

Adopted Declaration

The European Greens

on the situation in the Ukraine

We, the European Greens, condemn the violence and in solidarity with the Ukrainian people support all efforts to reach a peaceful, stable and democratic solution. The common agreement, signed on Friday 21st February between the Ukrainian opposition and president Yanukovich, was a first step in overcoming the crisis which has led to terrible bloodshed in Ukraine.

Yanukovich's decision to brutally crack down on the protests on Euromaidan has led to dozens of people getting killed and countless people injured. We express our sincere condolences to the families and friends of the victims. Those responsible for the bloodshed have to be prosecuted.

Territorial integrity is crucial for the future of Ukraine. No activity aimed at the dissolution of Ukraine is acceptable.

We want to acknowledge that the foreign ministers of France, Germany and Poland have finally taken responsibility and helped to broker an agreement. We call upon the EU foreign ministers and the High Representative for Foreign and Security Policy to do their utmost to create a sustainable, peaceful solution. We expect the Russian authorities to play a constructive role, given that until now President Putin has added to the escalation of the situation.

The European Union must make it clear that no government in the world has the right to use such violence against its own people, as happened in recent days. As long as the situation remains unresolved, the EU must be ready to use all legitimate instruments, including targeted sanctions. In order to support the Ukrainian people, we call for visa free travel into the EU.

The EU must help to stabilise the social, financial and economic situation in Ukraine with joint efforts and a concrete financial support plan with all international partners and institutions, and help Ukraine alleviate their energy dependence on Russia. The European Union should to make all possible efforts in the framework of the Eastern Partnership to support this positive change.

We stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian people who should decide for themselves what country they want to live in, and if they want to move towards the European Union.