

Values of the ECPF

The values and vision of the ECPF are based on the Bible and Christian tradition. The ECPF shares the values and ideas that are described in the basic vision document of the ECPM.

The ECPF emphasizes the importance of human dignity, the protection of life, respect for the family and the fundamental importance of freedom of faith and conscience.



The ECPF also recognizes the vital role of an active civil society and trustworthy government that tries to achieve justice. In its work the ECPF focuses especially on:

The importance of Christian values and inspiration

Christianity was and is the foundation for European society and the source for a free and sustainable society in the future.

Human Dignity

The vision that the human person is a creation in the image of God is fundamental for the protection of life in all its vulnerability.

Life and Society

Life is relational and society and its economy depend on the relations between people and creation.

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for Europe's future!*

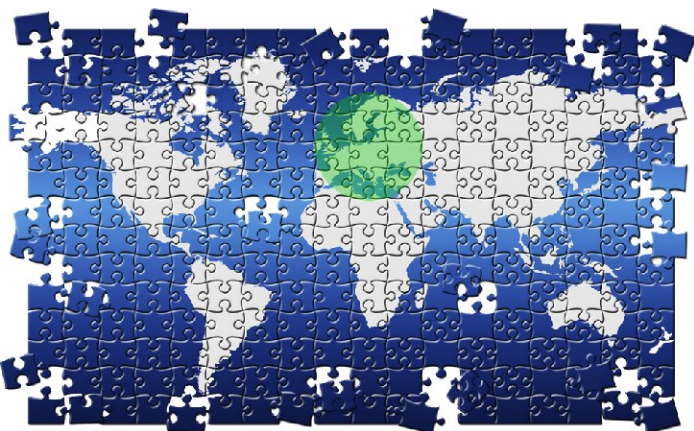
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Thinking Christianly?

Do you agree that there is a need for a different approach in Europe?

Do you agree that Christian inspiration is necessary for new ideas for our future?

Do you think that Christians in Europe should work together to give voice to this inspiration and new ideas in society and politics?



The European Christian Political Foundation aims to connect people and ideas and to influence developments in Europe. Through this process of co-operation the ECPF wants to create a platform that will give Christian inspiration a firmer place in the debates on our continent.

This co-operation will also enable a creative process of bringing forward new ideas that are inspired and defined by Christian faith. These are the ideas that are a necessary inspiration for policies and policy makers in Europe.

Organization

The ECPF is the new initiative in the wider framework of the European Christian Political Movement. It has been recognized in 2011 by the European Parliament as the official European political foundation to the ECPM.

Think-tanks and NGOs from all over Europe working at the crossroads of Christian faith, society and politics are members of the ECPF as well as individuals who want to contribute to this process of creating alternatives for Europe's future.



The first Board of the ECPF was convened in September 2010. The chair of the ECPF is David Fieldsend (Belgium), director of Care for Europe. He is supported by Gert-Jan Segers (treasurer, The Netherlands) director of the scientific institute of the ChristenUnie, Benjamin Lup (secretary, Romania), director of WorldTeach Europe and Paulius Saudargas (Lithuania) MP in the Lithuanian Seimas.

Activities

The ECPF has three main goals among which its activities will be organized:



> Connecting Christian inspired think-tanks and NGOs and starting a process of exchange of knowledge and experience. The ECPF website will become a European portal to many organizations, virtual libraries and information on many fields of policy. Also a database will be developed that will help parties, politicians and other organizations in their work.

> Informing parties and politicians at the national level on important European policy developments that will enable them to react early and efficiently on ideas coming from the EU institutions. This work will be accompanied by actual policy comments.

> Creating new ideas and approaches to the challenges in a globalised world and a global economy. The ECPF supports in-depth study projects that highlight and work from Christian inspiration. The ECPF wants to formulate attractive alternatives for the dominant secular dogmas in culture and economics.