



# European Forum Alpbach

# WELCOME TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

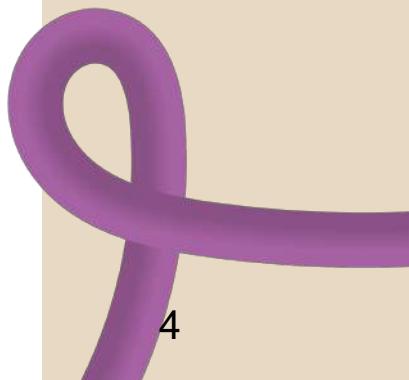


# NIKOLA DONIG

**SECRETARY GENERAL &  
MANAGING DIRECTOR**



## WIFI CONNECTION



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# 1. WELCOME AND QUORUM

## ATTENDANCE & VOTING FIGURES

Attendances in-person	77
Attendances online	45
Voting authorisations	62
Vote transfers	83



## 2. APPROVAL AGENDA

# AGENDA

1. Welcome & Quorum
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes GA 22/7/25
4. Report of the President
5. Amendments to the Statutes
6. Amendments to the Code of Conduct
7. Report of the FAN
8. Outlook EFA26
9. Miscellaneous
10. Closing Remarks



### **3. APPROVAL MINUTES GENERAL ASSEMBLY 22/7/25**

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# **RECHARGE EUROPE**

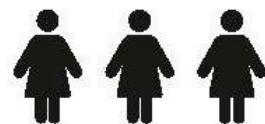
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# EFA25 - PARTICIPANTS

Participants

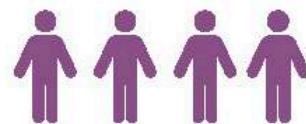
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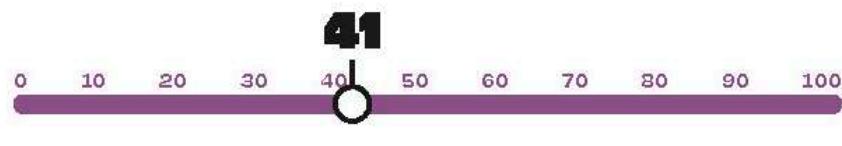
43.2 %  
female



4.7 %  
non-binary



52.1 %  
male



nations

**73**

partners

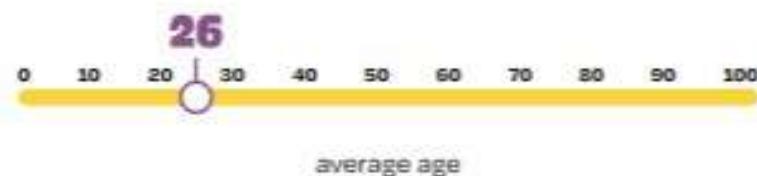
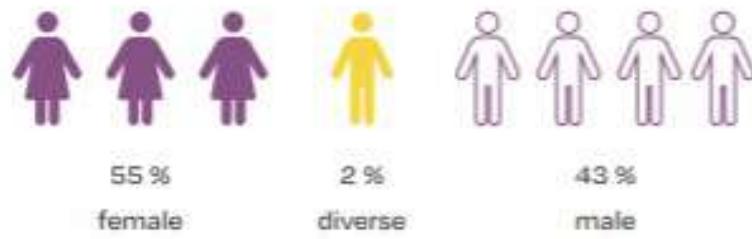


