

## Declaration nr. 2

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**Title:** The Reform of the European Treaties

Taking into account that:

In a few weeks the European elections will be held and that the next European Parliament's 5 year mandate will be decisive for the future of the European Union itself.

The mismanagement of the successive economic crises, the social upheaval, the rise of the far right, Brexit, the internal enlargement, the world's global situation and its consequences cannot let the EU indifferent.

It is time for action. It is time to reassume the principles and values of our founding fathers, from Monnet to Spinelli.

The Europe of old nation-states no longer satisfies the democratic demand for empowerment among Europe's peoples.

As EFA states in its electoral manifesto, it is fundamental that Europe accepts and includes all peoples in the decision-making process, so as to build a democratic Europe of peace, respect and solidarity.

The recognition and support of Europe's peoples, including minorities, as well as regions, nations and stateless nations is needed to restore public confidence in the EU and promote a new 21st century democracy that makes the European project a success for everyone based on the unconditional respect of the dignity of Peoples and respect for human and fundamental rights.

The EFA is resolutely for a social Europe, a welcoming Europe, a Europe that is prosperous for every one of its citizen and that respects its own plurality. Euroscepticism and/or anti-EU populism do not bring solutions. Europe must invest more in its communities by empowering the social fabric and building ties between people. An inclusive approach that welcomes new citizens is essential to strengthening our sense of identity and community.

It is time to open a European-wide debate on the best possible EU for all. It is time to open a constituent process.

The European Free Alliance,

Calls on the new elected EU institutions to convene a Constituent Assembly, in a transparent, participatory and open way to pave the way to a reform of the EU Treaties.

Calls on the new elected European Parliament to ensure the best democratic practices so as to guarantee the maximum representative and equitable participation of society through political parties, civil society organizations, trade unions and other relevant agents.

Calls on the EU institutions to convene working groups on the different topics to be tackled by the reform of the Treaties such as ecological transition, feminism and the right to self-determination.

The European Free Alliance will address the present motion to all the above-mentioned relevant parties.