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FOREWORD

Throughout 2023, Europe grappled with a multifaceted crisis, from the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic to the urgent demands of the climate emergency, the cost-of-living crisis and geopolitical unrest. Record-breaking heatwaves hit the Earth, biodiversity continued to decline rapidly, and pollution remained a deadly threat, claiming countless lives. While the European Green Deal (EGD) holds promise in addressing these critical issues, ensuring that no one is left behind remains one of our greatest challenges.

The drivers of climate change and biodiversity loss transcend national borders, underscoring the need for global collaboration. Leveraging its influence, expertise and financial resources, the EU has the potential to mobilise its neighbours and partners to embark together on a sustainable path. However, the effectiveness of the EGD may come up against new obstacles in the evolving political scenario that will follow the 2024 European elections.

In 2023 GEF intensified its efforts and stepped up its contribution to the green transformation by prioritising "A Green Deal for All" as one of its thematic priorities. The foundation carried out various initiatives to foster insightful debate around this topic.

Escalating conflicts in Europe and neighbouring regions prompted the Greens to reevaluate previous foreign policy and defence stances, leading GEF to amplify its focus on Geopolitics, Peace, and Security. These pivotal themes resonated across our events, publications and projects, such as the "Peace and Security Debate Series", "Green Visions on EU Security" and "Energy Security: Green & Social". Each initiative further emphasised the urgent imperative for coordinated endeavours aimed at conflict resolution and peacebuilding.

Economic Transformation was also a central topic, with GEF encouraging reflection on societal and economic frameworks beyond GDP growth. The foundation supported the emergence of alternative models and ideas in this realm that laid the groundwork for key projects including "Geopolitics of a Post-Growth Europe", "Countering the Growth Narrative" and "Post-Growth Future(s)". The Foundation also played a significant role in the acclaimed Beyond Growth Conference in May 2023, which served as a catalyst for citizens, academics and policymakers to forge new connections and advance the momentum toward a more environmentally sustainable and socially just Europe.

In its efforts to contribute to the European public policy debate, GEF released 11 publications on topics ranging from insulation in buildings to nuclear power.

The summer edition of the Green European Journal explored questions surrounding the fault lines of the green transition that are reshaping politics today. Titled "Up in Arms: Environmental Divides Reshaping Politics", the issue explored conflicts and dilemmas in areas such as AI, mining, heatwaves, critical raw materials, climate migration and renewable energy. Only a few months before the crucial EU elections its winter edition, "Aligning Stars: Routes to a Different Europe", set out to examine the continent's past and present to explore possible routes towards a desirable future.

As part of its commitment to promoting capacity building, the Foundation offered training initiatives on issues like feminism, climate, energy and political activism. GEF also contributed to the implementation of several summer schools and organised the 9th edition of the European Green Activist Training programme, which brought together 135 young green activists from seven countries. Furthermore, GEF hosted in Warsaw the second European Green Academy, welcoming over 240 diverse green actors from across Europe. Throughout the event, participants engaged in vibrant discussions on pressing green issues across a wide range of formats, including workshops, training sessions, plenary debates and networking activities.

GEF has a longstanding tradition of cultivating and disseminating green perspectives across Europe, contributing forward-looking ideas to the green movement. In 2023, GEF introduced Knowledge Communities, a cornerstone initiative driving the Foundation's policy initiatives. These Knowledge Communities aim to invigorate public and political dialogue toward a more environmentally sustainable and socially equitable Europe. By fostering ongoing networks for the creation, sharing and dissemination of knowledge, GEF aims to generate lasting change. In 2023, GEF established five Knowledge Communities, aspiring to broaden and cultivate further areas of expertise in 2024.

As we reflect on the events and accomplishments of 2023, we extend our deepest gratitude to our dedicated partners and supporters, from Spain to Sweden and

from Ireland to Turkey. Their unwavering support has been pivotal. Special appreciation goes to our collaborators in Ukraine for their invaluable contribution in challenging times. Our thoughts remain with all those affected by the ongoing conflict and those seeking refuge away from home. Lastly, a heartfelt thanks to our passionate team whose dedication has been essential in driving our mission forward. Looking ahead, the

Green European Foundation is poised to build upon the momentum of 2023, seizing new opportunities and confronting emerging challenges with creativity, resilience and determination in a crucial election year. Together, we remain steadfast in our commitment to fostering a more inclusive and sustainable Europe and empowering citizens to shape the future of our continent.

MISSION

The mission of the Green European Foundation is to contribute to the development of a European public sphere and to foster greater involvement by citizens in European politics, ultimately forging a stronger, more participative democracy. GEF strives to mainstream discussions on European policy and politics both within and beyond the Green political family. It works to create a common green vision for Europe, to be communicated to a wider audience. Our programme hinges on five strategic objectives, several thematic priorities and flagship initiatives.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

In 2023, GEF's strategic objectives, outlined in the GEF 2022-2024 Work Programme, served as a compass guiding our action. These objectives encapsulate the focal points to which GEF has dedicated its efforts, providing a roadmap for our work.

GREENING EAST AND SOUTH

In 2023, GEF played a pivotal role in nurturing green and political ecology initiatives, fostering the growth of ideas and facilitating the emergence of new green political actors. GEF focused in particular on Southern, Central and Eastern European regions, building upon the momentum of the Green wave observed in North-Western Europe. Our primary targets included Poland and Spain, where we actively supported the development of green ideologies and the cultivation of political actors aligned with our vision.

Furthermore, GEF made significant strides in establishing a strong network of green political foundations throughout Central and Eastern Europe, fostering collaboration and the exchange of ideas. Beyond this foundational work, we provided platforms for networking and engagement, identifying regions and countries that will be are ripe for political opportunities in the upcoming year.

SHAPING TOMORROW'S IDEAS

In 2023, GEF made efforts to strengthen the political and policy discourse and steering it towards a forward-looking vision for Europe's future. Our focus was on propelling progressive ideas and proposals that would redefine the landscape of tomorrow, rather than perpetuating the status quo of today. Aligned with these objectives, we aimed to elevate GEF's profile as a leading organisation dedicated to cultivating forward-thinking ideas and policy solutions within our priority thematic areas.

CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR ALL

All our training and educational activities were geared towards equipping individuals and organisations with the tools and understanding needed to engage effectively in the political process, advocate for green policies and drive positive change in their communities and beyond. By fostering a culture of learning and empowerment, we sought to cultivate a strong network of informed and engaged individuals ready to shape the future of Europe with green principles at its core.

MAKING THE GREEN FLOW

In 2023, GEF capitalised on its unique position to serve as a central hub for bridging European and national contexts, connecting diverse actors, experts, initiatives and networks. Our goal was to present GEF as a leading hub for green ideas, discussion, training and networking within the broader Green family and among like-minded organisations across Europe. Through strategic partnerships and collaborative efforts, we fostered a dynamic environment where innovative ideas flourished, meaningful dialogue thrived and impactful action was catalysed, driving positive change towards a greener and more sustainable future for all.

CONSOLIDATING THE FOUNDATIONS

Ensuring the sustainable growth and impact of the green political foundations' ecosystem requires GEF to consolidate its existing knowledge base. In our effort to foster the creation of transnational spaces for political participation and debate, we remain deeply committed toward growing our most invaluable asset: a vibrant network of national and regional foundations and like-minded organisations. Our priority has been facilitating knowledge transfer and fostering mutually beneficial exchanges among partner foundations that make up a diverse group with different strengths, needs and challenges to face. By promoting collaboration and shared learning among green foundations, we empower all members of that ecosystem to help them discover innovative approaches and advance their missions effectively.

THEMATIC PRIORITIES

GREEN DEAL FOR ALL

Considering the potential challenges looming over the European Green Deal, it became essential for GEF to curate innovative ideas and craft cutting-edge proposals that authentically embody the essence of a Green and Social Deal. Such a proposal must not only focus on reducing greenhouse gas emissions but also prioritise the wellbeing of both people and the planet. Throughout 2023, this thematic area encompassed all facets of the necessary social-ecological transition, permeating every aspect of GEF's work. This included mobility, energy transition, decarbonisation across sectors, a socially just and fair transition, trade, technological and digital developments, as well as food and agriculture. Additionally, this thematic priority aimed to advance the discourse surrounding the critique of economic growth and the existing economic model by fostering the emergence of alternative models and ideas.

GEOPOLITICS, PEACE, AND SECURITY

Today's geopolitical landscape is marked by complexity, fragmentation and volatility. In 2023, GEF aimed to actively engage in the discourse surrounding geopolitics, leveraging its unique position as a connector. Our goal was to encourage deeper discussion on emerging geopolitical trends by drawing on existing content while also leveraging various publications, materials and networks to spark dialogue with civil society organisations and academia. As part of our commitment to fostering a more just and sustainable world, GEF actively contributed to discussions on the implications of the current geopolitical landscape through a range of diverse events.

In addition to our primary thematic priorities, GEF also focused on a second set of cross-cutting thematic areas. These areas were selected for their political significance and their alignment with the green vision for Europe. This approach allows GEF and its network to maintain a pioneering role in niche policy and political domains, including migration, feminism, green and progressive cities and the post-pandemic world.

POST-GROWTH

As it currently stands, the relentless pursuit of GDP growth poses a severe threat to both humanity and the planet. This pursuit disregards the scientifically established planetary boundaries that are essential for our collective wellbeing. Moreover, relying solely on GDP growth fails to enhance or even take into account other important factors that contribute to our wellbeing, such as security. With this in mind, throughout 2023 GEF supported innovative approaches to economic sustainability. Within this framework, the foundation actively engaged in stimulating discourse on envisioning a society and economy that transcend the narrow focus on GDP growth. With a view to leading the critique of economic growth and conventional economic paradigms, GEF supported the emergence of alternative models and ideas and ran different projects and initiatives, aimed at fostering a more equitable and sustainable future.

FEMINISM AND GENDER

Promoting gender equality and combating discrimination in all its forms, including those based on sexual orientation, lies at the heart of our set of green principles. In 2023, GEF delved into the subject of feminism and gender through a variety of formats and contexts. As a result, Feminism and Gender became a cross-cutting theme for all GEF's activities throughout the year, serving as a catalyst for empowerment, facilitating knowledge exchange and fostering transnational cooperation.



FLAGSHIP INITIATIVES

Green European Journal

In 2023, the Green European Journal, GEF's independent publication, embarked on an ambitious journey on the eve of the EU elections. Its mission was to ignite discussion on how recent crises have reshaped the European landscape and inspiring visions for the future. At the forefront of the post-growth debate, the Journal aimed to position itself as a leading voice in the run-up to the Beyond Growth conference at the European Parliament and the Degrowth Conference in Zagreb. With dynamic columns outlining swift reactions to current events, it set itself the goal of keeping its finger on the pulse of pressing issues. Moreover, the Journal set out to expand Spanish-language coverage, recognising Spain's strategic importance in the year ahead. Delving into the complexities of climate policy and the green transition, it sought to navigate the intricate conflicts and dilemmas of our time. Lastly, it endeavoured to explore the concept of "green leadership" as a viable antidote to the dual challenges of populism and technocracy.

In 2023, the Green European Journal published two print editions as well as a special issue on postgrowth. The Journal's summer edition <u>Up in Arms: Environmental Divides Reshaping Politics</u>, published on 13 June 2023, explored new conflicts and unresolved dilemmas around the green transition, pondering ways to address them.

The winter edition Aligning Stars: Routes to a Different Europe, published on 4 December 2023, offered readers an analysis on how recent crises such as the pandemic and the war in Ukraine have reshaped the European project as well as our shared vision for the future.

In addition to the biannual editions and as a media partner of the European Parliament's Beyond Growth Conference, the Journal also published the special issue Imagining Europe Beyond Growth.

Throughout 2023, the Journal also launched several online article series, each delving into matters that are particularly relevant at this point in time, such as urban energy, democratic activities, food and water systems and "Green Leadership". Additionally, the Journal partnered with Voxeurop for the "Climate in the Media" series, which presented five thought-provoking contributions examining how the media in different European countries covers the climate crisis and portrays the climate movement.



In 2023, the Journal made remarkable progress in expanding its readership, with over 3,000 print copies across Europe. These copies found their way into the hands of the Green family, attendees at progressive political events, summer schools, universities and think tanks. Notably, the Journal was present at key launch events, including the Beyond Growth Conference in Brussels and the International Degrowth Network Conference in Zagreb.

