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The european party.

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EUROPE AS GUARANTEE FOR PROSPERITY, SECURITY AND DEMOCRACY

Dear fellow citizens,

Prosperity, security and democracy are not possible for a country like Luxembourg without a united Europe. This was true after the Second World War, when CSV heads of Government Joseph Bech and Pierre Dupong laid the foundations for Luxembourg to have a seat at the table for Europe's future.

This is true again today, now that Russia has attacked Ukraine and war is once again raging in Europe and freedom and security in Europe are at stake. And where economic competition from Asia and America is becoming stronger.

We can only solve Luxembourg's major future issues with our neighbours and allies:

Security and stability, climate change, energy supply, competitiveness and jobs, migration issues, human rights and the rule of law.

That is why the European elections on 9 June are so important. They will decide which path our continent and our country will take. We need a foundation of fundamental democratic values on which we can shape the future together. We need a common foreign and security policy so that we can achieve peace and freedom at home and in the world. We need a strong economy, research, and innovation so that we can create and maintain jobs in the global economy. We need renewable energies so that we can live more independently and in a more climate-friendly way.

This is what we are working on. These are not simple questions that we are facing. As a major party of the centre and part of the European People's Party (EPP), the CSV has made a significant contribution to guaranteeing prosperity and freedom in Europe in recent decades. In times of war and geopolitical tensions, Europe must have a strong voice. And Luxembourg must have a strong voice in Europe.

That is why I invite you to vote for the CSV candidates in the elections for the European Parliament on 9 June, so that Luxembourg retains a sensible and strong voice in Europe.

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Prime Minister CSV Party Chairman

















CSV. THE EUROPEAN PARTY.

CHRISTOPHE HANSEN

The CSV supports European integration according to the motto 'More Europe is the solution'. As a founding member of the European People's Party (EPP), which is committed to promoting European values and co-operation, the clearly pro-European CSV is the European party par excellence in Luxembourg. As the governing party and leading political force in Luxembourg, the CSV plays an important role in shaping and implementing EU policy at national level. Luxembourg's prosperity and quality of life

are closely linked to the development of the European Union and in particular with the four fundamental freedoms and the resulting single market. But Europe is also a winner through Luxembourg, where integration is lived like nowhere else. Thanks to this characteristic openness, Luxembourgers such as Jacques Santer, Viviane Reding and most recently Jean-Claude Juncker have played a key role in making the EU what it is today. A safer and better future through unity.





JEAN-CLAUDE JUNCKER

"Since the first direct elections to the European Parliament in June 1979, Europe has changed fundamentally. The European Union is threatened from outside and questioned from within.

The peace dividend that gave us hope after the turnaround in Eastern and Central Europe has been used up. Following Russia's attack on Ukraine, continental stability is in danger. Europe must become a fortified democracy and do more for its own security.

The EU is in danger from the extreme right. The return to the blind nation state propagated by the far right is ta-

king an axe to the European founding pact, which aimed for peaceful coexistence in European societies.

The EPP is facing up to these challenges of our time. The European elections in June will be about pushing back the forces that are leading Europe to the sidelines. The social dimension of the European Union must be made more ambitious, climate change must be countered not with words but with sustainable action and the extreme aberration must be brought to an end

That is why the European elections are more important than ever."



MARTINE KEMP

The European idea is in the DNA of the CSV. Alongside many influential politicians who have shaped European history, the CSV stands for the values of solidarity, peace, security, democracy, freedom, and human rights like no other party.

As a founding member of the European Union, Luxembourg is part of the bedrock. As a small country, we know how crucial partnerships with our neighbours

and other countries are to tackle the problems that one country cannot solve alone. The harmonious coexistence of many different nationalities is deeply rooted in Luxembourg. These values are at the heart of the European project and are reflected throughout the Union. These fundamental values of our Union must return to the centre of Europe in order to secure our common future and prosperity."





