



EMMAUS EUROPE

General Assembly

Iași, Romania

Registrations now and
no later than 30th June 2023

From 24 to 27 October 2023

We will be hosted in Romania by Emmaus Iași, the first Emmaus community to be founded in Romania, and the most “agricultural” of all the communities in Europe!

This is the first time that we have held a regional assembly in Eastern Europe, and it constitutes a fantastic opportunity to explore the country, its culture and history, and that of the region.

Visits to the community’s different sites and the city will be arranged on 23 and 27 October.

So please register!



Dear friends,

The European Assembly only takes place every four years, and **it is happening now!**

It is a vital moment in our movement’s **democratic life**. You will be able to elect representatives to sit on the Emmaus Europe and Emmaus International governing bodies.

The assembly is a key opportunity to develop a joint European vision for the future. We will share the challenges that our groups will have to face over the coming years, and will link them with European political issues and the main areas of our strategic plan: peacebuilding, the green revolution, solidarity and an unconditional welcome, recruiting new activists, and developing our activities. **We will have three days to shape the future of Emmaus in Europe, with time to focus on everything from our practices to advocacy work!**



Carina Aaltonen
Chair of Emmaus Europe

It will also be a great pleasure to meet up with you all,

See you very soon!

Key moments



Ukraine in our thoughts

One of the greatest Ukrainian writers, Andriy Kurkov, will do us the honour of taking part in the opening session of our assembly. We hope that by October 2023 Ukraine will be in a post-conflict situation, and we will be able to discuss how to rebuild society. Whatever happens, the discussion between Kurkov and the poet Grigory Semenchuk (Emmaus Ukraine's national delegate) will enable us to gain a better understanding of the situation and the solidarity work being done.

[PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME]

MONDAY 23rd OCTOBER

Reception service from **10:00**

Visits from **14:00**

Dinner at **19:00**

TUESDAY 24th OCTOBER

9:00 Opening session of the assembly

9:30 Romania in a Europe in motion

10:30 Break

11:00 Opening keynote address on Ukraine

Speakers: [Andriy Kurkov](#) and [Grigory Semenchuk](#)

12:30 Lunch

14:00 Roundtable An unconditional welcome today in Europe

15:00 Exchange of practices workshops

16:30 Break

17:00-18:30 Extraordinary general assembly

Proposed amendment to the statutes: presentation and vote

18:30 Presentation of the candidates standing for the presidency

19:00 Dinner

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WEDNESDAY 25th OCTOBER

09:00 Presentation of the candidates standing for the post of CEI

9:45 Roundtable The green revolution in Emmaus

10:45 Break (voting for elected representatives begins)

11:15 Exchange of practices workshops and proposals

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Feedback from the workshops

15:30 Break

16:00 Presentation of the financial and activity reports

17:30 Result of the elections

19:00 Dinner

THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER

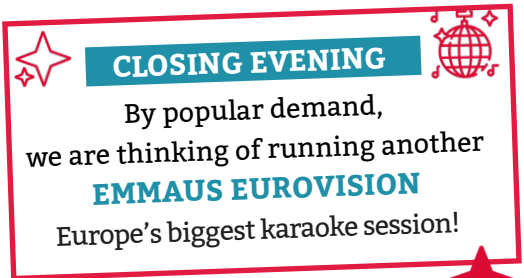
Morning focusing on future issues for the Emmaus groups

Discussion and workshops

13:00 Lunch

Afternoon focusing on the strategic plan

19:00 Dinner



CLOSING EVENING

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Europe's biggest karaoke session!

The graphic is a red-bordered box with a white background. It features a teal banner at the top with the text 'CLOSING EVENING'. Below the banner, the text reads 'By popular demand, we are thinking of running another EMMAUS EUROVISION Europe's biggest karaoke session!'. The box is decorated with red stars and a globe icon in the top right corner.

FRIDAY 27th OCTOBER

For the new elected representatives:

9:30 Regional council with the outgoing elected representatives
Executive election and training

For those who did not go on the visits on Monday:

9:30 Emmaus group site visits

13:00 Lunch break

A UNIQUE VENUE FOR EMMAUS!

We will all be staying at the hotel where the assembly's plenary sessions and workshops will take place. The hotel is located in the heart of the historic centre and is directly accessible by bus from both the railway station and the airport. The Hotel Unirea will become the Emmaus Hotel for five days!



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

We advise you to arrive on the morning of **23 October** if you wish to go on the afternoon visits and to leave on the afternoon of **27 October** if you want to go on the morning visits or take part in the Regional Council meeting of the newly elected representatives, if you are standing for election.

HOW TO REGISTER

Participation is limited to two representatives per group (you may place a third person on the waiting list). If you are unable to attend, please make your voice heard by giving a proxy vote to another member group.

Please return the registration form and voting information by 30 June 2023 to:

<https://emmaus-europe.org/ag2023-en/>
or submit the information online by going to:
agee2023@emmaus-europe.org

WE NEED NEW ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES: WHY NOT YOU?

Many of the board members are reaching the end of their period of office: we need you to represent the diversity of Europe and take part in decision-making over the next four years. You can stand for election for the roles of president or CEI (Councillor of Emmaus International).



All of the *documents* about the assembly, specifically registration documents, forms for potential candidates, and forms to grant a proxy vote to another group, are available in the website members' area:
<https://emmaus-europe.org/ag2023-en/>