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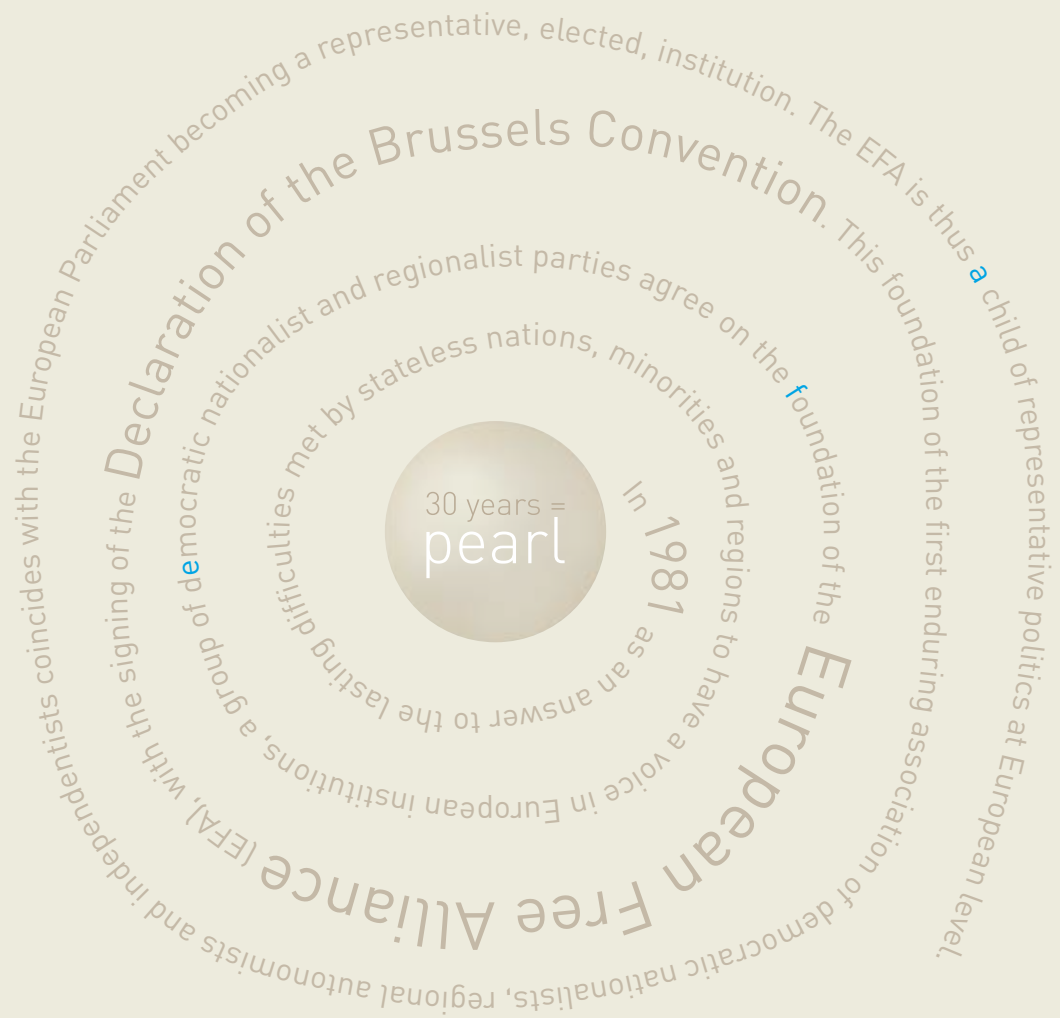
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The European Free Alliance:
The voice of nations and
peoples of Europe





30 years EFA!

For more than one reason I, as president of the European Free Alliance (EFA), am very happy today.

There are many reasons to celebrate. First of all, I am particularly proud to pay tribute to our European political party EFA, which has borne fruit over its 30 years of life. Secondly as a history professor, I feel it is also my duty to bring to your attention the 60 years preceding EFA. During 2011 fifteen of our member parties celebrate important anniversaries. Finally I believe whilst we celebrate our 30th anniversary, holding our breath and reviewing the progress, the steps forward, the acknowledgments of our political family, we also have to look forward to the future.

1920-1980

Our story starts in 1920, the year of the poppy, the year Maurits Coppieters was born. He became the first EFA Member of the European Parliament. 1920 is a landmark for peace and for

EFA. One of EFA's cornerstone principles has always been peace and peaceful political action. In 1921, our oldest EFA member party the *Partito Sardo d'Azione* (the Sardinian action party) was founded. This year they celebrate their 90th anniversary.

During the period 1920-1980, nearly half of our current members started as political parties, which preceded our European political party. *PLAID Cymru* was founded in 1925; and in 1931 *ERC*, (which celebrates 80 years in 2011) together with the *SNP* in 1934.

Right after the Second World War, these were followed by the German Minority party in Danmark (*Schleswig Partei*) in 1945 and the Danish minority party in Germany (*Südschleswiger Wählerverband SSW*) in 1946; the *Bayernpartei* was also set up in 1946 and also celebrates 65 years in 2011. All of them have become EFA members in recent years.

