We, the members of the pan-European Network of Houses and Museum of European Musicians based in 24 European countries, gathered at our annual meeting held this year on 8 May 2024 in Wuppertal (Germany), following the special concert held on 7 May 2024 commemorating the 200th anniversary of the premiere of 9th Symphony composed by Ludwig van Beethoven and inspired by Schiller’s poem “Ode to Joy”, declare that we heard and understood this iconic symphony as a forceful call - to Europeans and to Humanity as a whole - for peace, fraternity and solidarity.

In today’s trying times, when war and violence threaten peace and security, also when division and hostility challenge cohesion and solidarity, we encourage all to embrace music as a unique artistic language for promoting Europe’s unity in diversity and for fostering a society which is more respectful and inclusive.

Inspired and proud of this extremely rich European music traditions that have contributed over centuries to forging our shared culture and our multi-layered identity in Europe, together we launch a strong appeal to our fellow citizens in EU Member States to take the upcoming European elections to be held from 6 to 9 June 2024 as an opportunity to defend and further strengthen Europe’s shared values and ideals.

Use your vote for Peace!
Use your vote for Solidarity!
Use your vote for Europe!

Signed by all members of the Pan-European Network of Houses and Museums of European Musicians (for the full list see below).

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1. Ainola - The home of Aino and Jean Sibelius - Järvenpää, Finland
2. Amália Rodrigues Foundation - Lisbon, Portugal
3. Archivos Manuel de Falla - Granada, Spain
4. Beethoven Gesellschaft - Vienna, Austria
5. Beethoven Haus - Baden, Austria
6. Beethoven Haus - Bonn, Germany
7. Bettini House and Museum - Catania, Italy
8. Brahms Haus - Baden-Baden, Germany
9. Casa António Fragoso - Pocariça, Portugal
10. Casa Francisco de Lacerda - Ribeira Seca Calheta, São Jorge, Açores, Portugal
11. Casa Moreira de Sá e Costa – Porto, Portugal
12. Casa Museo Jesús de Monasterio - Casar de Periedo, Spain
13. Casa Museo Manuel de Falla - Granada, Spain
14. Casa Paganini InfoMus - Genova, Italy
15. CEM Portugal – Palácio Nacional de Mafra (WORLD HERITAGE UNESCO) – Mafra, Portugal
16. Chopin Institute (Narodowy Instytut Fryderyka Chopina - Warsaw, Poland
17. City of Bougival – Bougival, France
18. City of Catania - Catania, Italy
19. City of Granada - Granada, Spain
20. City of Lisbon - Lisbon, Portugal
21. City of Mafra, Portugal
22. City of Turku - Turku, Finland
23. Conservatoire and Archives Serge Rachmaninoff - Paris, France
24. Datcha-Museum Ivan-Turgenev - Bougival, France
25. Dimora storica di Mattia Battistini - Contigliano, Italy
26. Dom Urodzenia Fryderyka Chopina - Żelazowa Wola - Poland
27. Evind Groven’s Organ house - Oslo, Norway
28. Europa Nostra - The Hague, Netherlands
29. European Mozart Ways - Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Netherlands, Slovakia, Switzerland, Ukraine
30. Eutherpe Foundation - León, Spain
31. Fonds de dotation Maria Callas - Neuilly-sur-Seine, France
32. Franz Liszt Academy – Budapest Hungary
33. Fundação Franz Schubert - Santo Tirso, Braga, Portugal
34. Fundació Pau Casals - Tarragona, Spain
35. Fundación Manuel de Falla - Granada, Spain
36. Fundación Victoria de Los Ángeles - Barcelona, Spain
37. Georges Bizet House – Bougival France
38. Government of Cantabria - Cantabria, Spain
39. Henri Dutilleux Geneviève Joy House - Candes-Saint-Martin, France
40. Hippocrène Foundation - Paris, France
41. Hispania Nostra - Madrid, Spain
42. House and Museum Amália Rodrigues – Lisbon Portugal
43. Internationale Stiftung Mozarteum - Salzburg, Austria
44. Kodaly Museum - Budapest, Hungary
45. Le Dimore del Quartetto - Milan, Italy
46. Mendelsohn-Haus - Leipzig, Germany
47. Menotti House - Spoleto, Italy
48. Monini Foundation - Spoleto, Italy
49. Museum Franz Liszt (Zeneakadémia) - Budapest, Hungary
50. Muzeul National George Enescu - Bucharest, Romania
51. National Sound Archives (Arquivo Nacional do Som) - Mafra, Portugal
52. Nydahl Collection (Stiftelsen Musikkulturens Främjande) - Stockholm, Sweden
53. Sibelius Museum - Turku, Finland
54. Sistema Europe Network
55. Stevan Mokranjac House (Кућа Стевана Мокранјац) - Negotin, Serbia
56. Teatro San Cassiano – Venezia – Italy
57. Teresa Berganza Fund – Proyecto GAC, Spain
58. Terra Foundation - Lisbon, Portugal
59. VIA SCARLATTI Project (Italy, Spain & Portugal)
60. Villa Viardot – Bougival, France
61. World Human Forum - Athens, Greece

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