



**European Movement
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The Federal Council of the European Movement International met in Leinster House – Dublin - on June 26th and 27th, 2004.

With regards to the results of the European elections and the heightened level of abstention,

It regrets

1. the lack of European policy themes in the pre-election debate, propaganda, programmes and debates with the public
2. the lack of attention given to the work carried out by the parting members of the European Parliament

It demands that the results of the European Parliament elections are respected during the selection of the President of the European Commission.

For the elections of 2009,

A. At the European level:

- it will invite the federations of European parties to debate the rules to be implemented to ensure a more international character in the electoral campaign
- it decides to organise a **European network of members of national parliaments** committed in the participation debate.

B. At the national level:

- it will invite the national councils of the EM to gather the members of the European Parliament and to organise on a significant basis **an explanatory note on the mechanisms of European Union decision-making, based on the principles established in the European Constitution** without awaiting its ratification

It stresses that the Constitution must allow for a durable and collective explanation of the decision-making mechanisms including the role of the European Parliament, and emphasise the contents of European policies in the debate.

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