Luxembourg is a small country. However, together with its neighbours, it sits at the EU negotiating table as an equal partner and can help shape the future of the continent through smart contributions.

Luxembourg does not have a significant market. However, as a participant in the large EU internal market, it has succeeded in building up its own interconnected and well-functioning economic system.

Over the decades, Luxembourg has been able to expand its radius and guarantee its security and sovereignty. Through and with the EU, little Luxembourg became quite big!





JACQUES SANTER

"Luxembourg is one of the six founding members of today's European Union. Thanks to Europe, we have a voice that is heard globally. We are part of the largest single market in the world. The euro has become an integral part of our everyday lives. The single currency offers enormous benefits to both our citizens and our entrepreneurs. Pierre Werner was one of its masterminds. Together with Jean-Claude Juncker and many other convinced European politi-

cians, I was able to contribute as President of the Commission to the centennial project that is the Euro.

Since the founding of the European Coal and Steel Community in 1951, Europe has been an asset for Luxembourg. CSV politicians have recognised this from the very beginning and have therefore played a decisive role in all important stages of European integration."

ISABEL WISELER-LIMA

"From the very beginning, the CSV has made the European idea a cornerstone of its political thinking. During all these years, the increasing integration of the countries of Europe has been a guarantor of peace, a symbol of freedom and a path to prosperity.

Generations of CSV politicians have made the deepening of the European Union their political goal in life. Joseph Bech, Pierre Werner, Jacques Santer and Jean-Claude Juncker have contributed significantly to the deepening of our Union. Europe owes them a great deal. And so do we.

I want to take up and continue this mission. Europe is under pressure to-day. From within and from outside. More than ever, we need a strong European Union for freedom, democracy, human rights and the rule of law. And to guarantee peace and security."



EUROPE STANDS FOR FREEDOM AND PEACE.





Europe began with the dream of peace and freedom. In the beginning there was an unprecedented community of peace. This dream has become reality in our Union. It must remain so.

Nevertheless, the largest war since the Second World War is currently raging in Ukraine - right in the centre

80 %

OF EUROPEANS WANT STRONGER DEFENCE POLICY COOPERATION

(Source: Eurobarometer June 2023)

of Europe. Added to this is the Middle East crisis, which must not become a conflagration. Systemic rivalries are causing further global tensions. For the European party CSV, the protection of peace and freedom remains the DNA of our Union.

THE PEACE PROJECT MUST BECOME A FORCE FOR PEACE.

Specifically, we want to develop Europe into a security union. With a genuine defence policy that goes beyond enhanced cooperation.

In solidarity with Ukraine. We want to invest more in the defence of our values, with the EU as a pillar within NATO. With a Commissioner for security in Brussels. We want to move away from unanimity in foreign policy.



OF EUROPEANS WANT TO INVEST MORE MONEY IN EUROPE'S DEFENCE

(Source: Eurobarometer June 2023)

We want a Europe with a strong voice.

Our goal is to guarantee people a secure everyday life in the future.

WITHOUT FEAR.
IN PEACE AND FREEDOM

EUROPE CREATESWEALTH AND WELL-BEING.

Europe is more than its single market. But without the single market, everything is nothing. Our prosperity must be earned.

The CSV wants to strengthen the single market and Europe as a business location. To secure prosperity, we need sustainable and inclusive growth. Growth in social justice and the fight against poverty. Growth that also promotes well-being, without a hamster wheel. Growth that reaches people in their everyday lives.

A strong welfare state needs a strong economy. Small and medium-sized enterprises form the backbone of our economy. We want to give them a boost. We want to remain a pioneer in the financial sector.



Specifically, we want to strengthen the middle class and close the gap between rich and poor. We want to overcome geo-blocking. We want to reduce bureaucracy. We want an SME Commissioner in Brussels. We want to strengthen crafts and agriculture. We need companies as European champions. We want to pool talent and promote private investment. We want a social union with strengthened social rights as well as a health union.

