

We participants of the International Conference of the Croatian Pan-European Union in Zagreb, in October 21-23, 2020, from France, Spain, Germany, Sweden, Austria, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and North Macedonia support the declaration of the Croatian PEU expressing:

1. The gratitude to the International Pan-European Union for 100 years of work and for 30 years of the support of the Republic of Croatia and neighbouring countries on their way to independence and to the current or future accession to the European Union,
2. We remember with gratitude our long-term international President H. H. Dr. Otto von Habsburg on the 110th anniversary of his birth. We call to our memory his memorable cooperation and counselling of the Croatian President Dr. Franjo Tuđman whose 100th anniversary of birth is celebrated this year in Croatia and in the European Parliament in Strasbourg.
3. We greet the granting of the candidate status for membership in the EU to Ukraine and Moldova,
4. We greet the decision to start of the accession negotiations with North Macedonia and Albania,
5. We greet the readiness of the European Council and European Commission to grant the candidate status to Bosnia and Herzegovina. We want Bosnia and Herzegovina to abandon the aspirations to hegemony of any community and to constructively accept this European perspective.
6. We wish good progress in accession negotiations to Montenegro.
7. We wish the improvement of relations of Serbia with its neighbours, the renunciation to the Great-Serbian ideology, the alignment with the EU foreign and security policy, and further progress in the negotiations with the EU.
8. We wish the quick end of the visa regime and attainment of the candidate status to Kosovo too.
9. We wholeheartedly support the struggle of the Ukrainian people against the Great-Russian aggression, and for freedom, democracy and European values. We warmly recommend further humanitarian and financial aid and necessary arms supply to Ukraine, and wish Ukraine to make a smooth progress in the future accession negotiations with the EU.
10. On the level of the European Union we warn that its deficiencies noticed in these times of crisis should be corrected. The European Union should secure its self-sufficiency in the fields of food and energy sovereignty.
11. We equally demand from the authorities of the EU to secure the defence self-sufficiency of the European Union, not neglecting the cooperation with our allies, but no more depending so utterly on them.
12. In our concern for the European identity and European motivation of the citizens of the European Union we want to stress the importance of education and culture, and specifically of the care for a good humanistic education in Europe.
13. Other fields of education, science, technology and research should be strongly promoted in order to secure the competitiveness of the European Union in the world.
14. We support the ideal of a European Union that will in full sovereignty represent the world power of peace since it has been founded on the idea of peace.