this process took place, despite the efforts of the Committee, was less than ideal. We deeply believe that we should focus on*

things that unite us rather than divide us or even bringing serious difficulties. After careful consideration and consultation with our colleagues back home, we have voted against the resolution. Regardless of the result of the vote, there are different perspectives among the Greens but there is far more that unites us. We are united in working for peace, human rights and international law in the Middle East, the security of Israel, a two-state solution, an immediate ceasefire, a major scale up of humanitarian assistance for the Palestinian population and the release of all hostages. This is also what the German Greens will continue to work on”.

R4 For an Anti-racist Europe

Nefertiti Bikin-kita (FYEG) takes the floor to present the resolution.

All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions, but one.

The delegates are invited to vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt all compromised amendments.

A vote is needed on amendment 5:
The delegates adopt the wording “exclude”.

Delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended.

R5 The EGP opposes the EU-Mercosur Agreement

Stéphanie Lepczynski (Ecolo) takes the floor to present the resolution.

Sibylle Steffan proceeds with the voting. All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions.

The delegates are invited to vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt all compromised amendments.

The delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended.
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended.

R6 Transitioning to sustainable and resilient farming systems in Europe

Emma Nohrén (Miljöpartiet de gröna) takes the floor to present the resolution.

Sibylle Steffan proceeds with the voting. All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions.

The delegates are invited to vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt all compromised amendments.

The delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended.
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended.

R7 Nature Restoration Law vs. EU plan for critical raw materials – challenges to protect nature and democracy

Joana Silva (PEV) takes the floor to present the resolution.

Sibylle Steffan proceeds with the voting. All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions.

The delegates are invited to vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt all compromised amendments.

The delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended.

R8 Keep the wolf strictly protected! And make all member states respect its protection!

Emma Nohrén (Miljöpartiet de gröna) takes the floor to present the resolution.

Sibylle Steffan proceeds with the voting. All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions.

The delegates are invited to vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt all compromised amendments.

The delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended.
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended.

R9 Beyond Trump: Greens continue to fight for peace, democracy, fundamental rights and a rules-based world order

All amendments were compromised in the CAS sessions.

The delegates are invited to vote en block on all compromised amendments.
The delegates adopt all compromised amendments.

The delegates are invited to vote on the resolution as amended
The delegates adopt the resolution as amended.

This concludes the voting on the resolutions. The Chairs thank all delegates for their relentless efforts in the negotiations.
(note: the adopted resolutions will be made available on the EGP website asap).

**Session: Closing speeches
Wednesday, 8 December 2024, 12:45-13:00**

The newly elected EGP Co-chairs **Vula Tsetsi** and **Ciarán Cuffe** take the floor. They thank the delegates for their trust and call upon the political family to remain united and work together to overcome the challenges ahead.

Benedetta De Marte gives the closing speech of the Congress. She begins by expressing solidarity with the protesters in Georgia and reminds that they are fighting for the ideals the EU stands for. She then summarises the outcomes of the Congress. She highlights that despite the difficult negotiations, everyone should feel like they have a place in the political family, and she congratulates the new member party Zeleno-levi front. She reminds of the responsibility and ability of the Green movement to develop a progressive and radically pro-European alternative to counter the political competitors.

Benedetta De Marte closes by thanking the outgoing Committee colleagues, the Irish Greens, all delegates for their hard work and dedication, the AMC and decision-making team, the conciliation panel, all candidates for AMC and Committee, the new elected Committee members and the EGP team.