## ACTION COMMITTEE FOR THE UNITED STATES OF EUROPE









### **DECLARATION**

### A ROADMAP TO EUROPEAN SOVEREIGNTY

Adopted by the Third Action Committee for the United States of Europe, 18 October 2025, Jean Monnet House, Bazoches-sur-Guyonne, France

We, the members relaunching the Action Committee for the United States of Europe, created by Jean Monnet 70 years ago, believe that the EU is facing unprecedented challenges at a time in which the UN-based multilateral order is under attack and risks collapsing.

These challenges include, among others, Russia's War of Aggression in Ukraine; the weakening of the Transatlantic bond; the conflicts in the Middle East and around the world; the ascendancy of China and the Indo-Pacific; the rise of authoritarian forces across the world; demographic and economic decline; the ecological crisis; increasing social disparities; the transformative effects of the digital and Artificial intelligence technologies and the damage on democracy of their misuse; as well as preparing the EU for the enlargement.

Therefore, European institutions and Member states need to rise to the occasion, act responsibly and with mutual trust, and push European integration forwards, as only a federal Europe can cope with these challenges ensuring European autonomy and role, its fundamental values and rights.

The Action Committee aims to provide high quality inputs to the EU institutions and Member states, and to mobilize civil society and public opinion, to create a European Federation – the original goal set out in the Schuman Declaration - which is the key for our survival in a world of continental empires with hegemonic aspirations.

To this end, we support the creation of a renewed cross-partisan and inter-institutional pro-European coalition encompassing the most committed Member States in the European Council, the pro-European majority in the European and National Parliaments, the European Commission, regional and local institutions, over and above the particular inertias of each institution, and organised civil society.

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#### In particular, we call

- on the Member states in the European Council:
  - To establish a European Common Defence, as foreseen in article 42 of the Treaty on the European Union, which can also be done through a new Permanent Structured Cooperation by the willing Member States.
  - To follow-up on the Parliament's proposal to reform the Treaties to abolish unanimity in the EU decision-making system - and particularly in foreign, security and defence policy, taxation, the budget and the Multiannual Financial Framework, moving them to the ordinary legislative procedure – including on Treaty reform and the enlargement.
- On the European Commission to:
  - Ensure by 2028 full implementation of the Letta, Draghi, Niniisto reports on the completion of the single market, European competitiveness, and European security, also ensuring regular horizontal monitoring of their implementation.
  - Table a new proposal for a beefed-up and more ambitious Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) able to finance European public goods, including new priorities in defence and research while preserving the environmental dimension, cohesion and agriculture, strengthening the European social market economy model, in respect of parliamentary control and the role of European regions and cities, and financed with real EU own resources.
  - To ambitiously pursue the European common interests, also by ensuring effective implementation and respect of the EU legislation, as well as incentives and programs to mobilize private funding towards the European priorities.
- on the European Parliament:
  - To promote the convening of an Interparliamentary Assembly (Assises) to advocate for the full implementation of those objectives.
  - To condition its support for the next annual budgets and MFF to the European Council's taking action on the requests above.

We call on political leaders, European citizens, organised civil society, regional and local governments to mobilize to support these requests for a more sovereign and democratic Union.

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