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At its meeting on 17 October 2024, the European Council approved the minutes of its meeting on 23 and 24 June 2022, as set out in this document, and decided to make them public.

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**1. Exchange of views with the President of the European Parliament**

The President of the European Parliament was heard by the European Council.

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

The European Council adopted its agenda as set out in document EUCO 25/22.

**3. Wider Europe**

The European Council held a strategic discussion on the European Union's relations with its partners in Europe. It discussed the proposal to launch a European political community. The European Council will revert to the issue.

**4. Ukraine**

The European Council held an informal exchange of views with the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr ZELENSKYY, via videolink.

The European Council discussed the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine in its different dimensions. It agreed the European Union will continue to provide strong support for Ukraine's overall economic, military, social and financial resilience, including humanitarian aid.

**5. Membership applications of Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia**

The European Council held an informal exchange of views with the President of the Republic of Moldova Maia SANDU and the President of Georgia Salome ZOURABICHVILI, via videolink.

The European Council decided to grant the status of candidate country to Ukraine and to the Republic of Moldova. It invited the Commission to report to the Council on the fulfilment of the conditions specified in the Commission's opinions on the respective membership applications as part of its regular enlargement package.

The European Council established it is ready to grant the status of candidate country to Georgia once the priorities specified in the Commission's opinion on Georgia's membership application have been addressed.

## **6. Western Balkans**

The European Council discussed the European Union's relations with the Western Balkans and reiterated its commitment to the EU membership perspective of the region.

It was informed about the latest developments on discussions between Bulgaria and North Macedonia.

The European Council addressed recent political developments in Bosnia and Herzegovina. It established it is ready to grant the status of candidate country to Bosnia and Herzegovina and to that aim it invited the Commission to report without delay to the Council on implementation of the 14 key priorities set out in its opinion with special attention to those which constitute a substantial set of reforms in order for the European Council to revert to decide on the matter.

## **7. Economic issues**

The European Council discussed high energy prices and how to address them.

It generally endorsed the integrated country-specific recommendations as discussed by the Council.

The European Council also endorsed the Commission's proposal that Croatia adopt the euro on 1 January 2023. The statement for the minutes presented by the German delegation is reproduced in the Annex.

## **8. Conference on the Future of Europe**

The European Council took note of the proposals set out in the Report on the outcome of the Conference submitted to the three co-Presidents.

## **9. External relations**

The European Council discussed relations with Turkey and developments in Belarus.

## **10. Adoption of the conclusions**

The European Council adopted the conclusions, reflecting the outcome of its discussions, as set out in document EUCO 24/22.

**Statement by the German delegation**

“Deutschland weist darauf hin, dass die Bundesregierung vor der abschließenden Entscheidung im Rat gemäß Artikel 140 Absatz 2 AEUV zur Einführung des Euro in einem weiteren Mitgliedstaat mit dem Bundestag Einvernehmen herstellen soll.“

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