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Elmar Brok elected President of the European Federalists

The Congress of the Union of European Federalists (UEF) elected in the Federal Foreign Ministry in Berlin the German MEP Elmar Brok (EPP) President of the European Federalists. Foreign Minister Westerwelle gave the keynote speech at the opening of the Congress. The manifesto "Towards Federal Union" was adopted.

With an inspiring speech against Anti-EU-Populism Elmar Brok convinced an audience of over 200 delegates from all over Europe, who elected him as the successor of MEP Andrew Duff. "Those speaking against the EU and call for the revival of the Nation are not eurosceptics, but antihistorians. Nationalism has never resolved any international challenge" Foreign Minister Guido Westerwelle opened the 24th Congress of the Union of European Federalists with a speech on the future of the European Union and the role of Germany in Europe. Westerwelle thanked the Federalists for their long work. "You have always backed the European idea, even in times of crisis".