GEF and its Network: Projects and Events

Geopolitics of a Post-Growth Europe

With the support of Wetenschappelijk Bureau GroenLinks (Netherlands), BlueLink (Bulgaria), Transicion Verde (Spain), Etopia (Belgium), Fondation de l'Ecologie Politique (France), Green House Think Tank (United Kingdom) and Center za Zelene Politike (Serbia)

Could a European Union leading the transition toward post-growth still assert itself as a global player? Could it effectively uphold democracy, human rights, and international law while facing aggressive autocracies threatening its neighbouring countries? This project delved into the intersection of postgrowth principles and geopolitics. Through a series of events, interviews and a final publication, GEF and its partners sparked dialogue between critics of economic growth and progressive thinkers on foreign and security policy. Building on this momentum, we aim to further disseminate our findings in 2024, seeking innovative solutions to complex questions.

In 2023, GEF undertook various activities as part of this project. Early in the year, we convened an online expert meeting in Dutch, followed by an expert gathering in Sofia titled "How to Protect a Post-Growth Europe?" In May, we organised a successful event in Utrecht centred on the debate between Green Growth and Degrowth. Throughout the third quarter of the year, we hosted an array of events, including online expert meetings in France, a panel discussion at the International Degrowth Conference in Zagreb, a webinar on the "Geopolitics of Post-Growth" and a public roundtable in Malaga exploring North-South relations and the Post-Growth Challenge. The project culminated in the fourth quarter with a workshop at the Revolutionale International Round Table in Leipzig, a hybrid seminar in London on "The Geopolitics of Degrowth" and a webinar on "Geopolitics of Degrowth in a Conflicted Europe – Global South's Perspectives". Additionally, we conducted a number of interviews which were compiled into a web dossier, and the project concluded with the release of the final publication "Geopolitics of a Post-Growth Europe", translated into Spanish, French, Dutch, Bulgarian, and Serbian with more translations slated for 2024.

We also capitalised on this topic to garner media coverage by publishing several opinion articles. In May,

during the Beyond Growth Conference at the European Parliament, the EU Observer featured an opinion piece titled The geopolitics of a post-growth Europe by Richard Wouters, an author with the eponymous GEF project. Additionally, Euractiv ran an article titled Post-Growth's Geopolitics Problem, which included an interview with Richard Wouters alongside other prominent figures in the post-growth movement, such as Kate Raworth and Jason Hickel.

Green Visions on European Security

With the support of Etopia (Belgium), Cogito (Sweden), Forum za održivi razvoj Zeleni prozor (Croatia), and Cooperation and Development Network (Eastern Europe)

This project facilitated an open discussion on key peace and security tensions and gaps, spanning historical, geographical, and national sensitivities. Guided by political ecology values, GEF contributed to the green movement's reflections and the development of an updated vision on security and defence.

Concretely, we commissioned research on a comprehensive mapping of green positions across eight different countries. These positions cover a wide range of questions, including defence spending, military procurement, nuclear non-proliferation and civil protection. The resulting findings were reviewed by independent experts, whose comments and suggestions will inform a final report slated for publication in 2024. Concurrently GEF organised a series of events, interviews and articles aimed to capture and amplify the voices and perspectives of ordinary Europeans and grassroots activists, with a special emphasis on engaging young people.

The project activities in 2023 included two expert webinars and a Peace and Security study session in Budapest for young people from Central and Eastern Europe. The project and its first draft report made their way to an interactive panel discussion at the European Green Academy, that took place in Warsaw in November 2023. In December, a regional webinar on the Balkan area was held. Throughout autumn and winter, interviews, articles, and testimonies were collected.

Navigating NATO: Green and

Progressive Paths to Influence

With the support of Cogito (Sweden)

In collaboration with Cogito, GEF organised two events and crafted several op-eds as part of this project. These initiatives examined the potential for advancing green values and priorities within NATO, as well as the dynamics of the trans-Atlantic alliance with European security structures. Complementing these efforts, GEF conducted a mapping exercise and expert interviews, to culminate in a <u>final publication</u> slated for release in spring 2024.

The Green Narrative on

Peace and security

With the support of Federation of Young European Greens

In July 2023, the Federation of Young European Greens hosted a <u>summer school</u> in Vaxtorp, Sweden, focusing on the Green Narrative on Peace and Security. At the event, GEF organised two sessions: "Security and Geopolitics – A possible youth, feminist, and green approach" and "Security in times of war – Belarusian and Ukrainian perspectives".

These sessions delved into the concept of security and its varied implications across different regional contexts in Europe, considering past conflicts, crises and current trends. Led by carefully selected experts, the sessions provided insights into nuanced perspectives on security. Additionally, participants directly affected by the recent conflict in Ukraine were given the opportunity to share their thoughts, experiences and ideas for moving forward.

The overarching aim of the GEF sessions was to equip participants with a comprehensive understanding of security issues, enabling them to engage in informed and holistic discussion on the topic.

A Just Green Deal and Beyond

With the support of Oikos (Belgium), Visio (Finland), Sunrise (Northern Macedonia), Yesil Dusunce Dernegi (Turkey) and Fondation de l'Ecologie Politique (France)

This project blended theoretical research with the analysis of practical examples to explore how the

Green and Social Deal can be implemented while prioritising factors such as social justice and ecology over perpetual economic growth. The initial focus was on exploring how the Green Deal could facilitate a just transition. However, as the political discourse evolved, the project shifted towards the conceptualisation of a desirable post-growth scenario: a wellbeing economy that ensures a good life for all within planetary boundaries.

GEF established a working group with partners in Turkey and North Macedonia, resulting in four events that were held in November and December in the two countries to discuss research outcomes and define specific outputs. Fondation de l'Ecologie Politique hosted an event in December, producing insights into socio-economic dynamics and citizen engagement regarding the Green and Social Deal's social dimension. With Oikos' support, three events were held in Belgium to enrich the research project with academic and expert insights and theoretical frameworks. A notable milestone for the project was the Beyond Growth conference of the European Parliament (15-17 May), marking a significant step in the project's academic development.