In 1951 *Mebyon Kernow* was founded, they celebrate 60 years of political action this year. *Volksunie*, the Flemish nationalist party, was founded in 1954 and was the most important motor and catalysing factor before EFA was created and thus continued for its first two decades of action.

In the sixties it was the turn of the *Fryske Nasjonale party* (FNP) in 1962, *Union Démocratique Bretonne* (UDB) in 1964 and the *Partido Andalucista* (PA) in 1965 to be set up and in the seventies parties like the *Movimento Autonomist Occitano* in 1970 (later *VVAP* and *Partit Occitan - POC*), the *Mouvement Region Savoie* (MRS) in 1971, (it enjoys its 40th anniversary this year), *Enotna Lista* and *Slovenska Skupnost* in 1975, *PSM* (Mallorca) in 1976 (35th Anniversary this year), *UPC* (later *Partitu di a Nazione Corsa - PNC*) in Corsica in 1977.

Together, some of these 18 parties created a discerning group, in the run up to the first direct European elections in 1979 and began forming the European Free Alliance. In 1979, the European Parliament, which for decades had remained a consultative assembly with no legislative powers, became one of the most powerful legislatures in the world. During the following 30 years, EFA would invest in that political space and would become an active part of this crucial European political arena.

1981-2011

EFA fundamentally fights for the freedom of peoples and nations. We also strive for the equality of nations, cultures and languages. EFA has fought for freedom for 30 years, real

freedom for all peoples of Europe, and is deeply committed to fight for another 30 years more. Of course, EFA's activity and political involvement did not start in Parliament. One of EFA's driving principles is self-determination. We promote the emergence of truly constructive interactions between Europe's Nations, peoples, communities and citizens, by claiming collective rights, more autonomy and very often full independence.

Such cohesion is only possible if such internal diversity is itself governed by the same demands of tolerance, recognition and solidarity that EFA is externally advocating.

This idea began to take shape over 30 years ago and politically crystallized when EFA's fundamental principles were first expressed and synthesized in the 1979 Declaration of Bastia, eloquently stressing its attachment to a Europe of Peoples... not actual States, Peoples! This historic declaration also emphasised the importance of protecting the collective rights and dignity of these hitherto unrecognized, and often to various degrees, repressed Peoples.

This vision and programme for Europe arose from a constant, dynamic and thorough groundwork of militants, on which the EFA of 2011 can still rely. EFA's success is a clear expression of the quality of the work achieved by our European mosaic

of militancy. This is constantly fed and updated by dynamic youth movements, who ensure that our vision, aims and work always stay up to date, relevant, accurate, and fully connected to the best vibrations of this fantastic European continent, its immediate surroundings, and the rest of World, to which Europe is and should always be linked to in full solidarity and rich interdependence.

EFA itself is diverse. EFA members interpret a rich manifold of European collective realities, backgrounds, real power, and hopes. It has always been important for every EFA member to ensure internal cohesion among members and partners. Such cohesion is only possible if such internal diversity is itself governed by the same demands of tolerance, recognition and solidarity that EFA is externally advocating. EFA's success in doing so has made its lasting and active presence possible in the whole European political arena.

It is also a clear sign of maturity that EFA can now count on the forward looking expertise and analysis provided by the Foundation Centre Maurits Coppieters (CMC). The CMC is a 'Political Foundation at European Level' and has been recognized by the European Parliament since 2007. The CMC works in close cooperation with its member organizations and the European Free Alliance as a platform for new ideas. As such, this young and dynamic foundation is ensuring that EFA will always be linked to the best, most groundbreaking and stimulating visions, whose implementation EFA remains responsible for.

To conclude, EFA could not neglect the fact that, while EFA is

looking back over its 30 years of life and looking forward to the next 30, other Peoples near to Europe are *literally fighting*, taking on the ultimate danger possible which could mean losing their own lives, to enjoy political and personal freedom, by democratically living together and taking decisions. The ineffectiveness, a tragedy in itself, of repression and regime driven brutality is in effect showing what constant and lasting energy is displayed by people and Peoples fighting for emancipation, rights and true democracy.

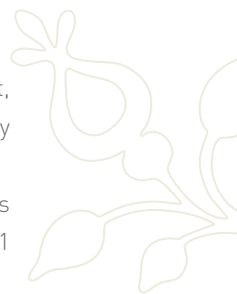
The next 30 years in the future will be described as a time, where through powerful basic democratic movements, new states within the current European borders of 2011, emerged and gained independence. EFA promotes this democratic wave and develops what we call Europe's internal enlargement even further, which at the same time is a true strengthening of the European Union.

It would be neither decent nor clever at the end of a turbulent 2011, to mention the journey of our own Peoples' emancipation, without sparing a thought for our Palestinian, Kurdish, Tibetan,... brothers and sisters, who have courageously chosen such a harsh political journey, and an even steeper and much more perilous path towards their emancipation.