Our goal is to continue to fulfil the promise of a sustainable social market economy in the future:

PROSPERITY FOR ALL.

EUROPE STANDS FOR DIGITALISATION AND INNOVATION.

Europe is not yesterday's news. Europe can also be tomorrow. Innovation and imagination, research and education are our most important raw materials.

THE WORLD OF TOMORROW MUST BE CREATED IN EUROPE TODAY.

The CSV wants to strengthen Europe's innovative strength and technological independence. Europe must also become more future proof in terms of digitalisation.

Specifically, we want to invest more in research and the digital transformation. We want to become world class again in key digital technologies such as quantum computing. We want European leadership in artificial intelligence. We want to make AI ready for the market. At the same time, people must remain in control. We also want to protect citizens in the digital space. The keyword is cyber security.



LUXEMBOURG SHOULD BECOME A DIGITAL CENTRE OF THE FUTURE.

We want tax incentives for the best minds. We want pioneering worldclass universities. We want to better connect Europe's schools and universities. And expand exchange programmes. Also for vocational training programmes.

Our goal is to put Europe back at the forefront of global progress. And take everyone with it. **81**%



OF CITIZENS HAVE ACCESS TO 5G

(Source: Report on the State of the EU's Digital Decade - September 2023)

77% CF PUBLIC SERVICES ARE ACCESSIBLE ONLINE

(Source: Report on the State of the EU's Digital Decade - September 2023)



EUROPE SECURES OUR ENERGY SUPPLY.

Europe is a guarantor of sustainable security. Also for sustainable energy security.

SECURITY IS ONLY POSSIBLE TOGETHER.

Only together can our Union act as a global energy player.

92 OF CITIZENS WANT LESS % ENERGY DEPENDENCE ON THIRD COUNTRIES

(Source: Eurobarometer June 2023)

The CSV is in favour of both robust energy security and strong climate protection. Positive climate protection with and for the people. In a Europe that collaborates more closely on energy policy.

Specifically, we will prioritise the consistent expansion of renewable energies. In addition to wind power and photovoltaics, we also want to invest more in clean hydrogen in our Greater Region. We want a realistic climate transition, together with the citizens. We are increasingly focussing on the circular economy. We are striving for a pioneering role for Europe in terms of climate neutrality.



We support the vision of a European Green Deal. We are in favour of socially just and uncoerced climate protection. We want to lead the way in green industries. We want to invest more in sustainable battery systems. Our goal is a secure, sustainable and affordable energy supply for our citizens and companies. Today and tomorrow. With secure jobs.

A STRONG EUROPE.

THE CSV EU ELECTION MANIFESTO IN 12 PRIORITIES



1. A STRONG EUROPE FOR RUBUST SECURITY.

- A European defence policy beyond enhanced cooperation
- A strong EU within NATO
- A Commissioner for defence in the EU Commission
- Closer cooperation among the intelligence community



2. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A VOICE IN THE WORLD.

- Foreign policy decisions without unanimity
- Operational EU striving for a Two-State solution in the Middle East
- Better protection for EU companies against unfair competition
- Strive for strategic cooperation with Africa



3. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG UKRAINE.

- Continued solidarity with Ukraine
- Aid for the reconstruction of Ukraine



4. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG

- Less bureaucracy, more risk-seeking (one in, one out principle)
- Sustainable and inclusive growth for wealth and wellbeing
- Luxembourg must remain front-runner in finance
- EU agriculture remains societal choice
- More support for innovative family businesses



5. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG SINGLE MARKET.

- Safeguard the barrier-free single market for the future
- Commitment against geo-blocking
- For open trade policy in the EU



A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG SOCIAL MODEL.

- Strengthen the middle classes
- Narrow the wealth gap
- Strengthen social rights
- Expand the health union



7. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG DIGITAL UNION.