Citizen Assemblies in Action

in Europe

With the support of Institut za političku ekologiju (Croatia), Oikos (Belgium), Visio (Finland), Sunrise (Northern Macedonia), Polekol (Serbia) and Center za Zelene Politike (Serbia)

In 2023, GEF embarked on a two-year project aimed at exploring the benefits and challenges of citizen assemblies as an additional form of democratic engagement. The project was structured into three main areas: research, internal planning and education. The project comprised several study trips, all centred around the significance of citizen assemblies within the thematic areas of the European Green Deal and the essential role of deliberative dimensions in the green political movement in Europe.

In 2023, GEF and its partners laid the theoretical groundwork for the project with the goal of leading to a final publication, scheduled for release in 2024. This publication is set to emphasise the significance of citizen assemblies in the Green Deal thematic areas and underscore the importance of deliberative processes for the green political movement.

GEF also organised a workshop in March 2023 to address financial aspects, outline the project roadmap, conduct a state-of-the-art analysis across partner countries and facilitate content-related discussions on publication priorities.

Additionally, the Foundation, in collaboration with the support of Center za Zelene Politike held a workshop entitled "Possibilities and Pitfalls of Deliberative Democracy in Tackling Climate Justice" as part of the Terrestrial Forum/Horizons of Change event. In October, GEF, with the support of Oikos, arranged a study trip to Brussels providing firsthand exposure to relevant practices and experiences to enrich the project's understanding. Lastly, in December, GEF, supported by Sunrise facilitated a discussion on citizen assemblies in Skopje in December, exploring their potential and broadening the project's scope and impact.

Post-growth Futures

With the support of Institut za političku ekologiju (Croatia)

This project brought together a diverse array of stakeholders, including academics, researchers, activists and local politicians, to discuss the future of people's wellbeing in a potential post-growth society.

The primary focus of this project was creating an opportunity for participants to share insights on deliberative and participatory democracy alongside regional green activists, fostering debate on the development of narratives and ideas related to post-growth in the South-Eastern region of Europe. Following the discussions, smaller expert groups set out to write contributions providing deeper insights into the post-growth movement for a publication that will present the project's outcomes and its connections to GEF's other work on post- growth theories. The publication will be available in 2024.

Ecopolis: Fair(er) Futures Festival

With the support of Oikos (Belgium)

Ecopolis brought together Belgian and international writers, academics and thinkers to delve into the transition towards a socio-ecological society. With a focus on ecology, economy and society, the festival showcased inspiring books, documentaries and debates featuring writers, academics, and civil society thinkers.

This event, supported by several organisations including GEF, centred on addressing conflicts stemming from competition, which often serves as a basic organisational principle on both the individual and the economic levels. What emerged was the essential role of cooperation among movements and alliances, between countries and regions, and in the development of commons such as housing and energy cooperatives.



Political Ecology Days

With the support of Etopia (Belgium)

The <u>Political Ecology Days conference</u> is a four-day event organized into sessions on various perspectives on green topics, featuring an international panel of speakers. The 2023 edition of the conference placed particular emphasis on addressing inequalities and exploring innovative ideas for better caring for our world and society.

Discussions throughout the event centred on themes such as repairing and transforming the Earth, addressing inequalities, exploring the relationships between humans and non-humans, and envisioning alternative economic, societal and justice frameworks. The concept of "repair" involved the idea of acknowledging past injustices and seeking justice while nurturing care for the environment and society. Meanwhile, the concept of "transformation" was highlighted as a crucial movement challenging the existing world system.

Over the course of four days, participants had the opportunity to engage with green politics through eight lectures, twelve workshops, Greens Talks sessions and a documentary screening. GEF sessions contributed to the European perspective of the event by providing English translation services and supporting European speakers.

Countering the Growth Narrative

With the support of Transición Verde (Spain)

This project was undertaken to challenge the prevailing belief that economic growth is the sole path to prosperity. By encouraging society to critically examine the current growth narrative, GEF aimed to pave the way for alternative economic paradigms and foster green political thought, focusing on Spain as a GEF focus country with Europe-wide relevance.

GEF also conducted desk and applied research to develop a publication titled "On the Narrative of Growth: Unlearning Dogmas", scheduled for release in 2024.

Polish Green Days

With the support of Strefa Zieleni (Poland)

This project aims to bring together green actors to tackle key challenges for a sustainable Europe. Supported by Streza Zieleni GEF organised the Green Days for Future summer school, providing a vital platform for the Polish green movement to convene and discuss significant political and social issues shaping both Europe and their country. GEF led a full day of acitivites including the opening plenary session of the summer school with a session entitled "More than energy – battle for nuclear or for the vision of the future?" and another session focusing on ensuring that European Funds serve the EU's strategic objectives, which included discussions on the role of monitoring committees and the horizontal principles of conditionality.

Cities As Places of Hope

With the support of Yesil Dusunce Dernegi (Turkey), Oikos (Belgium), Institut za političku ekologiju (Croatia), and Wetenschappelijk Bureau Groenlinks (Netherlands)

The "Cities as Places of Hope" initiative was initially launched in 2019 with the goal of nurturing progressive city networks to advance a fairer, greener Europe. By convening political, civil, and economic stakeholders, GEF and its partners aimed to explore avenues for these networks to wield greater influence at the European level, particularly in shaping a positive narrative for Europe's future.

Throughout this ongoing project, GEF's objective has been to cultivate a network and provide a platform for engaging citizens in the development of urban commons and democratic innovation. In 2023, the project produced two publications: "Sketches of a New City" and "The Tilting City". These publications offer valuable insights into the current realities of urban life and envision a future characterised by sustainability, accessibility and improved quality of life. These publications (available in Turkish, English and Macedonian) were promoted through various events in 2023, reaching new audiences and fostering fresh perspectives and reflections.

Shaping the Future of Sustainable Mobility

With the support of Heinrich Böll Stiftung EU office, Instituto José Tengarrinha (Portugal), Transición Verde (Spain), Fundació Nous Horitzons (Catalonia, Spain) and EcoPolítica (Spain)

In response to the growing interest in green content and discussions, particularly in Portugal and in Spain, GEF decided to disseminate key resources and foster debate in the Iberian Peninsula. This included translating and sharing Portuguese and Spanish versions of the Heinrich Böll Stiftung's European Mobility Atlas and GEF's Metals for a Green and Digital Europe.

