

# Report on the activities of the (10th) Board (2025)

## Preamble

The 2025 year and the term has been a year of great progress for the organisation. With the creation of the General Secretariat under the supervision of the Secretary General, it is possible to cover more ground.

Moreover, numerous contacts have been made and avenues for cooperation are being drawn.

Progress still needs to be made, on providing support to initiatives, enhancing cooperation with member, and internal remediation.

## 1. After report of the 2025 Work Plan execution

Three areas of actions were outlined: organisation, community and network. Below is a reminder of what was decided and a description of what was executed.

### 1a. Organisation

The objective of creating a General Secretariat has been achieved.

### 1b. Community

The objective is to strengthen member and individual involvement and connections. The following items were considered:

- Clarify and strengthen the pirate identity through knowledge sharing
- Ensure communications channels are intuitive and easy to use
- Ensure it is easy to get involved in the movement

For the above points, activity through Discourse (forum) and Mattermost (real-time communication channel) has been encouraged and nurtured. We can specifically note great success around the discussion touching on statutes updates, or Mastodon.

- Create opportunities for members to connect through physical and virtual events

The council meetings, both in hybrid and online format, allowed members to meet and this practice of holding in-person meetings should continue. The Board also represented the organisation to the IGF 2025 in Norway. The organisation and participation in physical events (e.g. conferences) should be developed next year.

- Develop a strategy for converting passive members into active members

The current Board has not addressed this point.

- Strengthen the relationship between MEP(s) and the European Pirate Party

Contact with the Pirate delegation has been regular and is currently consolidated by the Secretariat through regular check-ins.

## **1c. Network**

The objective was to consolidate our network through the following actions:

- Map our existing networks and resources

Work is ongoing in the Secretariat to map our environment.

- Work to expand our network by identifying and connecting with others

Thanks to representation of the organisation by the Chairperson and the Secretary General, we have been able to establish or nurture relations with sympathetic movements and NGOs.

On the other hand, public contact details have allowed activists to reach out to us for cooperation: this has been the case for ECI teams in particular.

- GAP or needs assessment

The current Board has not tackled this point.

- Find ways to link our network to our community

The current way is by using the forum to communicate and interact with the community. Another is through the exchange of emails and messages with either individuals or Member representative as to relay important information and initiatives

## **2. Main Events and Activities**

### **2a. IGF Norway (23-27 June 2025)**

The IGF held in Norway gathered internet organisations from around the World. The European Pirate Party participated, alongside the International Pirate Parties, with the presence of Board Members and the Secretary General.

### **2b. Volt November General Assembly in Frankfurt (November 2025)**

Volt invited the Chairperson and Secretary General to their General Assembly to nurture contact and discuss possible cooperation.

### **2c. Attendance of other events**

Several events, formal or informal, were attended on behalf of the organisation by the Board or the Secretary General. Examples include a panel about the financing of European parties, and NGO events (AccessNow, EDRI)

### **2d. Meetings with potential partners**

Meetings attended by the Chairperson included, for example:

- VoteIT, an online conferencing, assembly and voting system (used by the Swedish pirates);
- Agora.Network, a civic tech platform fostering discussions and bringing out over-arching tendencies or solutions;
- ECI Psychedelicare, to discuss the coordination avenues, including a social media push.

The creation of a potential “Guardians of the Internet” NGO has been brought forward and discussed with EDRI.

## **2e. Handling of political issues**

The following European Citizen initiatives have been supported by the European Pirate Party during this term: ECI Stop Killing Games, ECI Psychedelicare. Other ECI(s) such as “Against eID Checks” have reached out but not yet been supported as they are not active yet.

## **2f. Handling of internal issues**

A case has been escalated to the Code of Conduct Council, without any feedback to date, to our knowledge.

## **3. Administrative matters**

### **3a. Board meetings**

11 Board Meetings have been held, and their minutes are accessible [here](#).

### **3b. Council Meetings**

2 Council Meetings have been organised. The 19th (7SEP2025) and 20th Council Meeting (where this report is handed out). Details and minutes are accessible [here](#).

### **3c. Communications Received (Board email)**

The communication received can be categorised as follows:

- Invitations to the German International Coordination Team Meetings
- Member or prospective member emails
- Policy or case issue emails (including ECI-related)
- Partnership & cooperation emails (PPI)
- Applications (Secretary General role, and a spontaneous application)

### **3d. Memberships**

14 over 15 membership fees have been collected this year, that is so far beyond any expectations.

We also collect all overdue fees from previous years.

### **3e. Financial matters (brief summary with a link to the financial report)**

Overall, this administration respected the 2025 provisional budget, keeping the cash flow in line with previous years.

### **3f. Other administrative matters of interest**

We must note the difficulty of registering the current Board, due to the difficulty of obtaining information from certain Board Members.

The creation of the General Secretariat is also a major development under this Board.

### **4. Reports from individual board members**

#### **4a. Chair (Florian Roussel)**

The year 2025 can be summed up by the institution and launch of the Secretariat. The Organisation needs to be able to produce more work, and the Secretariat's ideal is to fill this gap, by bringing volunteers and their expertise, which they can develop through the trust we give them in their missions.

I have been in regular contact with the Secretary General, about the Secretariat and all other developments.

Specifically, aside from general guidance or technical consultations (signatures, sensitive access or information sharing), a great deal of work has been done on partner outreach, from the MEP delegation to ECI initiatives and NGOs (e.g. Apatride Network) or civic tech (e.g. Agora.network), and other political forces close to our values.

The Secretariat will allow the Board to focus on the political guidance on the organisation jointly with the Council (targeting the next European election cycle), to promote our values and consolidate our network along with our sphere of influence.

#### **4b. Vice chair (Sara Hjalmarsson)**

#### **4d. Treasurer (Alessandro Ciofini)**

During 2025 this Office was able to collect 14 over 15 membership fees, including those overdue. Invoice's template has been changed in order to accomplish local laws (Luxembourg).

All providers have been paid and receipt for donations sent to respective donors  
All budget lines have been respected.

A very important achievement has been reached through the General Secretariat: the Finance Team. This team will work closely with the Treasurer's Office in order to provide better budget lines, accounting and serving all other teams in their working routines.

#### **4e. Ordinary member (Giuseppe Calandra)**

Year 2025 is a transition year and as I see it the best thing the board could have done is stay out of the way of the Secretariat and support their executive role. That's what I did.

#### **4f. Ordinary member (Mili Sloukova)**

#### **4g. Ordinary member (Babak Tubis)**

#### **4h. Ordinary member (Ute Elisabeth Gabelmann)**