- become a front runner in artificial intelligence
- expand the digital future hub Luxembourg



8. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG INNOVATION HUB.

- More pioneering world-class universities in Europe
- More exchange programmes for students and pupils



9. A STRONG EUROPE FOR STRONG CLIMATE CHANGE.

- Europe must become front-runner in climate neutrality
- For socially just and uncoerced climate protection
- Substantial expansion of renewable energy



10. A STRONG EUROPE FOR STRONG RULE OF LAW.

- Further expansion of the Schengen control system
- Social migration policy with heart and common sense
- An EU with strong borders and open doors



11. A STRONG EUROPE FOR STRONG TOGETHERNESS

- For less bureaucracy and a more user-friendly Europe
- Strengthen the Greater Region and National Parliaments
- Strengthen Luxembourg as EU capital and seat of EU institutions



12. A STRONG EUROPE FOR A STRONG COMMUNITY OF VALUES.

- A Europe that secures our way of life
- A Europe that defends our values









OUR CANDIDATES FOR THE EUROPEAN ELECTIONS



ISABEL WISELER-LIMA

Lead candidate







When Isabel Wiseler-Lima was on holiday in Portugal as a child, her mother said: "Don't talk so loud. You never know who's listening." Portugal was a dictatorship. The lesson stuck: "Democracy can never be taken for granted." This experience is one reason for her commitment. First in 2005, on the municipal council of Luxembourg City. In 2017, she was elected second on the CSV list and became the Alderwoman responsible for social welfare.

"Here I was close to the people. I was able to make a direct impact." After the 2019 European elections, she made the move to Strasbourg: "Being an MEP is a great challenge. But you can also make a difference."

Isabel Wiseler-Lima is considered one of the most influential MEPs. Her topics are human rights, democracy and the rule of law. Her word as EPP spokesperson for human rights carries weight. She is a member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs Committee, the Subcommittee on Human Rights and a deputy in the LIBE Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. And one of five Quaestors. She is also an advocate for Luxembourg as an EU seat. After studying literature in Paris, the mother of three grown-up children was a teacher at the secondary school Fieldgen. There you need patience, you have to listen and be able to explain. This is also an advantage in politics.

Lead candidate

CHRISTOPHE HANSEN

When it comes to Europe, he knows exactly how things work. Christophe Hansen was a CSV Member of the European Parliament from September 2018 to autumn 2023. Before that, he worked in the Permanent Representation of Luxembourg to the EU and for the Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce in Brussels. "We are a small country. That's why we need Europe more than others. Without the EU, our prosperity would be nowhere near as great," says the staunch European.

His record in Strasbourg is impressive. His topics have included environmental and agricultural policy, the economy and trade. The graduate environmental scientist was rapporteur on the Drinking Water Directive, the Deforestation Directive and the partnership with London after Brexit.

He was proposed as the future EU Commissioner for Luxembourg during the coalition negotiations. For him, one thing is clear: "We need administrative simplification. The EU is too cumbersome. And we need an independent Commissioner for defence."

Even though Christophe Hansen is currently a national CSV MP, it was immediately clear to him that he would have to stand in the European elections. "It's a question of legitimacy." And even if he were to return to Brussels, the "Bauerejong" (farmers boy) from the north would remain anchored in Luxembourg. And with both feet on the ground.



GUY BREDEN



"I'm a bit of a revolutionary or pioneer," says Guy Breden. The Chairman of CSV South constituency is a man of renewable energies, climate protection and new technologies. The industrial engineer drives the first hydrogen car in the country. Even if he still has to refuel in Saarbrücken at the moment. His motto: If you believe in something, you have to do something about it.

The local councillor from Kehlen is open to new technologies. His house is currently being covered with photovoltaic roof tiles. He has initiated a renewable energy project in his community.

Practice and interaction are important to the sought-after guest speaker: "New technology must be practicable. We can't afford to let individual technologies fall by the wayside."