# EFA25 – SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS

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## Gender and diversity

Gender Distribution

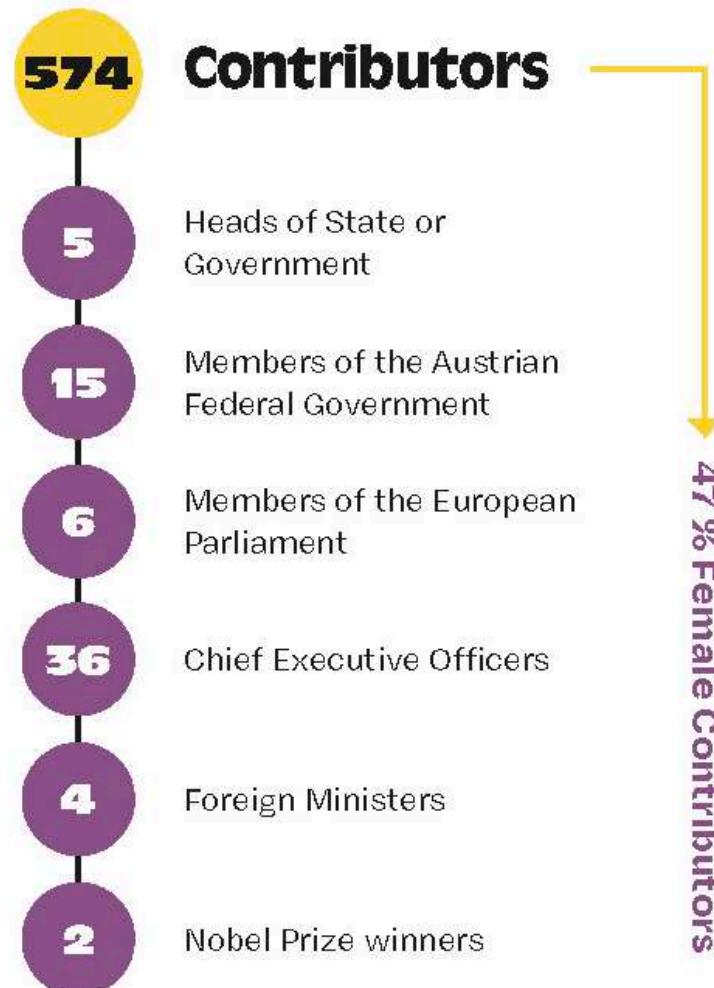


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continents

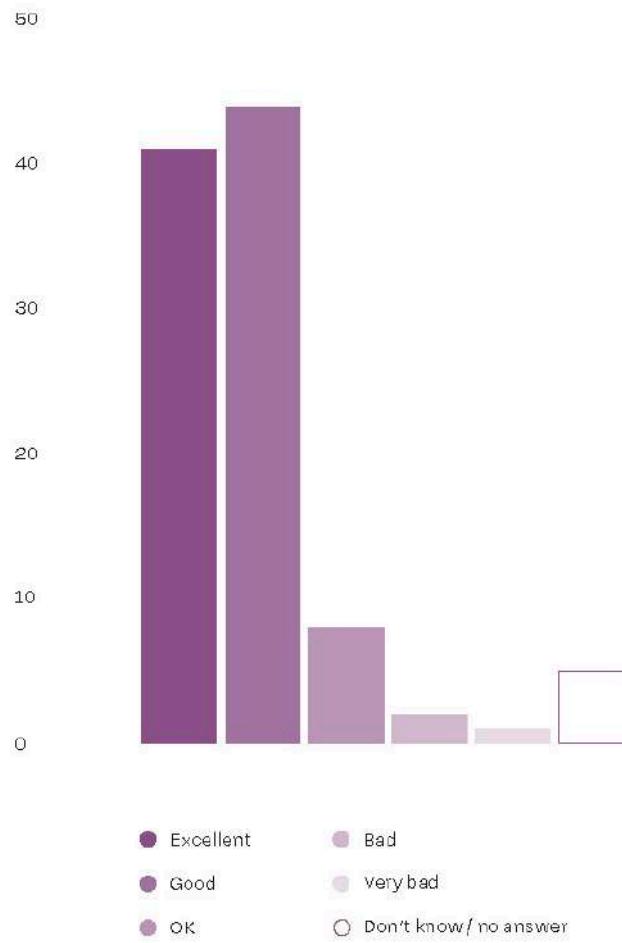


# EFA25 - CONTRIBUTORS

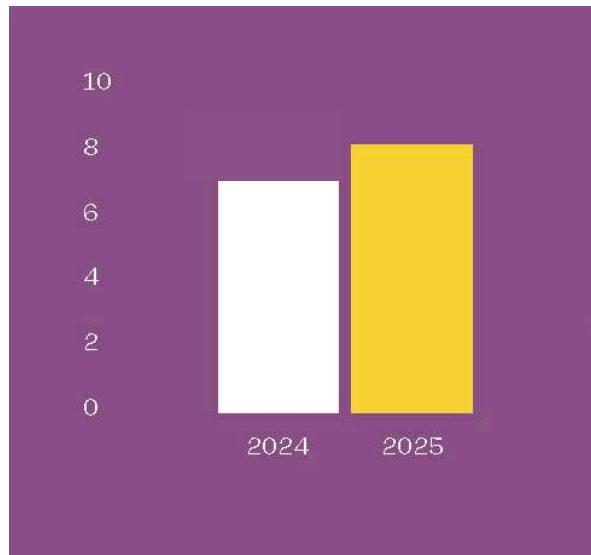


# EFA25 - RATING SPEAKER

How do you rate the quality of speakers?



