



Motion

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Title: Distancing ourselves from Far-right and Radical-right organisations and individuals (FROIs).

Motion text

1 Submitted by Cyprien BETTINI, Konstantin PETRY, Directly-Elected FC Members for
2 the Spring FC 2026 in Belgrade.

3 Preamble

4 JEF Europe,

5 having regard to the Ventotene Manifesto and the Hertenstein declaration, having
6 regard to the Statutes of JEF Europe,

7 having regard to the Code of Conduct of JEF Europe,

8 **whereas:**

9 **A. The Federalist movement historically emerged during the Second World War in**
10 **opposition to Nazism and fascism;**

11 **B. Contemporary far-right political parties, in some cases, continue to**
12 **reproduce elements of fascist ideology, rhetoric and symbolism;**

13 **C. Political institutions, notably the European Parliament, have developed the**
14 **practice of the cordon sanitaire, consisting of refusing cooperation, contact or**

15 alliances with far-right parties and groups within parliamentary institutions;

16 **D. Far-right parties have sought to circumvent this practice through strategies**
17 **of ‘normalisation’ (also referred to as ‘de-demonisation’), aimed at occupying**
18 **public debate and moderating their rhetoric to appear acceptable to the general**
19 **public, the media and institutions;**

20 **E. Such strategies, while effective in institutional terms, do not alter the**
21 **fundamentally exclusionary and harmful ideological core of these movements;**

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23 **F. Far-right thinkers and ideologues have increasingly sought to appropriate the**
24 **European project, including Dominique Venner and Alain de Benoist, and whereas**
25 **these ideas have been taken up by far-right and radical-right political parties**
26 **as part of their European-level normalisation strategies;**

27 **G. This development has already had concrete consequences within the European**
28 **Parliament, where the EPP has formed coalitions with PFE, ESN and ECR to adopt**
29 **some amended proposals in spite of the mainstream coalition partners (S&D,**
30 **Renew, the Greens).**

31 **H. Additional organisations, currently marginal, have been established to**
32 **promote ideas associated with Dominique Venner without explicitly acknowledging**
33 **their ideological origins;**

34 **I. One such organisation was the former JEF Lithuania interest group that**
35 **referenced to federalism with euro-nationalist concepts, notably the notion of a**
36 **so called ‘layered identity’ (region–nation–Europe) defining belonging to a**
37 **‘European civilisation’, and reflecting an essentialist vision of Europe based**
38 **on ethnic differentiation rather than civic equality;**

39 **J. Other similar organisations may seek in-person and online contact with JEF**
40 **Europe, its sections and its partners, under the guise of purportedly federalist**
41 **and/or pro-european advocacy;**

42 **K. JEF Europe and its sections must not confer public legitimacy or**
43 **institutional access upon organisations whose values are incompatible with those**
44 **of the movement;**

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46 **L. Whereas JEF Europe aims to play its part in fighting and countering the rise**
47 **of the Far-right, joining or forming broad alliances against it with the aim of**
48 **preventing it from ever gaining political leadership in Europe;**

49 **M. JEF Europe, as a non-party organisation, applies the principle of**
50 **transpartisanship in order to engage with all political actors, while excluding**
51 **cooperation with actors whose values are incompatible with its own;**

52 **JEF Europe therefore:**

53 **Article 1: Definitions and scope**

54 **1. Defines, for the purposes of this resolution, operational criteria for the**
55 **following political currents:**

56 ● **Nationalism: The willingness of a social group to form a common political**
57 **community. Originally an idea from the French revolution, that is focused on the**
58 **equality between citizens, it nowadays often implies the superiority of said**
59 **nation upon the others.**

60 ● **Far right: Political movements that want to focus politics around a set, and**
61 **therefore, unpluralistic, identity.**

62 ● **Antisemitic, racist, and other inegalitarian movements that build themselves**
63 **around the belief that one group of people is unequal to other groups**

64 ● **Authoritarian, and therefore undemocratic groups, may they be left or right or**
65 **neither of the two**

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67 **2. Decides for the purpose of the present Resolution to call the above-mentioned**
68 **organisations as Far-right and Radical-right organisations and individuals**
69 **(FROIs). 3. Decides to cease and refrain from all partnerships with**
70 **organisations that: (a) promote ideas manifestly associated with FROIs; or**

71 **(b) adopt attitudes or ideologies manifestly incompatible with the Code of**
72 **Conduct of JEF Europe.**

73 **4. Decides that the identification, monitoring and classification of FROIs shall**
74 **be coordinated by the Federal Committee, as precised in Article 4 of the present**
75 **Resolution.**

76 **Article 2: Political activities and campaigns of JEF Europe**

77 **4. Decides that JEF Europe, its Secretariat and the members of its governing**
78 **bodies shall not participate in any activity involving one or more**

79 **organisations.**

80 **5. Considers that such activities include, inter alia:**

81 **(a) demonstrations and political events;**

82 **(b) conferences, debates, round tables or other forms of exchange;**

83 **(c) meetings with elected representatives, institutional partners or civil**
84 **society organisations;**

85 **(d) internal and external communication activities;**

86 **(e) any other activity liable to affect the public image of JEF Europe, its**
87 **sections or its members.**

88 **6. Decides that forthcoming campaigns and cooperations of JEF Europe shall**
89 **consider the fight against the far right as a matter priority.**

90 **Article 3: Political activities and campaigns of the sections**

91 **6. Encourages the sections of JEF Europe to apply the principles set out in this**
92 **resolution at national and local level;**

93 **7. Strongly advises sections not to cooperate with:**

94 **(a) representatives of FROIs, their local chapters or affiliated entities;**

95 **(b) individuals or organisations not identified as FROIs but whose ideology is**
96 **manifestly incompatible with the political platform or Code of Conduct of JEF**
97 **Europe.**

98 **8. Calls on sections to raise awareness among their members of the importance of**
99 **this resolution through training activities, structured discussions or dedicated**
100 **events;**

101 **9. Strongly encourages sections, in accordance with their own Codes of Conduct**
102 **and internal procedures, to engage in structured dialogue with any member who**
103 **has established links with FROIs.**

104 **Article 4: Implementation and enforcement**

105 **10. Tasks the Task Force "Fighting Nationalism" - or in case of its dissolution**
106 **the Presidium of the Federal Committee - to provide implementation**
107 **recommendations to the Executive Board if deemed necessary, which shall contain:**
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109 **a. Define which organisations and individuals are associated with FROIs; b.**
110 **Monitor FROIs activities;**

111 **c. Develop political and advocacy tools to address FROIs;**

112 **d. Alert any relevant JEF bodies when a member or a section are approached by**
113 **and/or shared FROIs content;**

114 **e. Conduct any activities, within the limit of the JEF statutes, to ensure the**
115 **correct enforcement of the present Resolution.**

116 **11. Entrusts the Executive Board to:**

117 **a. Distance themselves from any FROIs identified by the Federal committee; b.**
118 **Enforce, in a joint effort with the FC, the present resolution;**

119 **c. Inform sections upon the decisions taken in the framework of the present**
120 **resolution;**

121 **d. Inform a section whose member(s) might have been approached by and/or shared**
122 **FROIs content;**

123 **12. Deems the Arbitration board relevant to solve any inter-personal and/or**
124 **statutory issue related to the present resolution.**