Eric Defoort,
President of EFA, The European political party



European Parliament, Brussels
9th of November 2011

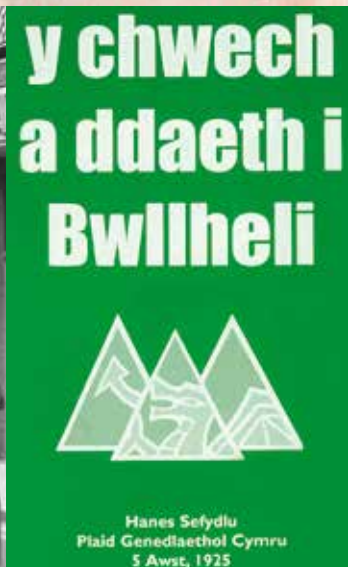
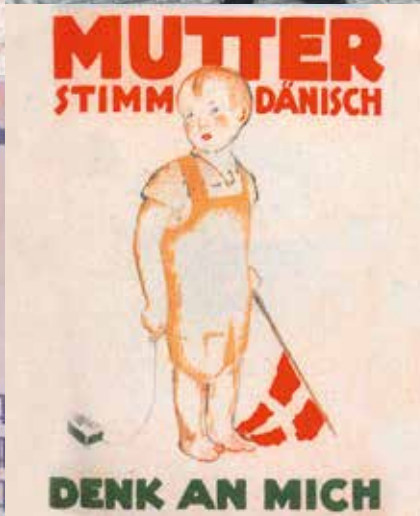


The answer
to difference is to
respect it!

Therein lies a
most fundamental
principle of peace:
respect.
diversity.

John Hume,
winner of the Nobel Peace Prize 1998

1920-
the years preceding EFA
1980





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1 Poster of PSM from 1976 2 Election campaign FNP; 1966, Balk 3 Demonstration in Galiza against nuclear energy; 1977 4 Demonstration for the Sardinian language; 1975 5 Posters of campaign for the Galician statute of 1936 6 Poster of campaign of ERC; 1936 7 Election Poster from 1920 8 Foundation of Enotna Lista under the motto 'eknako pravno' (equal rights); 1975 9 Poster of 'The Poppy'; 1920 10 Maurits Coppieters. First on the list for Volksunie for the European elections of 1979 11 Electoral poster of the Bayern Partei (BP); 1949 12 Fishermen protest in Prenzance, Cornwall; 1978 13 Plaid Cymru poster on 'The six men of Pwllheli'; 1925 14 Poster of 1980 demanding the Autonomy for Occitania 15 'Vor danske fremtids vej' (The way to our Danish future). SSW's poster from the 1950's

SNP candidate Winnie Ewing, in the campaign for the European elections in 1979

'Je serai
votre
Député
Européen'

Maurits Coppieters, 1979,
Bastia, Corsica

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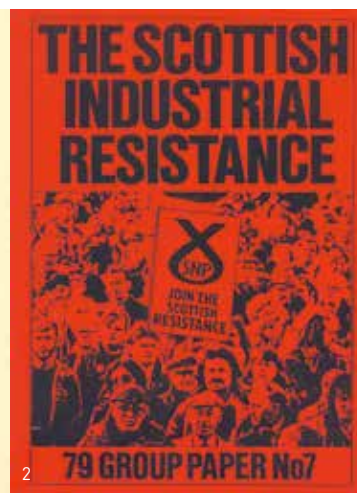
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1981

1 Strasbourg, 9th of July 1981,
Foundation of EFA with 9 Partners
signing 2-3 Brussels, 8-10 January
1981, EFA study days with
fltr J. Cevaer, Yann Fouéré,
F. Clavelly; fltr F. Clavelly,
M. Coppieters, Y. Fouéré



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1982

1 Sassari, Cover of Quaderni Sardista from PSd'Az, Contribution to the knowledge on the doctrine of Sardism and its finality
2 Edinburgh, The Scottish industrial resistance, 79 group, nr7, with introduction by A. Salmond
3 Riazor, A Coruña, foundation meeting BNG

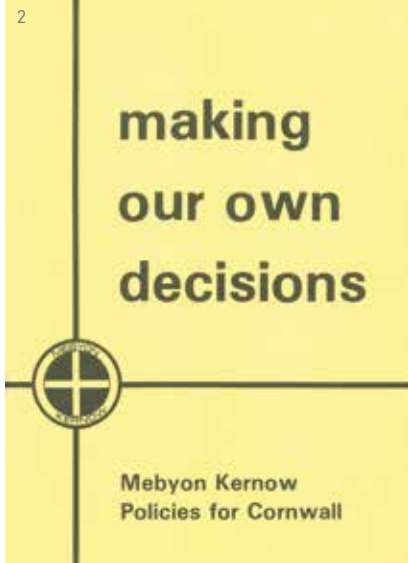
1983



1 Brussels, Press Conference, J Vandemeulebroucke and Y. Fouéré 2-4 Saint-Vincent, Aoste, 6th round table on Regionalism, Yann Fouéré 3 Brussels, EFA visit to the Belgian Parliament, J. Vandemeulebroucke



1984



- 1 Vitoria-Gasteiz, re-election C. Garaikoetxea as Lehendakari
- 2 Cornwall, publication Mebyon Kernow, Making our own decisions
- 3 Ljouwert, FNP vision on Europe





Strasbourg, visit of FNP with
R. Falkena to EFA group
with J. Vandemeulebroucke
and W. Kuijpers

1985



1986

Saragossa, Foundation of Chunta
Aragonesista, National assembly

EFA liket striidorganisaasje foar in oar Europa te wurden

Eile, Frjje Alliansje, Lytse folken, minder steat! Al hoe fier ek de distansje, Efta fan jierne is in keur. It is kening fan de folken, Itend yn frjje wil te bin. As in blip yn de wolven. Sines jom op Europei grin.