As part of the "Europe on the Move: Shaping the Future of Sustainable Mobility in the Iberian Peninsula" debates series, GEF sought to nurture the debate in Portugal and Spain around the future of sustainable mobility and how we can safeguard a green and socially just mobility transition. The debates brought together relevant stakeholders from civil society, academia and politics to discuss and explore key questions, tensions and opportunities for the future of mobility and the Green Deal, while fostering a trans-European exchange on best practices. GEF captured the outcomes of the debate series in a video interview series featuring experts, activists and civil society representatives, who shed light on various challenges and opportunities associated with the sustainable mobility transition.

Energy Security: Green & Social

With the support of Inštitut za družbeno ekologijo (Slovenia)

Access to sufficient energy is essential for ensuring wellbeing for all. This project aimed to connect the climate emergency with the cost-of-living and energy crises, further developing the concept of energy security.

As part of this initiative, GEF organised a <u>conference</u> aimed at fostering an open dialogue on Slovenia's energy future, highlighting the importance of safety, environmental sustainability and social justice. Discussions centred around the necessity of considering environmental and financial factors in energy decision-making. Speakers included European and Slovenian policymakers and energy experts.

Vienna Feminist Climate conference

With the support of Grüne Bildungswerkstatt Wien (Austria)

This conference aimed to provide a platform for female thinkers, creators and activists from various European cities to share their experiences and insights. The event highlighted the intersectionality of feminism and environmentalism in shaping urban landscapes. Speakers such as Eva de Bruijn (Netherlands), Donna Cooney (Ireland), Janine Bex (Austria), and Alexandra Würz-Stalder (Austria) offered diverse perspectives on feminist and ecological approaches to urban planning and development. GEF's co-president Dagmar Tutschek moderated several debates exploring how grassroots movements, local initiatives and city councillors can contribute to transformative change in city governance and policymaking, promoting sustainability and social justice. By strengthening the voices of female urban visionaries, the event aimed to inspire collective action towards more inclusive and climate-resilient cities across Europe.



Green-Red Dialogues

With the support of Fundació Nous Horitzons (Catalonia, Spain)

The Green-Red Dialogues series serves as a platform to address pressing issues of our time through a social and green lens. By intertwining these debates, GEF aimed to underscore Southern European perspectives on Europe's contemporary challenges. In 2023, GEF hosted three events including two webinars and one in-person event in Barcelona. These sessions tackled various themes, from the threats to democracies posed by populist forces and the extreme right (April) to the global climate crisis (October) and the connection between socio-economic challenges and the climate emergency (November).



Featuring a diverse panel of representatives from the European Green movement and academic experts, these events facilitated discussion on contemporary European issues, contributing to the advancement of environmentally sustainable and socially just perspectives on European policies, both within Spain and beyond.

The first sessions delved into climate policy, sustainable rural areas, and sustainable urban development. The third event was a Summer Academy that equipped young activists with tools to promote greener lifestyles and environmental protection. Finally, session four dealt with various aspects of EU energy policy.

Future of Eastern Europe and

Eco-Democracy

With the support of Cooperation Development Network (Eastern Europe), Yesil Dusunce Dernegi (Turkey), Forum za održivi razvoj Zeleni prozor (Croatia), Πράσινο Ινστιτούτο (Greece) and Ökopolisz Alapitvany (Hungary)

This project, organised with the support of youth green organisations across Eastern Europe, sought to explore the fragile state of democracy in the region, the key issues affecting young people and the challenges and opportunities for an ecological and progressive turnaround.

To conclude the project, GEF organised a conference in Zagreb that focused on using ecodemocracy to empower Eastern European communities and address political and social challenges. The conference featured three panel discussions covering topics such as sustainable urban development, youth engagement for environmental justice, and the influence of environmental and democratic values in Eastern Europe. Additionally, GEF and its partners produced a publication aimed at exploring how to leverage these advances to strengthen the Green movement in the region.

Green Political Activist training

With the support of Megújuló Magyarországért Alapítvány (Hungary)

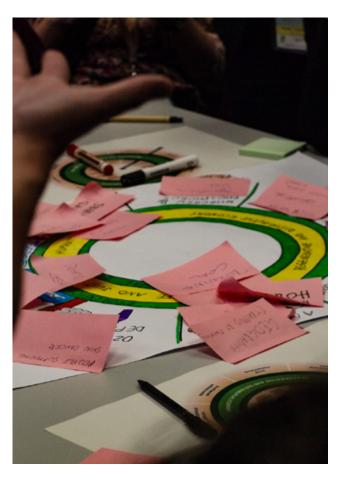
As part of this <u>project</u>, GEF organised a series of four educational workshops and one summer school to enhance the participants' understanding of green concepts and their practical application within local and European political contexts. The primary goal was to empower participants to assess and advocate for policies aligned with progressive green and European values. Moreover, young green activists were provided with tools, knowledge and networking opportunities to engage with political actors and experts effectively. The different sessions also encompassed a four-dimensional debate on energy policy.

Tough Talk

With the support of International Alumni Center – iac Berlin (Germany)

Now more than ever, nonprofit leaders must communicate with purpose, empathy and vision to engage their audiences and guide them through an ever-changing landscape. And they need to foster connections between diverse groups and inspire them to embrace their vision and take social action.

To empower nonprofit executives and leaders with the communication skills necessary to convey their message compellingly DURING times of multiple crises, GEF proposed a two-day workshop on impactful communications. This workshop, held on 30 April and 1 May 2023, aimed to enhance communication effectiveness at both the organisational and individual levels.



European Green Academy

With the support of Heinrich Böll Stiftung Warsaw (Poland) and Strefa Zieleni (Poland)

The second-ever European Green Academy, held on 17-18 November in Warsaw and following national elections with unprecedented outcomes, brought together diverse green actors, activists, politicians and academics from across Europe to build knowledge, capacities and connections on crucial green issues. The Academy, which focused on Peace & Security, Democratic Resilience, and the Social Dimension of the Green Deal, aimed to provide a deeper understanding of key European challenges and foster connections between European Greens and the Polish Green movement.

The Academy attracted 240 speakers and participants, representing 79 diverse organisations and platforms from 28 nationalities. Over 60% of participants were under the age of 35, reflecting the importance

of engaging young activists from diverse backgrounds and movements across the continent.