His other hobby is digitalisation: "We need one-stop shop where citizens can do everything digitally. At state and municipal level."

He has swapped his job as a computer scientist at Luxembourg City for the position of Chairman of the personnel delegation of the City's civil servants: "I want to be 100 per cent committed." And he still finds time for clubs, for walks, for his motorbike and for his new bagpipes.

MÉLANIE GRÜN

Mélanie Grün is a teacher with heart and soul: "I want to teach young people something for life." For her, school is not just about imparting knowledge. Social aspects are also important to her. That's why she leads the theatre group at the Lycée Nic-Biever: "Organising is my thing."

Her colleagues at the Kayl-Tétange Tourism Syndicate can confirm this: As secretary, Mélanie has everything under control. When she does something, she does it thoroughly. She is also firmly anchored in village life. She knows where the shoe pinches. Mélanie Grün stood as a candidate in the municipal elections for the first time in 2017. As the third-placed candidate on the CSV list, she has been

a member of Kayl-Tétange municipal council since 2023. In the same year, she took over the chairmanship of the CSG, the umbrella organisation for all CSV municipal councillors.

The national elections followed in 2023. Now she is moving to Europe. She is interested in education and exchange programmes: "I took part in Erasmus myself. It was a great experience." Martine Kemp gave her a taste for it: "Her social media posts as an MEP have made European politics visible to me."

If there's any time left over, Mélanie Grün enjoys jogging. Also when she is chasing her own goals. No wonder with so much commitment.











MARTINE KEMP





Martine Kemp needs her safety waistcoat less these days. Since she replaced Christophe Hansen in the European Parliament in October, the environment in which the young woman from Dudelange lives has changed. The former transport engineer for the Luxembourg City no longer works on construction sites, but walks in Europe's corridors.

But she remains committed to mobility policy: "The perspective is different. I used to take care of the implementation. In Parliament, I have a more general view." The likeable MEP also focusses on environmental and health policy. "The change wasn't easy, but it was exciting," says the former CSJ Vice-President.

Her open-minded character and her enjoyment of new experiences have helped her. Added to this are her sense of humour and quick wit.

Politics is nothing new for Françoise Kemp's sister. She was involved in the Youth Parliament at a young age. Now she has gone one step further. When the 29-year-old politician wants something, she can get stuck in. But she always listens, debates in a problem-orientated way and looks for practical solutions.

When time allows, she plays basketball. Furthermore: once a scout, always a scout.



METTY STEINMETZ

Metty Steinmetz discovered his passion for Europe at a young age. Europe is a recurring theme throughout his political science studies in Vienna and at the College of Europe. "My final theses always had a European connection," says the 30-year-old political scientist.

After graduating, Metty Steinmetz completed an internship at the European Commission. He knows his way around the EU: "Europe is my hobby." The European candidate list was his first choice.

His first contact with politics was in the Youth Parliament. From there, it wasn't far to the CSV and the CSJ. He represented the CSJ as International Secretary in the EPP youth organisation YEPP. Here he was elected Financial Auditor.

Metty Steinmetz has been CSJ Chairman since 2 March. With 98 per cent of the votes. "I want to help shape things and look for solutions. I want to use this platform. The course we set today will determine the lives of future generations."

In his home municipality of Rosport-Mompach, the staunch European is active in the integration commission. As far as his job at the Chamber of Commerce and his commitments allow, he sings in the "Chœur de Chambre de Luxembourg" or goes jogging.



WE ARE COMING **CSV ON TOUR!**



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03/06 - 19h00 Bistro 46 am Tuerm 46, rue de l'Industrie L-9250 Diekirch

ELECTORAL MEETING IN THE SOUTH**

05/06 - 19h00 1535° Creative Hub 115A, rue Emile Mark L-4620 Differdange

ELECTORAL MEETING IN THE EAST*

06/06 - 19h00 Bistro Lënster 6, Iernzwee L-6129 Junglinster



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