

## JEF Belgium Activity Report 2017

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On 14 January 2017, the national board of JEF Belgium was elected for the working year 2017. Since that date seven Board members have dedicated hard work and never ending energy to the level of federalism in Belgium. Together we took care of various activities. We hope that our members enjoyed the ride as much as we did. Hereby you find our activity report for 2017.

### **Administration**

- ✓ Simplification of the membership application process and follow-up;
- ✓ Fresh look to the website;
- ✓ Facebook presence: 1515 => 2149 likes, an increase of **42%** (1<sup>st</sup> Jan – 30<sup>th</sup> Nov)
- ✓ Effective Mailchimp newsletters;

### **March for Europe**

In celebration of the 60 anniversary of the treaty of Rome, Europeans from all across Europe gathered in Rome for a weekend to celebrate Europe but mostly to set a new destination for the European project and its future. *“Federazione Europea SU-BI-TO!”*

### **Expanding the federalist network**

- ✓ Partnership with the European Citizen Platform (ECP)
- ✓ Partnership with Pulse for Europe
- ✓ Partnership with ACMOS (for 2018)
- ✓ Partnership with several Erasmus+ grant projects

### **Open doors Day at the EP in Brussels**

This year again, JEF Belgium teamed up with EMB at the Entrance point. Bystanders were encouraged to come to our stand and talk Europe with some of our volunteers and play interactive games about Schengen area, while having the possibility to pose for a green screen picture with any European capital added as background. Later the afternoon, more than 150 people gathered in Square de Meeus Park to celebrate *St. Schuman* with beers and music.

### **JEF Belgium on the move**

In order to achieve better communication between the national and local boards, the programme of a travelling national board was implemented. This year we moved to Liège and Bruges in order to meet with local JEF members. This way there was a win-win situation where the national board got to know what elements played for the respective local section and the other way around.

- ✓ Revitalization of JEF Liège section

### **One federal committee, one congress**

Federal committee in Rome



Attended by (a lot of) JEF Belgium members

European Congress JEF Europe in Malta  
Attended by four JEF Belgium members

## List of events & activities organised or co-organised by JEF Belgium in 2017

- 14 January – Election of the new board
- 29 January – Team building, federalist dinner – Brussels
- 8 March – The Euro is 18, Time to grow up – Brussels  
Jakob Von Weizsäcker (MEP – S&D)  
Jeffrey Franks (Director of the IMF Europe Office)
- 11 March – European Youth Convention – Strasbourg
- 25 March – March for Europe – Rome & Brussels
- 22 April – Meet with JEF Liège – Liège
- 23 April – We are young: Pulse of Europe – Brussels
- 9 May – Europe’s Day ECP – Brussels
- 24 June – Team building, descente de la Lesse – Dinant, Belgium
- 21 September – Meet with JEF College of Europe – Bruges
- 18 October – The ECP turns 1 year: concert Olla Vogala - Brussels
- 9 – 12 November – European Congress JEF Europe – La Valetta, Malta
- 18-19 November – Citizens’ Forum on the EU – Brussels
- 29 November – Let’s talk about Europe (MFA initiative) – Brussels
- 1 – 3 December – Training Days – Leuven
- 7 December – Federalist Café – Brussels

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