

Dear President of the European International Movement, Dear Eva, Dear Members of the Board

48 hours after the Plenary of the Conference on the Future of Europe and after reflecting and exchanging impressions with other members of the CoFoE, I agree with some of my colleagues that the start of the Conference has not worked as we wanted. Furthermore, we are concerned that there will not be a new plenary for four months. Therefore, if the initiative is not taken, it will be very difficult to achieve the expected impact.

I am concerned because the objective of the Conference was a dialogue between citizens, civil society and representatives of the institutions on an equal footing and in the first Plenary there were no representatives of citizens, only 8 from civil society (although half of them were online) and 300 from the institutions. Today we do not have a complete list of who we are the participants in the Plenary of the Conference on the Future of Europe. Possibly half of the national events and half of the Economic and Social Committee and of the Regions have a position very similar to ours that will have to be grouped together. There is not even official information that the total number of the Plenary seems to have risen from 433 to 449.

Citizens, civil society and public opinion have not heard about the launch of the Conference on the Future of Europe. Therefore, taking into account that citizens have not yet been summoned, I believe that it is up to civil society and, especially, the European Movement to take the initiative to mobilize all sectors in this task. To do this, we must make an action plan for the next four months, but above all, a more determined action.

To this end, I propose some measures: the first to apply for a representative of civil society and the International European Movement to join the Board, since the three co-presidents have been unable to connect with public opinion in this first initiative. It is necessary that other actors participate in the Board. 48 hours later there is still no repercussion. Secondly, I am deeply concerned that the Parliament and Commission offices are completely turned away and in the set of activities scheduled for this summer, at least in Spain, where there are many, none of the 20 representatives have been invited Spaniards at the Conference on the Future of Europe. Not a single promotional activity for the Conference is scheduled.

Thirdly, I am particularly concerned that the working groups are only preceded by the institutions. This goes against the initial objective of the initial balance between citizens, civil society and representatives of the institutions and, above all, when they are not having any dynamic capacity. The announcements on the Digital Platform are neither having any repercussion on public opinion, nor do they explain what the Conference on the Future of Europe is, its objective, nor which are its members.

For all these reasons, I ask you for an urgent meeting of the Board or, where appropriate, of a working group to take the initiative for the Conference on the Future of Europe and make clear requests as soon as possible by signing as many of the documents as possible. members of the Executive Committee of the Conference on the Future of Europe.

Best regards,

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