

# Volt Europa Board Election Programme 2026: Listen locally, learn European by Ole Moors

This document is not a fixed election programme, it is the initial version of a living programme, one which anyone can suggest improvements and ideas to, using a form!

The living programme can be found here:

[📄 Volt Europa Board Election Programme](#)

The form can be found here:

<https://forms.gle/bXyKA63vycZbbhu38>

**Think European, act locally**, that is Volt's motto. Due to this approach, Volt thinks more broadly than any other party, creating policy from a European perspective instead of just a national one, and enabling Volt chapters on national, regional and local levels to base their policies on that broader perspective as well.

This way of thinking is unique to Volt and our greatest pride. As a candidate non-executive board member of Volt Europa, I would like to not only protect this core strength of our movement, but also enhance it by investing in an opposite, bottom-up approach: **Listen locally, learn European**. By improving the flow of perspectives, ideas and feedback from local chapters to the European level and all levels in between, I would like to empower Volt to continuously improve both its policy and its inner workings based on local perspectives all over Europe.

On the next page, you can see my current plans and ideas for bringing this into practice. In addition, **in the living document linked above, you can also add your own suggestions using comments!** Thank you for reading!

Kind regards,  
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## Conduct as Non-Executive Board member

My general conduct as a Non-Executive Board member would be **steadfastly value-driven, yet constructive**. I would always act in accordance with Volt's interests and values, and I expect others in the board and the rest of Volt to do so as well. However, if I end up in disagreement with fellow board members or other Volters, or feel they do not act in accordance with Volt's values, I would never immediately seek conflict. My first step would always be to seek common ground, by finding solutions that combine perspectives on all sides, or alternative paths that better align with Volt's values. This approach served me well in the Control Board of the international student organisation IAAS World. If this first step fails, and I feel Volt's values are at stake, I would see if other board members and stakeholders share my concerns, and if yes, together deliberate further possible steps and statements.

## Listen locally, learn European

The general theme of what I want to focus on within the board is greater empowerment of members and chapters to shape Volt's movement and course. These are some ideas of how I would like to achieve that:

- **Greater European connection:** Getting in contact with Volters across Europe feels more difficult than it needs to be. I would like to look into ways to lower these barriers, such as a centralised European contact list and more accessible (and preferably European) digital platforms and infrastructure.
- **A stronger voice for small chapters:** Most members of Volt live in the Netherlands or Germany, causing perspectives of the other national chapters to be less visible and heard. By granting the Country Council and national boards the institutional power to add advice to European GA votes, and investigating a double majority voting system to prevent dominance of a few national chapters, I would like to grant more visibility and importance to the perspective of small chapters.
- **Support for grassroots initiatives:** Volters have lots of amazing ideas, but don't always have the means to make them real. I would like to look into a system where any Volter, with enough supporters, can get help from Volt Europa to bring their idea into reality.
- **Policy grounded in local reality:** In terms of policy, I would also like to encourage local Volt chapters to collect citizen perspectives and best practices all over Europe, and set up systems to allow these to flow all throughout Volt. Ultimate goal: a feedback loop where Volt policy on all levels continuously improves based on local experiences!

## Other ideas

- **Celebrating Europe Day:** May 9th, Europe Day, should be Volt's most important date on the calendar, but celebrations stay small-scale within our movement. In the board, I would like to look into possible larger-scale events to celebrate Europe Day, to increase the visibility and togetherness of Volt. One possible idea: running events around three-country tripoints around Europe?
- **Voting on GA locations:** Currently, the location of the Volt Europa GAs is determined by the European board. However, in IAAS World, it is the norm to let members vote on the location of the next GA based on proposals from national chapters, and that system works very well there. I would like to see if something like this is possible and desirable within Volt as well, though I imagine logistical feasibility could be an obstacle.

**And more to come: look at [the living version of this programme](#), or [send suggestions to add to the living programme](#)!**