Eile, Frjje Alliansje, Itid it keur fan steat. Four elts lytse folk de gerdje. I Rocht op eigen aard en taal. Wyl yn sterk en moedich stryden. I Moedich wile en frjje. Fan de rom't en i rjocht op lyden. Fan elts frjheidsoerpjend folk.

Lytse folken fan Europa. It is grutte partment. Iten i'm i fad fan nije hope, Dat it did gebruse fan de gerdje. Itend de strid four rjocht en rede. It yn goef en goud geat. Strjke volken net en frjje. Iten fien i'm de takomst freat.

It wie wat spjits, dat dit fern, makke troch dy Drachster lea, ear en delter Klas Bruinma net kinken hat op de wize fan Bert-hoven's Ode en die Frjnde, alle stersken warden. Itend, op de stogjen fan de konferinsje fan de Europeanske Frjje Alliansje, Itend-lytse 13 febrewaris yn Sealen Schaaf yn Ljouwert. It Grouster Kaar, dat de jiu mei opfieren, hat it moat en stridli bringe kinnen. Mar delter wie de tid te koert. Klas Bruinma hat it fern, doer de yndruk fan de steat op de luse konferinsje, pas yn de rin fan de freeds makke. Soel Falkena hat it no plechtich foardroegen.

De FNP'er Bruinma, dy't ear-der jierren lang lid west hat fan de PSP, ferlitte mei syn liat op tred-likke wize de gefoelens fan de steatsgrinzen hanne grunde solidari-ten en bevoer- en waterskip, dy't der op de konferinsje fan de EFA beurdte. Fierste de EFA is berne út it ferret fan nasjonal-tyke en regionalistyske groepen-ningen. Mar it is krekt as it dat nasjonalisme op de eftergrin-ningen, en ferfongen troch in steat fan ynternasjonalsme.

Men so tinke kinnen, dat de kien der by de EFA yn al, dat dis-ke allinige him ferlaan soe te in nije belangorganisaasje, dy't in-dividuel en allinich opfoert hat de regio's, der de oandachten par-tijen wei komme. Ek dat so noch net sa kin wile, mar der is wyl folle wilstentlikers oan de gong. De EFA liket him te ginsjen as in erindorganisaasje foar in allinige-tyl Europa, en kin dêrtroch wurde in wichtige fjerde streming yn de Europeanske polityk.

Jelle Breuker, fertintwurd-ger fan de FNP op de EFA-konfe-rensje, beocht ditte 'oer steat-tyk ûnder wurden yn syn by-tydke in de distansje oer de soepale polityk fan de Europeanske Mien-skip. Hy sei: 'Wyl sturte yn al in par-tijen op de oerhearsk, oer be-keste saken mei oaren mien-skip-ke te heden omdat der oer net echt effektyf bestryd wurde kin. De wyl sturte op de moedige nee-tych 'hacht' oer de mien-skip-ke.

It te dragen in ûnderlinge solida-riten, yn prinsipe mei alle bewen-ten fan disse wrâld.

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Ditte útspraken fan Jelle Breu-ker, sturte de stelling, dat de EFA yndiel meir is as de oarjen fan de grantelede duden, en dat de allinige him yndiel ginsjen yn de boppe ikerste rjochting. En dat soe wyl in grutte yndiel hawwe kin-ke op it tinken yn de ûnderste par-tijen, dy't dochs noch wyl wat polityk ferlaan ferlaan. Der hanne hiel stridlike lusse by, mar ek wat hoedener groepen-ningen. Dêren krekt is it sa op-merklik, dat de Konvinsje fan Brussel, der i alle by de EFA oen-stanten par-tijen fan digen, sa'n lusse geat hat.

In sitat út de konvinsje om dat te ûnderstrekken: 'De leden van alle staten sturte op alle saak-foarsterevende rechtevaardig-heidspar-tijen. Dit beketen oer steatsgrinzen, as de rechtevaardig-heid fan kenne, beiz en macht, gruppelid fan de waerde-ning van de persoanlike creativi-tyt, wurklat en geestlike frj-heid. Dene opstelling ferret dat alle belang- en mien-skip-ke konflikten meide geitend wou-der, oan radikale rechtevaardig-heidsprincipes. Darsom verwerpt de EFA de veruoderde politike hannelwile. Tander com-wo, as oer oergride privileg-ien en tegenswer oerrechtvaardig-heden die door oene sociale ver-kelemechanismen worden voort-geleacht, saal de EFA een rechte-vaardig inkomen- en ver-kelemechanismen. De eerste aandacht soet daarby gien naar de mien-skip-ke en de kenne in de saak-foarsterevende.

