



## 9 May: EUROPE DAY Unity, Peace, Solidarity #StandWithUkraine



**Europe Day - 9 May 2022 → 12.30 – 14.00**  
**European Quarter**

On Monday 9 May 2022, the Representation of the European Commission in Belgium organises a ceremony in the European quarter to commemorate the Schuman Declaration of 9 May 1950, the founding text of the European Union.

In support of war-torn Ukraine, the commemoration ceremony will be **dedicated to Ukraine and European solidarity**. Representatives of **European, Belgian and Ukrainian authorities** will attend.

The ceremony is organised in cooperation and with the support of Avenir Europe, the Young European Federalists Belgium and Brussels (JEF Belgium and JEF Brussels), UEF Secretariat Groupe Europe, Alliance 4 Europe, Schuman Square, Jean Monnet association, GAQ, Jean Rey association and Visit.brussels.

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### Programme

#### **12.30: Commemoration ceremony in honour of Robert Schuman**

In front of the bust of Robert Schuman at the entrance of the Cinquantenaire park.

Laying of flowers and speech by a Representative of the European Commission.

A group of Ukrainian musicians will play the European anthem.

#### **12.50- 13.25: Ceremony in support of Ukraine** on the Schuman roundabout where young people will wave European and Ukrainian flags.

- Speech by the Representative of the European Commission and **Yehor Pyvovarov**, Ukrainian Charge d’Affaires to Belgium, followed by the display of a large “StandWithUkraine” banner, held by some of the attendees.
- 12 doves will be released into the sky as a symbol for peace.
- Press moment – interviews and photo opportunity.

#### **13.30- 14.15: Charity Concert** with a Ukrainian Quartet playing classical and traditional music.

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#### **Europe Day** will also be visible outside the European quarter, **in Brussels and beyond**:

- The Manneken Pis will be dressed in its European outfit
- The Atomium will fly the European flag
- The Grand Place will be illuminated in blue
- In many municipalities outside Brussels, local buildings will be illuminated in blue, especially near the nine Europe Direct centres across Belgium.