The programme covered key topics such as democracy and security, green visions on defence and youth visions on the Just Transition on labour markets through engaging workshops, training sessions, plenary debates and networking activities. Notable plenaries included discussions on Security and Democratic Resilience in Central and Eastern Europe and the Balkans, featuring voices such as Michael Keating from the European Institute of Peace, MEP Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield, Adam Reichardt from New Eastern Europe, and Małgorzata Tracz, a Member of Sejm. There were also notable keynote speeches by Agata Meysner from Generation Climate Europe, Yamina Saheb (IPCC author) and Hanna Machińska, Former Deputy Commissioner for Human Rights.



Knowledge Communities

The Green European Foundation has a longstanding tradition of developing and spreading green views across Europe and contribute to the green movement with forward-looking ideas. Building on this tradition, GEF created its Knowledge Communities. This flagship initiative structures the foundation's policy work. It aims to foster public and political debate toward a green, socially just Europe by establishing lasting networks of knowledge production, exchange and dissemination. GEF's Knowledge Communities address a diverse set of topics. They are built around and with one or more central experts, who deliver stock-take political proposals and ideas for discussion with a wider group of actors.

In 2023, GEF held a total of eight Knowledge community expert meetings and public events: two in Zagreb (September), two in Madrid (September and November), one in Budapest (October), one in Paris (November) and two in Brussels (December).

The Future of the EU's

Energy Project

The management and deployment of the three energy dimensions (social, climate and energy security) separately, coupled with the lack of emphasis on the link between the EU energy project and democracy, present significant challenges. Recognising these issues, the Knowledge Community proposes a four-dimensional approach to energy. This approach aims to generate political ideas and proposals for each dimension and to integrate them into a systemic EU energy strategy.

In 2023, with the support of the Open Society European Policy Institute, GEF brought together a core expert group consisting of Antoine Oger (Institute for European Environmental Policy), Jesse Scott (Hertie School), Benjamin Denis (IndustriAll), Joanna Maćkowiak-Pandera (Forum Energii) and Rosa Martinez (Green European Journal), with whom it developed the political proposals that were tested and submitted to larger groups of experts, practitioners and civil society representatives. The draft political briefs produced are being published in the first half of 2024.

As part of this project, GEF published two opinion articles in two European Media outlets: <u>Energy Security</u> and Energy democracy.

Welfare States and the Climate Emergency

Bringing the potential role of social protection to the forefront of the political debate is crucial to mitigate social tensions during times of change. However, this process requires a shift in approach: climate policy and welfare state policy must be developed in a way that will allow them to complement each other.

Central to this discussion is how the welfare state can shield people from climate risks and enable them to mitigate those risks. The objective of this Knowledge Community is to formulate European Union focused political proposals that advance this integrated approach. With core expert Philippe Pochet, GEF fellow and Affiliated Professor Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, this Knowledge Community delivered a political proposal and a <u>publication</u> (to be published in 2024) and organised several roundtable meetings.

Advancing the EU's internal market

The 30th anniversary of the internal market in 2023 prompted reflection on achievements and challenges. While the European Single Market has spurred trade expansion, competition and job creation, disparities persist across domains, member states and regions. To revitalise the internal market, a bold Single Market 2.0 approach is needed, prioritising socioeconomic resilience and environmental sustainability.

Against this background, this Knowledge Community aims to develop political ideas to advance the internal market in a way that will ensure wellbeing and sustainability in the EU. We explored how to put forward a social and environmental pact for the Single Market 2.0. With core expert Philippe Pochet, GEF fellow and Affiliated Professor Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa, we delivered a political proposal and a <u>publication</u> (to be published in 2024) and organised several roundtable meetings.

European Green Care Society

We operate within a system that views caring for both people and the environment as burdens to minimise in the pursuit of productivity and competitiveness. This Knowledge Community seeks to promote the notion that addressing this perspective requires systemic change, supported by integrated political solutions.

We worked with core expert Céline Chaveriat with the goal of laying the foundations for potential European policies for a green care society in which caring for human and non-human life on earth is celebrated as the basis of wellbeing for all. A political brief was developed, and a Knowledge Community meeting was organised to test and further develop the ideas contained in the brief. The publication is planned for the first half of 2024.

Gender Dimension of the Energy

Transition

A just transition must actively combat inequalities rather than exacerbate them. Gender equality is crucial in this regard, and therefore environmental and energy transition policies should be developed and implemented accordingly.

This Knowledge Community investigates the connections between the fossil fuel-based energy model and gender inequalities, aiming to prevent their replication in clean energy models. GEF's aim is to expose how transition, or rather transformation, and policies (in particular energy sufficiency policies) can be levers for reducing gender inequalities. With core expert Barbara Nicoloso (Director of Virage Energie), we aimed to determine the political conditions required to ensure that the fight to preserve the environment and the societal battle for gender equality go hand-in-hand and we strived to develop political proposals for decision-makers to enable this change. Several knowledge community meetings were organised and contributed to developing a political proposal. A political brief was produced and will be published in 2024.





European Green Activist Training

In collaboration with Institut aktivního občanství (Czech Republic), Forum za održivi razvoj Zeleni prozor (Croatia), Vihreiden nuorten ja opiskelijoiden liitto ry (Finland), Heinrich Böll Stiftung Warsaw (Poland), Fundació Nous Horitzons (Catalonia, Spain), Jaunųjų demokratų sąjunga (Lithuania) and Brīvības un solidaritātes fonds (Latvia)

The European Green Activist Training (EGAT) programme implemented by GEF consists of a series of training sessions for young activists divided into three phases. The programme involves participation in an online course titled "EU for Beginners", followed by national training sessions on green and European politics in the second half of the year. It concludes with a study trip to Brussels to observe EU politics in action

firsthand. The purpose of EGAT is to bring together like-minded young activists connected through Green values and a motivation to enact change, but also to Europeanise existing training programmes for Green activists by incorporating a pan-European element.

In 2023, the programme reached its 9th edition. A total of 16 national training sessions were held in the seven countries where the project was implemented. The participants' ages ranged from 16 to 28, with an average age of 20.

In March 2023, the previous programme edition (2022-2023) concluded with its Brussels Study Trip, which took place on 7-9 March 2023, with 132 participants from the participating country cohort (Hungary, Croatia, Czechia, Finland, Poland, Catalonia and Greece).