Tipe wichtich is yn it EFA-tin-ken ek it plak, dy't it wurk y-nunt, in de huidige social-eco-nomische steatsje, gekenmerkt he-wel dose grute werkloosheid als door saakle technologische ont-wikkeling, yn het verwen-skip-ken van het recht op arbeid, het humanieren van de arbeid, de be-waardening van de handels-keid en het skeppen van een nenne arbeidsmoralis ûndag-ingen waarop een antwoord moet worden geyven. De beverdeling van de arbeid en het skeppen van nenne arbeid yn darsin absolute priensien, het oerren van co-op-erazjen kan hietoe bydra-ge.

De EFA wyl in dêldele be-we-ging der moat in Europees be-wald komme, mar tagely moat de autonomy fan de folken en op-ke ikerend wurde. De rjochten fan de lytse minderheden, dy't yn dêldele fanre kenne, moate yndruklik erkend wurde. En dat nije Europa mei him net bekeste te de bysidenende Euro-peeske Mien-skip, ek East-Europa heet derby, mar dan wyl op de grûnliklik fan fan centralisa-je en demokrasy. De EFA wyl bepedet solidit wile, met alle volke-ien in Europa en in de we-rield, die lyden onder hannel-ke dictatorial heerskippen' en dy-folken, 'de economich en social op weg yn naar een volledige mien-skip-ke.

'De EFA leat yn de waarde fan de geweltlose stridmide yn de politike akte yn wyl stadichwei di, en ombou fan de wapenryndry en it mil-itêre apparat. It hâldt in aktive ynter-kele lussewaping en de ôfhou fan de militêre mach-tibloeken yn. 'Als doochebring-ving voor de ganne mensheid is de n-cleaire bewapening voor de EVA een absolute kwaad dat met alle modellen moet worden ugrage-gaan,' netten de konvinsje.

Sadwaande ek, dat der op de konferinsje yn Ljouwert om-ten-ken wie foar Frylân en Koriaka, foar de Koerden en Somalern, foar de strid fan de Vindaren yn Amerika en de beweging yn de kennewepenen yn Wales. De EFA seget fier boppe i belang fan de regio's út. Saak is no, dat ek doudik te mienten oan minken, dy't net yn Frylân, net yn Fretl, Skandina-ve of de Val d'Aoste, wene, mar yn Amsterdam, Keulen of Londen. Foar haren sa i EFA-allymeryt krekt like wieboch as foar de sa-nenne 'minderheden' oer ten-lytste de lusse eltsenien him op de EFA-konferinsje ûngelikkich oer dit wurd, eltsenien ferl him sammestidli lid fan in mearder-heid. Fretten hanne yn Frylân syn minderheids kenne as lere fan yn lere fan de Flammen dat yn Flaanderen bennet.

Fan in hâlling is by de sa-re-nen-ke 'saakle' media moate Amsterdamers it net be. Der wie op de eerste dei fan de EFA-kon-ferinsje in plech fan i NCB-poe-ster fan de steat der i kenne kenne.

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Jelle Breuker



Klas Bruinma

1987



1 Ljouwert, article Leeuwarder Courant on EFA General Assembly and 25 years FNP 2 Basque Country, Carlos Garaikoetxea giving a speech



1988

Brussels, EFA General Assembly
with among them H. Gourmelin,
G. Alirol, B. Lasagabaster,
J. Evans, P. Kylan, D. Williams,
M. Simeoni, F. Moschenross

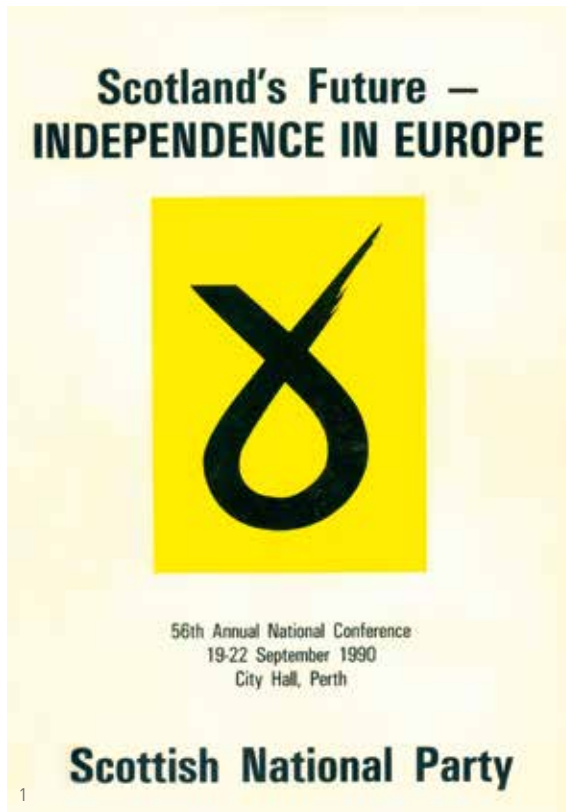


1989

1 Brussels, preparing the EP elections, Jill Evans, J. Vandemeulebroucke, Peter Kylan 2 Donostia, speech of Garaikoetxea after EFA General assembly meeting in Bilbao

1990

1 Perth, SNP Conference,
Scotland's future - Independence
in Europe 2-3 Brno, mass
demonstration in favor of Moravian
identity, speech of Boleslav Bárta