# EFA25 - RATING FROM PARTNERS



Partners rated their overall experience at EFA25 with 8.5 out of 10 points (compared to 7.4 out of 10 in 2024).



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# 4. BERICHT DES PRÄSIDENTEN

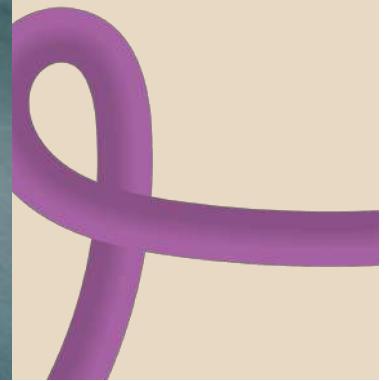


# OTHMAR KARAS

**EFA PRESIDENT**



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## 5. ÄNDERUNGEN IN DEN STATUTEN

# ÜBERSICHT DER ÄNDERUNGEN



<https://www.alpbach.org/general-assembly>

# **PETER OBERLECHNER**

**EFA FINANZREFERENT**



## ZIELE DER STATUTENREFORM

- Vorteile der Spendenbegünstigung auch im Verein
- Anpassung an Vorschriften der Finanzverwaltung
- Enges Zusammenwirken der Entitäten und Gremien
- Klare und transparente Strukturen und Prozesse
- Reduzierung von interner Bürokratie und Kosten

## **VORTEILE DURCH STATUTENREFORM**

- Korrekte und rechtlich saubere Abbildung der langjährigen Praxis
- Erstmals Kontrolle und Zustimmungsrechte der Vereinsvertreter:innen in der Stiftung durch Beirat
- Zukunftsfähige Struktur und langfristige finanzielle Absicherung der Fortführung des EFA

# ERGÄNZTER ZUSATZ:

§ 9 Z 2. Eine ordentliche Generalversammlung wesentlich zur Beschlussfassung über den Voranschlag des laufenden Vereinsjahres ist tunlichst im Jänner des jeweiligen Arbeitsjahres abzuhalten. **Dieser Generalversammlung wird auch der Entwurf des Budgets der Privatstiftung für das jeweilige Arbeitsjahr sowie die letzte abgeschlossene Jahresbilanz zur Information vorgelegt.** Eine weitere ordentliche Generalversammlung wesentlich zur Beschlussfassung über den Rechnungsabschluss des vergangenen Vereinsjahres ist tunlichst spätestens im Juli jedes Kalenderjahres abzuhalten

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**Sitzungsunterbrechung 18:34 bis 18:45**

# **ANTRAG STROLZ:**

Die Generalversammlung beschließt, dass jedes Mitglied in die Stiftungsurkunde unter Kontaktnahme mit der Geschäftsführung Einsicht nehmen kann.

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# DEBATTE

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# ABSTIMMUNG

## **6. AMENDMENTS OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

# AMENDMENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

All participants are expected to behave in a respectful and professional manner – towards event staff, fellow participants, and partners. This expectation applies to all official and unofficial events of the European Forum Alpbach, including those taking place in digital spaces.

~~Professional and appropriate conduct are required at all times towards staff, event participants and contractors inside and outside the event's premises as well as during regional meetings, roundtables or other events organized by the EFA.~~

Any form of sexist, racist, ableist, classist, homophobic, transphobic, queerphobic, religiously discriminatory, violent or otherwise misanthropic behaviour will not be tolerated.

~~We do not tolerate any form of sexual harassment or violence. Insulting actions or verbal statements regarding gender, age, sexual orientation, mental or physical abilities, skin colour, nationality, ethnicity, religion and social background have no place in our community.~~

# AMENDMENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

The EFA ensures the presence of an Ombudsteam **during the annual main European Forum Alpbach event**, who supports and assists in cases of discrimination and breaches of the rules stated above. The Ombudsteam mediates disputes and assesses all reported cases.

