

Resolution on the political developments in Central Europe

In line with its 2019 April Resolution, the IDC-CDI:

- Expresses serious concerns regarding the formal alliance of left and liberal parties with far-right, xenophobic, antisemitic, extremist parties on a general basis.
- Raises concerns about the fact that left and liberal parties in Hungary who in recent years distanced themselves from far-right Jobbik are now aiming to help the far-right come to power in a potential future governing coalition. A coalition including Jobbik and based on the recent formal alliance concluded in December 2020 between all left and liberal parties.
- Expresses grave concern that the cooperation of mainstream parties with anti-Semitic politicians could seriously endanger the situation of the religious minorities, especially the flourishing Jewish community in Europe.
- Condemns any kind of cooperation between the European socialist and liberal parties and the xenophobic, antisemitic and anti-European extremist movements. Jobbik is a party that demanded for years for Hungary to exit the European Union and set the EU flag on fire during their demonstrations.
- Calls on all political forces to maintain and guarantee zero tolerance against all forms of discrimination, racism, antisemitism, and extremism. All parties are likewise called upon to maintain and guarantee zero tolerance against all forms of anti-European rhetoric, thereby supporting its European regional organization EPP in its relentless efforts for an effective and ongoing European integration for the benefit of all EU member states, including free and fair elections.
- Condemns concretely the Left in Hungary for including Jobbik, a party known for its anti-Semitic and racist ideology, in an electoral alliance.
- Urges the member parties of the CDI, especially the European partners to speak up against the relativisation of racism, antisemitism, xenophobia and directly against the whitewashing of the Jobbik party in Hungary and all undue forms of anti-European rhetoric against the institutions and individual politicians of the EU exceeding constructive criticism.
- Urges all parties should refrain from any form of cooperation or joint activities - such as political panel debates or rallies - with far-right, xenophobic, antisemitic, extremist or anti-European parties be it on a national, European or international level/context.