1991

1 Brussels, EFA meets Lithuanian President Landsbergis, J. Vandemeulebroucke and M. Simeoni 2 Strasbourg, European Parliament, speech Carlos Garaikoetxea



1992

1 Teruel, Congress of Chunta Aragonesista 2 Barcelona, Rainbow group meeting and Conference on the Construction of the European Union



1 Santiago, BNG group in the Galician Parliament, Xosé-Manuel Beiras (in the middle) 2 Cardiff, EFA General Assembly, G. Alirol, B. Bro, K. Gyonvarch and B. Staes 3 Cardiff, EFA GA, group picture

1993



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1 Scotland, European election campaign, Winnie Ewing 2 Corsica, UPC book on Internal autonomy for the Corsican people 3 Lerin, Athens finally recognizing Rainbow-Vinozhito party, Macedonian minority 4 Saragossa, dia Aragonese, National day

1994



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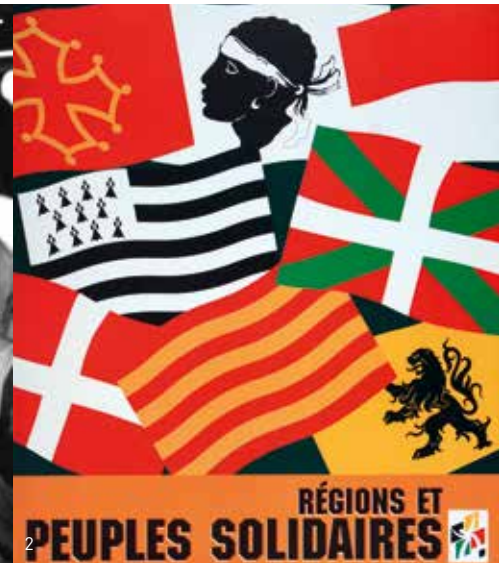
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1995

- 1 Saragossa, election night
- 2 Foundation Régions et Peuples Solidaires R&PS, posters with flags of regions
- 3 Revelation of FNP election program by Winnie Ewing
- 4 ERC governmental program, 'Force, towards independence'

1996

1 Strasbourg, R&PS delegation, among them G. Alirol, J-C. Angelini, F. Alfonsi
2 Barcelona, General Assembly EFA, group picture
3 Poster of the 50th Anniversary of BayernPartei





1997

1 Scotland, Yes campaign for a Scottish parliament 2 YES YES campaign for more powers 3 Yes for Wales 4 Map with results of the YES vote in the Welsh referendum



1-2-4 San Martino di Lupari,
 Foundation Congres of Liga Veneta
 (currently Liga Veneto Repubblica),
 Fabrizio Comencini and
 Praesidium fltr Roccon, Morosin,
 Serrena, Signorini and Mafroi
 3 Savoy, Renaissance savoisienne,
 Patrice Abeille, le livre blanc
 5 Cardiff, EFA General Assembly,
 among others: Winnie Ewing, Jill
 Evans, José-Luis Linzazasoro,
 Roelof Falkena, Nelly Maes and
 Neil Fergusson

1998



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Eleccions al Parlament de Catalunya 1999

Resum del programa



1 Edinburg, Winnie Ewing and Sean Connory, scene from Documentary, as the oldest member she was to re-convene the Scottish Parliament

2 Barcelona, 'Aire Fresc' (Fresh wind), ERC program for the Catalan Parliament 3 Edinburgh, Scottish parliament reconvened, members Scottish parliament

4 Cahier du Peuple Breton, 'La Bretagne, j'y crois! Je lui donne du pouvoir, Un statut politique pour la Bretagne'

1999

2000

1 Brussels, 9 November, First Summit of EFA ministers, party leaders and members of Parliament. Presentation of EFA Declaration of Brussels. Among them: Neil MacCormick, Gorka Knörr, Jose-Luis Linazasoro, Nelly Maes, Carod Rovira and Gustave Alirol 2 Cardiff, Plaid Cymru Towards 2000, Programme for Wales in Europe



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1 Cornwall, Mebyon Kernow petition campaign in support of a Cornish assembly 2 Strasbourg, EFA group with Gorka Knörr, Josu Ortuondo, Eurig Wynn, Carlos Bautista, Bart Staes, Jill Evans, Camilo Nogueira, Neil MacCormick, Nelly Maes and Ian Hudghton 3 Strasbourg, Nelly Maes returning Savoy war medals to the President of the EP, the French politician Nicole Fontaine, 'We died for France but it is no longer our country' 4 Brussels, revelation of the logo and name of N-VA (Nieuw Vlaamse Alliantie) by interim president Geert Bourgeois 5-6 Brussels, EFA meeting EP, with Yves Jardin, Gorka Knörr and Ian Hudghton, Begoña Lasagabaster, Tamara Muruetagoiena, Atanasio Parisis and Patrice Abeille

2001

SNP

The History of the Scottish National Party

Peter Lynch



1 Barcelona, EFA Conference on the Rights of Peoples in the New Europe, Nelly Maes, EFA President (1998-2010), Gorka Knörr (EA)

2 Edinburgh, SNP, The history of the Scottish National Party, Book of Peter Lynch with among them Alex Salmond, Angus Robertson and John Swinney

