



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

European Forum Committee meeting on July 20th, 2025, 9am – 10.30am

At the University of Sussex, Brighton, UK.

Sunday July 20th, 2025

1. **Welcome – Carola van Zanen-van Rijn, chair EU Forum Committee 2024-2026** *introduced the members of the EFC to all the Forum members participating.*

The European Forum Committee 2024-2026:

-Chair and members:

Chair: Carola van Zanen van Rijn (NL)

Treasurer: Henna Peratalo (FIN)

Secretary: Muriel Marsh (NO)

Anette Nyberg (SWE) replaced by Ann-Katrin Swärd in June 2025.

Diana Bell (GB)

Kadri Mettis (EST)

Thi Finkemeyer (GER)

Vilborg Ása Bjarnadóttir (ICE)

Europe Regional Director: Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf

2. The minutes of the European Forum Committee meeting of 12th July, 2024 at the Convention in Maryland USA, were approved. Marie Antoinette explained the need to cap travel costs for members to €300.
3. Report from the EFC-Chair, Carola van Zanen-van Rijn
4. **Energizer**
5. Financial Report was given by Henna Perätalo (Finland). It was emphasised that the Emergency Fund the EFC has can be given to projects for refugees, (e.g. books, etc). The fund stands at €627 per 30.06.25
6. **Applying for a nominated position:** the role of Regional Director, Europe is open as and from 2026. The Forum members were asked to forward their names, encourage suitable members to apply. In addition, members are encouraged to apply for a position in an international committee. The Deadline date is September 15th, 2025.
7. **Important upcoming dates: October 14th, Zoom meeting in the educational Topics. The title is “The Ethics of AI”.**

International Convention in Colorado, USA, 2026. Carola reminded members of the next Convention in Denver, Colorado in 2026. The work of the Byelaws committee will be voted on here as well as a new RD and committee members.

- 8. European Forum Conference in Norway, 2027:** Helga Kristine Bates (President, Norway), welcomed members to Norway in 2027. The Norwegian members present sang the DKG European song that had been a tradition for some of the Chapters!

The dates and venue will be debated as soon as the Norwegian board reconvenes for the autumn session. In the meantime, members are asked to take part in the survey after the Conference, to give as much input to the EFC and Norway in their planning of the upcoming conference.

- 9. Other business/comments from the membership.**

- 10. Energizer:** Carola had a Menti-meter activity. The results will be sent members of the EFC.

- 11. Celebration of Life:** *Deceased members of the last biennium were remembered with the reading of the names and with the placement of white roses amongst the red. Poems were read by Carola and Marie Antoinette.*

- 12. Closing statement with Carola**