~~The policy applies at all times.~~

The EFA encourages participants, scholarship holders, EFA partners and staff to report discriminatory or transgressive behaviour. ~~In case of concerns and/or questions, everybody is invited to contact the Ombudsteam. (The EFA team will consult with the ombudsperson team as needed to review cases and coordinate appropriate action.)~~ Every report ~~(perception)~~ is taken seriously and jointly reflected upon in order to enable an appropriate and fair assessment of the situation. The European Forum Alpbach ~~(EFA)~~ guarantees the protection of the identity of the reporting person and ensures that each report is treated with sensitivity and proportionality. ~~Reports can also be submitted anonymously.~~

~~The EFA encourages participants, fellows, partners of the Forum and staff to report any suspicion of a violation of the above principles also during the year and to bring questions, suggestions and concerns to the attention of the EFA. When raising a concern, you should identify yourself to facilitate communication; however, you may remain anonymous. The EFA guarantees the protection of your identity from third parties.~~

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# VOTING

## 7. REPORT OF THE FAN



# **Alpbach-born Youth Impact since last August**

Report on the Network's activities after the EFA25



# **EFA: Youth Engagement by Nature**

1945: except Simon Moser, every founder was <30 years



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[booklet.alpbach.network](http://booklet.alpbach.network)

**FAN** Forum  
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The European Forum Alpbach would not have been founded in 1945 without young visionaries. Meaning: There would instead be no Forum at all without its young leaders and dreamers. Over the past eight decades, the young Alpbach community has shaped the Forum and had an impact far beyond it. In this book, we look back, enjoy the moments, and think ahead. We reflect on the history of the Forum Alpbach Network, share a glimpse of its achievements, present its faces and create space for new members as we celebrate this incredible international community and its milestones.

Here's to critical voices, diversity, proactive leaders and open-mindedness. Here's to the Forum Alpbach Network!



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CELEBRATING THE FORUM ALPBACH NETWORK

**FAN-NIVERSARY**  
CELEBRATING THE FORUM ALPBACH NETWORK



 FAN Fall Conference in Innsbruck, Nov 7-9 2025.

# The FAN today

34 clubs · 78 countries covering thousands of alumni  
over 400 active volunteers · a Youth AND Regional network

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EFA BOARD

**Harald  
Stankov  
-Schöny**



EFA BOARD SAC

**Celina  
Moser**



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**Prosper  
Mageza**



SAC

**Nino  
Panjakidze**



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**Thomas  
Garnier**



SAB

**Melanie  
Kuhrn**

# New FAN Board 2025-28

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# Contributing to the EFA Program

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# FAN @EFA25

Highlights and Involvement

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## **A new round of impact projects led by alumni, supported by the Forum**

- 1. European Citizens' Assembly on a Wealth Cap**
- 2. Right to Dignity Alliance: filling loopholes in EU AI regulation to solve sexual deepfakes crisis.**
- 3. SpeakEU #PowerOfComplaining: a platform to complement the European Citizens' Initiative.**

Among 16 other IDEAS since 2022, highlights include:

- 👉 **Palumba:** Largest continental campaign to reduce abstention of young first-time voters in the 2024 European Elections.
- 👉 **FilterTheFuture.eu:** a global UN-EU coalition tackling one of the most overlooked sources of marine pollution.
- 👉 **Lawgic:** an AI tool to navigate the complex EU regulation
- 👉 **Unlocking Opps:** a sustainability career development network.



## Young people @EFA25

335 First-time scholarship holders

152 Financed by Clubs/IGs

165 Board Members

## Events by FAN @EFA25

8 FAN Slots + 8 FAN events in programme

110 Fireside chats with > 2000 participants

25 FANC events

FAN Awareness Initiative

Water Governance continuum

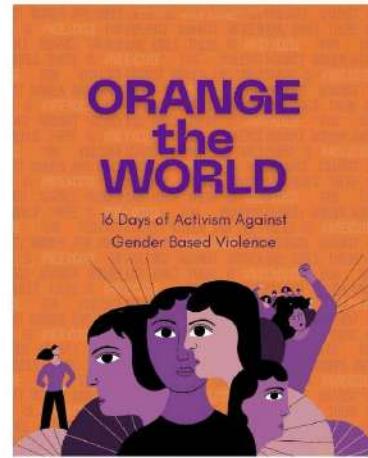
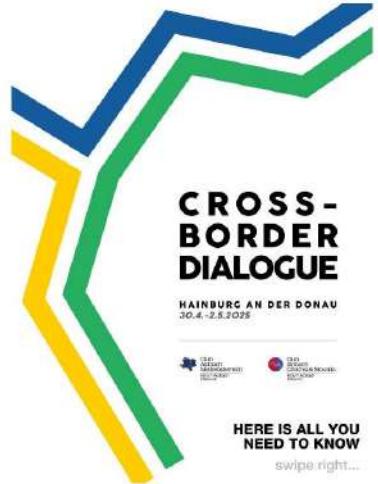
FAN Health events cluster