2002





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2003

1 Brno, EFAY meeting Diversity is richness, among them EFAY President Jonas Dutordoir, EFAY coordinator Eva Mendoza and future EFAY coordinator Eva Bidania 2 Cornwall, Mebyon Kernow candidates prepare the campaign 3 Brussels, Manifestation with CHA delegation 4 Sevilla, Andalucía says: No to the war (in Iraq), Partido Andalucista 5 Brussels, Conference of EFA: 'New impuls for Europe's linguistic diversity' 6 Strasbourg, EFA group, MEP's and staff and assistants 7 Aland islands, Alands Framtid presenting its candidates for the first election campaign

2004

1-3-4 Brussels, First General Assembly of EFA as a recognized European political party, European Parliament; EFA delegations from Veneto, Trieste, Südtirol, Sardinia with Comencini, Stoka, Klotz, Piretta; Praesidium: fltr Eva Mendoza, Günther Dauwen (EFA co-directors), Nelly Maes (EFA President), Ian Hughton (EFA Vice-President) 2. Riga, manifestation of students in favor of Russian language education





2005

1 Perpignan, Cartoon from Unitat Catalana and CDC, Septimania no existeix 2 Corsica, Days of Arritti with Fabiana Giovannini, Nelly Maes and François Alfonsi 3 Rennes, EFA General Assembly in the Regional Assembly of Bretagne, Jill Evans, Nelly Maes, Gustave Alirol and Günther Dauwen 4 Nant Gwrtheyrn, visit to Welsh language centre, Ian Hudghton, Jill Evans, and President Carl Clowes 5 Brignogan, Summer university Régions et Peuples Solidaires in Bretagne, among them Kristian Guyonvarch, Nelly Maes, Janet Davies and Yves Jardin

2006



- 1 Brussels, Welsh delegation with Jill Evans, in European Parliament for 25th anniversary EFA
- 2 Barcelona, mass manifestation against the Madrid rejection of the new Statute, 'We are a nation'
- 3 Brno, signing ceremony new party Moravana, with first President Pavel Dohnal
- 4 München, 60th Anniversary of Bayernpartei, speech Thomas Hummel

2007

1 Brussels, logo with poppy (peace symbol) of the new 'Centre Maurits Coppieters', European political Foundation connected to EFA **2** Aurich, Die Friesen banner: Social, Frisian and free **3** Bozen, sticker campaign of the newly founded Südtiroler Freiheit, South Tirol is not Italy!





- 1 Turgu Mures, Transylvania, Conference after entry of Laszlo Tökes in the EFA group, EFA group President Ian Hudghton and MEP Tökes
- 2 Edinburgh, Neil McCormick speaking to visitors of Ligue Savoissienne in Scottish Parliament
- 3 Cornwall, unitary? No! Cornish Assembly? Yes! Mebyon Kernow action
- 4 Caraglio, Football poster, Occitania versus Monaco
- 5 Brno, Moraviana poster against Prague centralism

2008



2009

1 Brussels, investiture hearing in EFA-Greens group with Barroso on his second mandate in the European Commission, with Jill Evans 2 Eupen, ProDG candidates elected in the regional elections 3 EFA group with 7 members, new in the EFA group Oriol Junqueras, Frieda Brepoels and François Alfonsi 4 Brussels, demonstration (10.000 Mil a Bruxelles per l'autodeterminacio) for Catalunya 28th member state in the EU 5 Madrid, Europa de los Pueblos agreement, joint list for EP elections, Ana Miranda, Oriol Junqueras, Iñaki Irazabalbeitia, Pura Peris, Miguel Martinez, Sabin Intxaurreaga



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2010

- 1 Santiago de Compostella, mass demonstration in favor of Galician language
- 2 Brussels, EFA party and EFA group presidents Nelly Maes and Jill Evans meeting President of the EU Council Herman Van Rompuy
- 3 Perth, EFA fringe meeting 'Talking Independence' in SNP Conference
- 4 Bozen, Südtiroler Freiheit campaign on double nationality
- 5 Brussels, EFA group Conference on Independence, European Parliament
- 6 Venice, Press Conference of Nord Est, Fabrizio Comencini
- 7 Riga, Campaign of the party For Human rights in a united Latvia



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2011

1 Edinburgh, electoral tsunami in Scotland, SNP winning 69 seats and an overall majority, central Alex Salmond 2 Llandudno, Plaid Cymru President Jill Evans in Conference after winning the Welsh referendum for more powers 3 Brussels, Conference of the EFA group, 'From Nations to Member States' 4 Barcelona, new ERC executive with new President Oriol Junqueras 5 Bilbao, election meeting of Bildu 6 Basque Country, Bildu Logo 7 Logo campaign Yes for Wales 8 Barcelona, end of Referendum Campaign on Independence, 10 April