Political Ecology Course

As Green politics gains traction across Europe, there is an increasing demand for knowledge about the Green movement and its values and thinking. As these ideas go mainstream, it is particularly important to combat greenwashing and false narratives. In an effort to democratise political ecology education and provide a valuable compass in these turbulent times, GEF has been working behind the scenes to gather relevant resources and perspectives from across Europe with

a view to putting together an educational package that brings the concepts, history and lessons of political ecology to citizens in an engaging and accessible way. In 2023, these efforts continued as GEF began piloting the course methodology within the European Green Activist Training program. Additionally, GEF conducted interviews with political ecology pioneers and produced historical articles to further enrich the educational materials.

Comms and Outreach

The primary goal of GEF's communications efforts is to support the organisation's mission and main objectives of spreading ecological ideas and shaping political discourse, with a focus on selected countries and the Brussels political sphere. Concurrently, these efforts aim to enhance the visibility and credibility of both the foundation and the wider green movement.

In 2023, GEF embarked on a comprehensive overhaul of its digital presence, strategically identifying key initiatives to elevate its communication ambitions and broaden its outreach to a more diverse audience. This included a significant expansion of its social media presence, accompanied by the creation of more refined and curated content. Furthermore, GEF undertook

initiatives to refine its visual identity, revamp its website and progress toward two pivotal milestones: the harmonisation of its publications to ensure a cohesive layout and format across all releases, and the development of a brand-new website for the foundation.

Additionally, GEF intensified its media relations and outreach efforts with the publication of six opinion articles in various European media outlets. Special attention was given to optimising outreach tailored specifically to engage young people and students, reflecting GEF's commitment to inclusivity and capacity-building. GEF hosted meetings with two student groups at the end of the year.



Green Community

In 2023, GEF undertook various activities as part of its strategic priority to foster a "green flow" and strengthen connections with key green actors across Europe. This included participation in several events: the European Ideas Lab in Warsaw (March), the Federation of Young European Greens Youth Assembly in Brussels (March), the Federation of Young European Greens General Assembly in Barcelona (May), the European Green Party Congress in Vienna (June), LIVRE Summer School in Lisbon (September) and the Greens Group in the European Parliament Retreat in Madrid (September), as well as the online European Green Party congress in December.

During the same period, GEF welcomed six new Green Foundations to its network: Jaunųjų demokratų sąjunga (Lithuania), Brīvības un solidaritātes fonds (Latvia), Megújuló Magyarországért Alapítvány

(Hungary), Institute ACUM (Romania), Instituto José Tengarrinha (Portugal) and Center za Zelene Politike (Serbia). To support this growth, GEF organised an online Green Foundations workshop aimed at facilitating knowledge transfer between new and established foundations, sharing insights and fostering support networks.

Furthermore, GEF continued its efforts to strengthen its support to Central and Eastern European Green Foundations, organising an in-person meeting in Vienna (June) that brought together 21 green foundations from the region. This meeting focused on themes like energy democracy and effective climate communication in the media, providing a platform for experts to share insights and best practices on relevant workstreams.





SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION TO EVENTS

Beyond Growth Conference

From 15 to 17 May, over 4,000 people engaged in multiple sessions held in the context of the "Beyond Growth 2023" Conference, exceeding all expectations. The multi-stakeholder event happened at the European Parliament and was arranged by MEPs from various political groups, along with over 60 partner organisations including GEF. This cross-party initiative followed the success of the post-growth 2018 conference and offered an opportunity for discussion across institutional boundaries and with European citizens. GEF actively provided intellectual support for the programmatic design of the conference.

International Degrowth Conference

In August, GEF participated in the 9th Annual International Degrowth Conference, which took place in Zagreb, Croatia. The conference gathered hundreds of activists, academics, politicians and other members of the contemporary degrowth movement to exchange ideas, strategies, and inspirations. GEF contributed to the programme and activities in various ways, hosting two Knowledge Community meetings, a panel on the Geopolitics of a Post-Growth Europe and a discussion around the GEJ summer edition "Up in Arms: Environmental Divides Reshaping Politics".

Green Social Summit

In September 2023, GEF participated in the Green Social Summit organised by the Greens Group in the European Parliament. Held in Madrid, the event brought together 300 leaders from across Europe to discuss how to build a stronger European Union based on social and ecological justice and centred on human dignity. Aligned with GEF's "Green Flow" strategic objective, the summit was an opportunity to showcase GEF's flagship publications and to deepen and develop connections with leading green actors in Europe.

Budapest Forum

Building on its strategic objective of promoting green debates in Europe, GEF cooperated with the Institute for Political Capital in Hungary for the Budapest Forum, which took place on 11-12 October 2023. Focusing on sustainable peace, the Forum brought together civic leaders, politicians, change-makers and academics to discuss a sustainable and democratic future. GEF's contribution supported the programmatic development of the forum and ensured transnational outreach by providing simultaneous interpretation and hybrid formats. GEF also designed and hosted the session "Tomorrow's Europe - Replacing Energy at the Centre of the European Political and Democratic Project", which explored the need to rethink how the European energy architecture and system can be made more fair, democratic, resilient and secure.

Congress of Young Europeans 2023

The Heinrich Böll Foundation and the Federation of Young European Greens, with the intellectual and organisational support of GEF, convened the 8th Congress of Young Europeans in Thessaloniki. At this Congress, attendees from across Europe gathered to express their concerns and propose solutions for a fairer Europe.

The Congress focused on the pivotal role of youth in shaping the future of Europe. The overarching theme was "independent living", encompassing various challenges faced by the younger generations, ranging from access to basic care and mental health support to affordable housing, gender rights and fair working conditions.

European Forum

The European Forum is a unique space for progressive parties and movements to come together. This event allows like-minded political foundations to organise debates and discussions on key social and green topics. Within this context, Transform! Europe, FEPS and GEF organised two workshops at the 2023 European Forum in Madrid, drawing on GEF policy work within the Knowledge Community flagship: Welfare States and Climate Emergency and the Future of the EU's Energy Project.

Progressive Governance Summit

GEF helped shape programme contents of Das Progressive Zentrum's Progressive Governance seminar and supported the organisers by facilitating the participation of key Green participants. The seminar took place in Stockholm in December and brought together 40 progressive policymakers, strategists, policy advisors and thought leaders from Europe and the US to develop progressive solutions to policy priorities in light of the polycrisis.

