



AVE (Association of Greens using Esperanto) has been founded in March 1984 in Liège (Belgium) on occasion of the first meeting of the European Green Parties by Maire Mullarney (1922-2008, Irish Green Party), Christopher Fettes, Jean-Claude Thumerelle, Wolfgang Guenther, Ute Haas, Emilo Mas & Claude Rouget (Verdire).
Secretary since European Greens, Zurich 1991, Manfred Westermayer

AVE cooperates with Green Parties and some Esperanto Organisations like UEA, SAT etc.

We have more than 300 members globally, partially green party members.

We contribute through meetings and lectures e.g. in Maribor (EEU, 2007) about "Water and Plastics", or on ecological events like "Ekologio kaj Turismo" (Riga).

2014 we met in Rijeka, Croatia, congress of the European Esperanto Union: www.europo.eu/eo/

Our **philosophy**: Realisation of thinking and acting according to the principle that life and not humans is the central and pivotal point of evolution on our planet. Esperanto as an international language with its attributes "linguistic neutrality and worldwide applicableness" accords to the ecological principle "Small is Beautiful".

Aims of AVE: Using and spreading of Esperanto as an international communication tool within the Green Movement, based on ecological, social, basis-democratical and peaceful principles.

AVE supports Green Parties and inform our Esperanto friends about Green issues.

During the 90ies Green MEPs by 25% supported Esperanto, according to the Pirlot-List.

Why Esperanto for the Greens ? www.verdujoj.org/esperant.htm

AVE since 1984 cooperates with the European Green Parties to inform about Esperanto and to explore its potential. We regularly attend the Greens' congresses and present Esperanto. Very well **interpreting of the main lectures into Esperanto occurred 1991 at the first European Congress of Green Parties in Zurich** by Farjon de Lagatinerie and Claude Piron.

Thanks to the global AVE-members we could also attend all **Global Green Congresses** (Canberra 2001, Nairobi 2007, Sao Paulo 2008, Dakar 2012, Liverpool 2017).

Some green councils and congresses voted for resolutions to perform experiments relating the usage of Esperanto. Charter and declarations of global Greens are available also in Esperanto:

Charter: www.globalgreens.org/sites/globalgreens.org/files/GG_charter_2012_esperanto.pdf

Declaration 2017 – Esperanto see below: www.globalgreens.org/news/liverpool-declaration

And there are links to us on several sites of Green Parties:

German **Grüne Jugend** links to Esperanto: www.gruene-jugend.de/gruene-jugend-internationale/

1999: **Esperanto commission of Les Verts (EELV)** in France: www.esperanto.eelv.fr

Les Verts noted Esperanto in their European Programme under "Linguistic Policy,"

1. To explore the usage of Esperanto as a bridge language for the international communication.
2. To explore the potential of Esperanto within the EU.
3. Esperanto at schools as an optional language.

2002: German Greens "**Bündnis 90 / Die Grünen**" adopted our amendment for their Grundsatzprogramm (p. 158); and in Discussion "grün 2020" there is a brilliant essay of Britta Loose about "Esperanto in Europe 2020".

2008: AVE organised a workshop about language policy on occasion of the European Green Summer University in Frankfurt/Oder & Slubice. We performed Esperanto as a living language with its own culture (original and translated literature, theatre works, songs and songs, peace-loving history & evolving linguistics). We would like to ask the Committee for Culture and Education of the EP for a scientific research about contributions of Esperanto for the intercultural dialogue.

2009: **German Greens** accepted the amendment for their European Program WUMS „Vielfalt ist lebendig und darf nicht auf reine Folklore oder den Namensschutz von Camembert, Feta und Halloumi reduziert werden. Basis und Ausdruck der kulturellen Vielfalt sind die Sprachen Europas – nicht nur Sprachen der Mehrheitsgesellschaften, sondern auch der Minderheiten sowie Esperanto als internationale Sprache der Völkerverständigung. Mehrsprachigkeit ist stark zu fördern." (p. 135)

"Cultural diversity is living and one is not allowed to reduce it to simple folklore and protection of brand

names like Camembert, etc.. Basis and expression of cultural diversity are the languages of Europe - not alone the languages of the main societies, but also and moreover of minorities as well as Esperanto as international communication language. Multilinguicity has to be funded strongly."

2010: Mara Timermane, participated the European Green Council in Tallinn. She also organized Esperanto-Ecological-Tourism in **Latvia** and seminar on Agenda 21 in Riga.

2011: Some members of AVE participated the European Green Congress in Paris.

2012: AVE-members from Senegal participated the Global & Young Greens Congresses in Dakar; we also translated the updated Global Greens Charter; www.verduloj.org/ChTV_2012_eo_16p.pdf

2014: We translated the **Manifesto of European Greens and of FYEG** for the election to the European Parliament: www.verduloj.org/Manifesto_Europa_Verda_Partio_2014_eo.pdf
Federation of Young European Greens: www.verduloj.org/FYEG_Manifesto-2014_eo.pdf

2016: **ÖDP** (ecological democratic party, Germany) program also in Esperanto: www.oeep.de

2017: Global Greens, Liverpool: we informed on Esperanto – and translated the Declaration.

2019: Amanda Lind, minister for culture, Sveden, congratulated in fluent Esperanto by video the World-Congress of Esperanto in Lahti, Finland.

2020-06-12: AVE will exhibit „Esperato for Greens“ on 1st Online Council of European Greens.

Yannick Jadot, as candidate for presidency in France, declared by B. Valtille:

„L'apprentissage et la connaissances de différentes langues est une priorité, pour répondre à nos besoins de communication. A ce titre le développement de l'espéranto permet de répondre à plusieurs de nos objectifs en terme de diversité linguistique, de démocratie et d'émancipation humaine. L'usage de cette langue est reconnu pour son intérêt dans les échanges entre les peuples et son action en faveur de l'amitié transnationale. L'apprentissage de l'espéranto est en outre relativement aisé, notamment pour les jeunes, ce qui constitue un atout majeur. A ce titre, Yannick Jadot, dans la continuité de l'engagement d'EELV, se positionne en faveur de l'espéranto et de son apprentissage.

2017 EELV sous le titre *Bien vivre* a la page 179 (ou page 90 en recherche PDF) la phrase suivante apparait : "Nous soutiendrons une langue neutre internationale telle que l'espéranto."

Future: AVE would like to discuss with MEPs etc. which steps are possible promoting the role of Esperanto – to support EU in its struggle against its language problems of babyloic extent. Of course, some research would ne necessary to fully implement Esperanto into the EU-system.

AVE also translates texts on green economy, social justice, peace, Human and Animal Rights – e.g. for the german Bund für Umwelt und Naturschutz: www.bund-rvso.de/downloads/esperanto.pdf

More about Esperanto ? please visit **wikipedia.org** in your language.

Esperanto in a lot of languages: www.esperanto.de , www.esperanto.org , www.ikso.net

Esperanto in general - Manifesto de Prague (46 languages): www.lingvo.org/prago

UN-Sustainable Development Goals supported by AVE with local esperantists in Tansania and D.R. Congo: www.verduloj.org/afriko.htm

Why Esperanto for the Greens (12 languages): www.verduloj.org/welcome.htm#Verdul_Esper

Our weekly e-mail bulletin AVENO (Esperanto only): www.verduloj.org/aveno.htm

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