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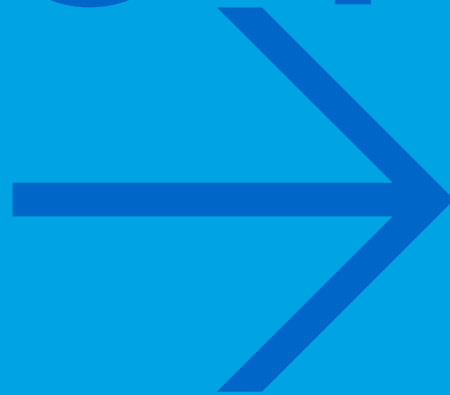
EFA President Eric Defoort,
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'Stop
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EFA wants to
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After Winnie Ewing in 1967 saying
'Stop the world, Scotland wants to get on'

2011

EFA works for and
with its members





1 Günther Dauwen and Eva Bidania, campaign for AF (Ålands Framtid). 14 April 2011, Mariehamn, Åland 2 5th Autonomy March in Silesia. 16 July 2011, Katowice 3 EFA-CMC Conference on Tax Autonomy. fltr: Danko Švorinić, Denis Pesut, Günther Dauwen, Tatjana Zdanoka, Frieda Brepoels, Dan Milosevic. 18 February 2011, Rijeka 4 EFA Group external meeting. fltr: Tatjana Zdanoka, Ian Hudghton, Jill Evans, Joan Puigcercós, François Alfonsi, Frieda Brepoels, Oriol Junqueras. June 2011, Barcelona 5 FNP Campaign for regional election on 2 March 2011. Hendrik Ten Hoeve (left) and Douwe Bijlsma (right) 6 Jong N-VA and N-VA protests against the illegalization of Bildu. 5 May 2011; Spanish Embassy, Brussels 7 EFA stand in the European Parliament's Open door day. Antonia Luciani (left) and Emma Arrighi (right) 8 May 2011, Brussels 8 'La Sovranità dei Popoli in Europa' Conference. Fltr: Marc Hendrickx, François Alfonsi, Eric Defoort, Giovanni Colli, Sebastian Colio, Ana Luisa Bouza. 30 April 2011, Cagliari 9 EFA and EFAY representatives in the demonstration for a Free Tibet. 6th October, 2011, Brussels

EFA General Assembly, 15th April 2011, Mariehamn, Åland



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of the voiceless
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in 2011





1 Unser Land (UL) Demonstration "2011: Création du Parlement d'Alsace 1911". 21th of May 2011, Strasbourg 2 80th Anniversary of ERC. Fltr: Anna Simó, Jordi Carbonell, Joan Puigcercós, Victor Torres, Heribert Barrera, Joan Ridao, Jordi Portabella. 19 March 2011, Barcelona 3 60th Anniversary of Mebyon Kernow (MK). Dick Cole (left) and Ann Jenkin (right). 22 January 2011, Camborne 4 25th Anniversary of CHA. 26 March 2011, Zaragoza 5 Logo of the 25th Anniversary of PSM (2001). On 12 March 2011, PSM has celebrated its 35th Anniversary in Algaida, Mallorca 6 Protest demonstration of Ligue Savoissienne (LS) on the 150th Anniversary of the annexation of Savoie to France 7 Unser Land cartoon for autonomy 8 Logo of the 25th Anniversary of Eusko Alkartasuna (EA). 18 September 2011, Lizarrar 9 75th Anniversary of the Galician statute of 1936. 25 June 2011, Santiago 10 25th Anniversary of Unitat Catalana (UC). Toni Strubell, Brice Lafontaine and Anna Arqué (centre), together with UC's board members. 3 July 2011, Perpignan 11 11th Anniversary of Lista Za Rijeku (LZR). Danko Švorinić (front) with LZR activists. 31 August 2011, Rijeka 12 90th Anniversary of Partito Sardo d'Azione (PSd'Az). 8 May 2011, Cagliari

10th Anniversary of N-VA. N-VA president Bart de Wever addressing N-VA activists. 11 September 2011, Bokrijk, Flanders

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'We are a nation, we decide'
Action against the rejection
of the Catalan statute 2006

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EFA prepares the future



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1 Campaign for the referendum on more powers for the Welsh Assembly. Ieuan Wyn Jones and Jill Evans (centre). 5 March 2011, Wales 2 2011 EFA president Gernika agreement. 'Gernika Agreement' event. Eric Defoort addresses the audience. 28 February 2011, Donostia 3 Banner Partido Andalucista 4 Logo Autonomie Liberté Participation Écologie (ALPE) 5 MRS and ALPE representatives in the second summit of 'Mont Dolent'. 26 November 2010, Gignod, Vallée d'Aoste 6 Slovenska Skupnost press conference on the abolition of the electoral act. 12 September 2011, Gorizia 7 Omo Ilünden Pirin gathering for Yane Sandanski. 17 April 2011, Melnic 8 SNP Conference. Winnie Ewing and Eric Defoort. 16 October 2010, Perth 9 CMC Bureau. Fltr: Alan Sandry, Josep Vall, Günther Dauwen, Xabier Macías, Miguel Martínez Tomey, Roccu Garoby. 16 September 2011, Lerin 10 Marek Chelchowski (left), representative of Lausitzer Alliance (LA) and Jurijs Petropavlovskis (right) representative of PCTVL/FHRUL at EFA GA. 15 April 2011, Mariehamn, Åland

5th Autonomy March in Silesia. 16 July 2011, Katowice



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