Feminist Leadership

In 2023, GEF supported the development of the study Women CSO Leaders for Systemic Change: How to Support Feminist Leadership in Europe. This study represented the first-ever study of its kind, taking stock of the progress of the last decade, as well as identifying remaining barriers and new opportunities for women CSO leaders in driving systemic change in Europe. The study provides recommendations for donors, organisations, and society to bolster transformative, feminist women's leadership. The policy study was commissioned by the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS), supported by the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, and the Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung European Union. It received intellectual and networking support from GEF.

Siena Conference on the Future of Europe

In June 2023, at the invitation of Vision think tank to all European Political Foundations, GEF organised a panel entitled 'Tomorrow's Europe – Replacing Energy at the Centre of the European Political, Security and Democratic Project'. The panel was introduced by GEF's Political Director and moderated by Seden Anlar (CAN Europe Communications Coordinator). The discussion featured panellists including Jesse Scott (Visiting Research Fellow, German Institute for Economic Research), Rosa Martinez (Green European Journal - editorial board), Shahin Vallée (German Council on Foreign Relations, France-Germany), Stéphane Bourgeois (leader of the Collaborative Low Energy Vision for the European Region (CLEVER) research project and European relations and policy manager at NEGA-WATT, France), and Fabrizia Lapecorella (Deputy Secretary-General, OECD).

STATUTORY AND NETWORKING MEETINGS

In 2023, the GEF board held eight meetings to oversee the organisation's decision-making processes. Two General Assemblies (GA) were also held in 2023: one on 2 June in Vienna and the other on 20 October in Brussels.

These General Assemblies provided a valuable opportunity for GEF and its partners to reflect on the challenges facing the Green movement in Europe ahead of the European elections. During the June GA, we facilitated a political exchange with European Green movement partners on the current state of play and trends in different member states.

In the October GA, we organised a roundtable discussion on the implications of the upcoming EU elections for the work of green foundations and their political education mandate. Foundation representatives from Austria, Sweden, Spain, Croatia and Latvia contributed to this dialogue. Additionally, we welcomed two new observer members to the GEF General Assembly: Brīvības un solidaritātes fonds (Latvia) and Grüne Bildungswerkstatt Wien (Austria).

On 19 October, GEF hosted its annual Projects Lab, a collaborative forum where we delved into the prevailing political landscape and identified key topics and debates to be addressed by Green political foundations, supporting the implementation of the work programme in 2024.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Costs

Reimbursable costs	Budget	Actual
A.1: Personnel costs	1.251.000,00	1.222.488,82
1. Salaries	750.000,00	911.989,10
2. Contributions	400.000,00	224.099,71
3. Professional training	28.000,00	18.164,55
4. Staff missions expenses	18.000,00	16.792,09
5. Other personnel costs	55.000,00	51.443,37
A.2: Infrastructure and operating costs	146.000,00	121.971,35
1. Rent, charges and maintenance costs	76.000,00	76.216,24
2. Costs relating to installation, operation and maintenance of equipment	10.000,00	15.173,31
3. Depreciation of movable and immovable property	10.000,00	6.552,18
4. Stationery and office supplies	10.000,00	2.780,52
5. Postal and telecommunications charges	30.000,00	15.056,79
6. Printing, translation and reproduction costs	10.000,00	6.192,31
7. Other infrastructure costs	0,00	0,00
A.3: Administrative costs	79.000,00	107.452,33
Documentation costs (newspapers, press agencies, databases)	3.000,00	4.910,20
2. Costs of studies and research	50.000,00	76.610,20
3. Legal costs	10.000,00	17.056,82
4. Accounting and audit costs	15.000,00	5.951,89
5. Miscellaneous administrative costs	1.000,00	2.923,22
6. Support to third parties	0,00	0,00
A.4: Meetings and representation costs	111.500,00	88.352,53
1. Costs of meetings	60.000,00	53.257,07
2. Participation in seminars and conferences	20.000,00	9.113,64
3. Representation costs	30.000,00	18.470,05
4. Costs of invitations	1.500,00	7.511,77
5. Other meeting-related costs	0,00	0,00
A.5: Information and publication costs	760.921,00	816.987,24
1. Publication costs	190.000,00	192.525,30
2. Creation and operation of Internet sites	15.000,00	27.522,20
3. Publicity costs	10.000,00	7.860,34
4. Communications equipment (gadgets)	1.000,00	0,00
5. Seminar and exhibitions	544.921,00	589.079,40
6. Other information-related costs	0,00	0,00
A.6. Allocation to "Provision to cover eligible costs of the first quarter of year N+1"		216.342,78

A. TOTAL ELIGIBLE COSTS	2.348.421,00	2.573.595,05
Ineligible costs	0,00	
1. Allocations to other Provisions	0,00	
2. Financial charges	0,00	
3. Exchange losses	0,00	
4. Doubtful claims on third parties	0,00	
5. Others (to be specified)	0,00	39.180,39
5. Contributions in kind	0,00	
B. TOTAL INELIGIBLE COSTS	0,00	39.180,39
C. TOTAL COSTS	2.348.421,00	2.612.775,44

Revenue

	Budget	Actual
D.1. Dissolution of "Provision to cover eligible costs of the first quarter of year N"	n/a	225.174,00
D.2. European Parliament funding	2.231.000,00	2.231.000,00
D.3. Member contributions	58.000,00	74.868,47
3.1 from member organisations	58.000,00	74.868,47
3.2 from individual members	0,00	
D.4. Donations	40.421,00	46.035,01
Individual donations	3.000,00	2.902,21
Philanthropic foundations	17.421,00	25.000,00
National and European partner foundations	20.000,00	18.132,80
D.5. Other own resources	19.000,00	35.697,96
Books sales and participation fees	9.000,00	7.107,41
Capacity building trainings and workshops	10.000,00	2.330,00
Revenue to cover non-eligible expenditure		4.268,68
Use of reserve		36.252,00
D.6. Interest from pre-financing		
D.7. Contributions in kind		
D.8. Other revenue to cover non-eligible expenses		
D. TOTAL REVENUE	2.348.421,00	2.612.775,44
E. profit/loss (D-C)	0,00	14.260,22
F. Allocation of own resources to reserve account	0,00	14.260,22
G. Profit/loss for verifying compliance with the no-profit rule (E-F)	0,00	0,00

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