# The Scholarship Programme's impact staircase

A proven success story by PHINEO





# FAN Event Highlights

Our strengths are cross-country initiatives

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**There is no FAN  
without the EFA,  
but also no EFA  
without the FAN.**

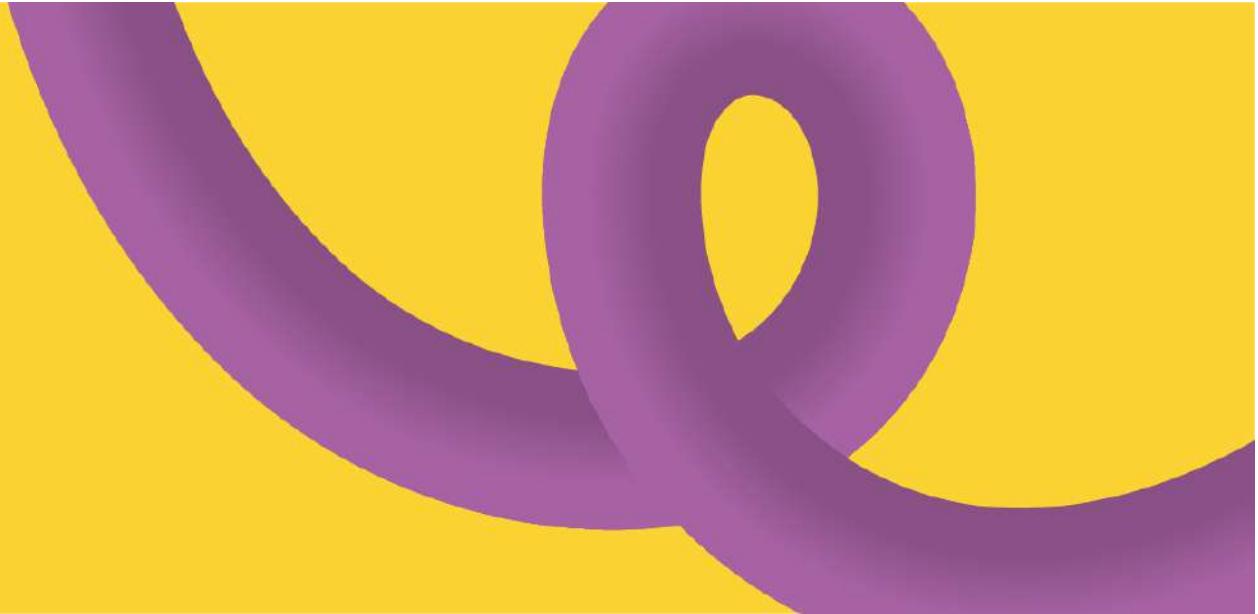
Let's work together  
towards another 80  
successful years ❤



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## 8. OUTLOOK EFA26



**BARBARA  
ZIMMERMANN**

**MANAGING DIRECTOR**



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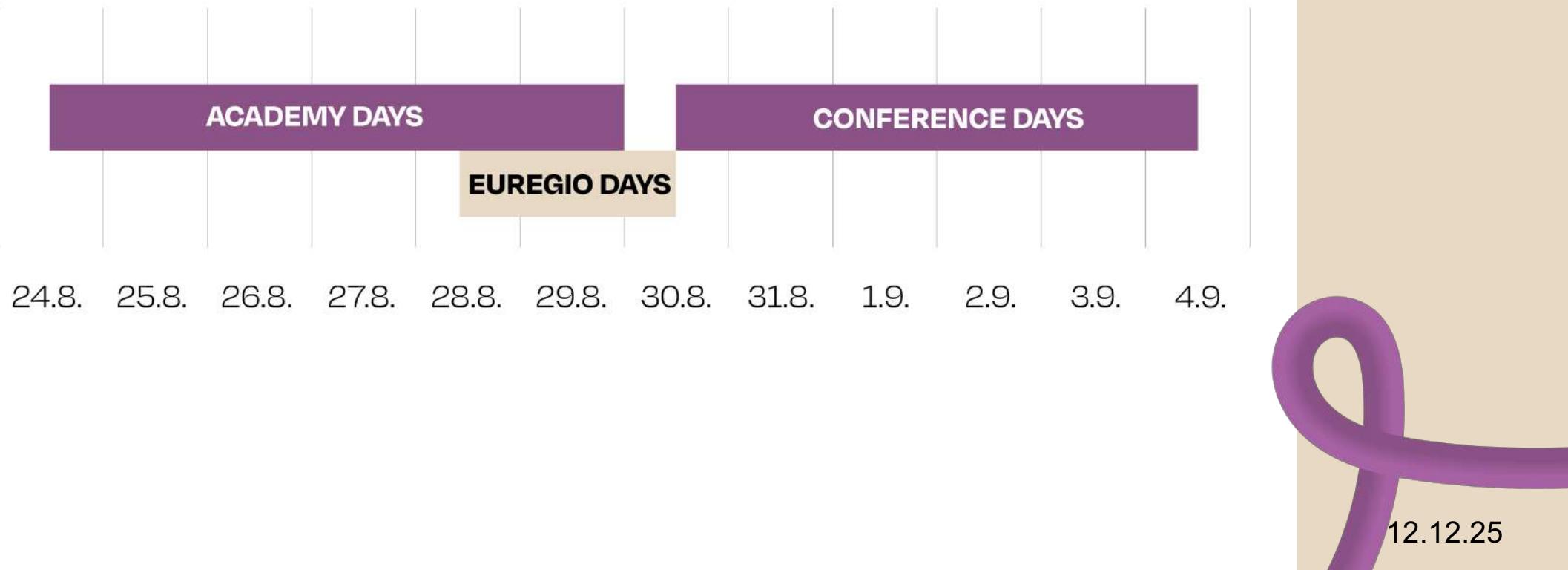
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## **PURPOSE OF ENHANCED STRUCTURE**

- More flexibility for participants and partners
- Abolishing silos, enhancing interdisciplinary work and exchange
- Building strong connections between the modules
- Strengthening role of European Regions
- Supporting local tourism by blocking fewer weekends

## EFA26 – TIME TABLE



## **EFA26 – DATES AT A GLANCE**

- ACADEMY Days: Monday, 24/8 until Saturday, 29/8
- EUREGIO Days: Friday, 28/8 until Sunday, 30/8
- Opening CONFERENCE Days: Sunday, 30/8 Afternoon
- CONFERENCE Days: Monday, 31/8 until Friday, 4/9
- AIM Module: Friday, 28/8 until Monday, 31/8



# EFA26 – CONTENT HOUSE

Theme of the Year:

**HOW EUROPE WINS**

Covered in 4 Tracks:

- Finance and Economy
- Democracy & Rule of Law
- Climate
- Security



Focused on 4 Topics:

- Technology & Infrastructure
- Funding & Resources
- Power to Act & Mobilisation
- Topical issue (tbd)



## **EFA26 – HIGHLIGHTS ACADEMY DAYS**

- Introducing new format for collaboration: Studios
- Transition from half-day modules to block-structure
- Strengthening Academy as intellectual foundation of EFA by aligning formats across 26/27
- Added value through HR-focused networking and social events



## **EFA26 – HIGHLIGHTS EUREGIO DAYS**

- At the centre of the EFA
- Reaching out to additional regions in Europe
- Mirroring formats and settings from other EFA modules



## **EFA26 – HIGHLIGHTS CONFERENCE DAYS**

- One ticket for the whole module
- Daily "Main Stage" with focus on one topic, plus a corresponding "Main Networking Event"
- Upgraded Closing with presentation of main results and outlook for upcoming EFA



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# ANTRAG ZELLER:

Die Generalversammlung beschließt die Einrichtung einer Arbeitsgruppe mit Mitgliedern des Vereins zur gemeinsamen Diskussion und Bearbeitung der Veränderungen (bzgl. Checks and Balances, Informationspflichten, Zustimmungsrechte etc.), um den bestehenden Bedenken sowie dem Anliegen um Transparenz gerecht zu werden.

Es sollen dieser Arbeitsgruppe alle dafür erforderlichen Unterlagen zur Verfügung gestellt werden.

Sie beauftragt den Vorstand des EFA-Vereins zu der Einrichtung ebendieser. Es sollen dabei zumindest jeweils 1 Mitglied aus den Advisory Boards (SAB, SAC, IAB) sowie des FAN vertreten sein. Vereinsmitglieder wenden sich bei Interesse an den Vorstand.

In der nächsten Generalversammlung soll darüber berichtet werden.

## 9. MISCELLANEOUS

Find all the download material at [www.alpbach.or/general-assembly](http://www.alpbach.or/general-assembly)

# 10. CLOSING REMARKS

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