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Founded by Margaret Thatcher in 2009 as the intellectual hub of European Conservatism, New Direction has established academic networks across Europe and research partnerships throughout the world.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



I am honoured to serve as President of New Direction, the political foundation leading the debate on European reform.

2019 marks a decade of ground-breaking research, in which the Foundation has shaped not only the political discussion in Europe but also the direction of the conservative movement around the world.

We have produced more than two hundred reports and policy briefs, and hosted over a hundred conferences and seminars - and we have been honoured to have politicians, government ministers, advisers, academics, business leaders and journalists: participate and contribute.

In the coming years we will continue to offer further ideas for European reform and promote our message of change rooted in individual freedom and liberty for all Europeans.

We will continue to champion the goals of the wider Conservative family and protect the values set out in the Prague and Reykjavik Declaration.

I would like to also pay tribute to New Direction's Board: **Angel Dzhambazki** (Bulgaria), **Rafaele Fitto** (Italy), **Karol Karski** (Poland), **Ruža Tomašić** (Croatia), **Valdemar Tomaševski** (Lithuania), **Jan Zahradil** (Czech Republic), **Roberts Zīle** (Latvia) and of course, none of our work would be possible without the effective leadership and excellent management by the Foundation's Executive Director, **Naweed Khan**.

On behalf of all the New Direction team, thank you for your support and contributions. Our foundation is building the intellectual case for a popular Conservative movement, and we hope you will join us in our ambitious goal.

Yours truly,

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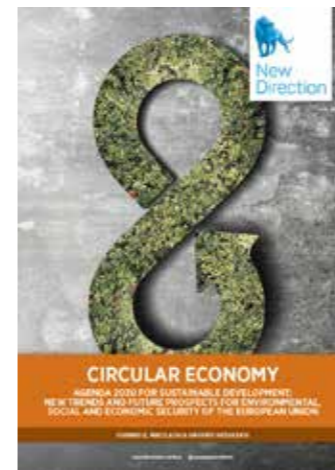
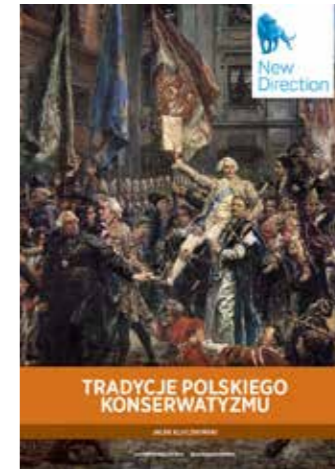


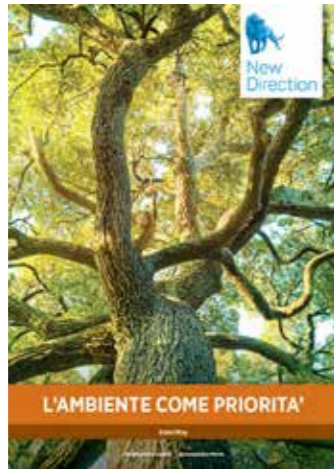
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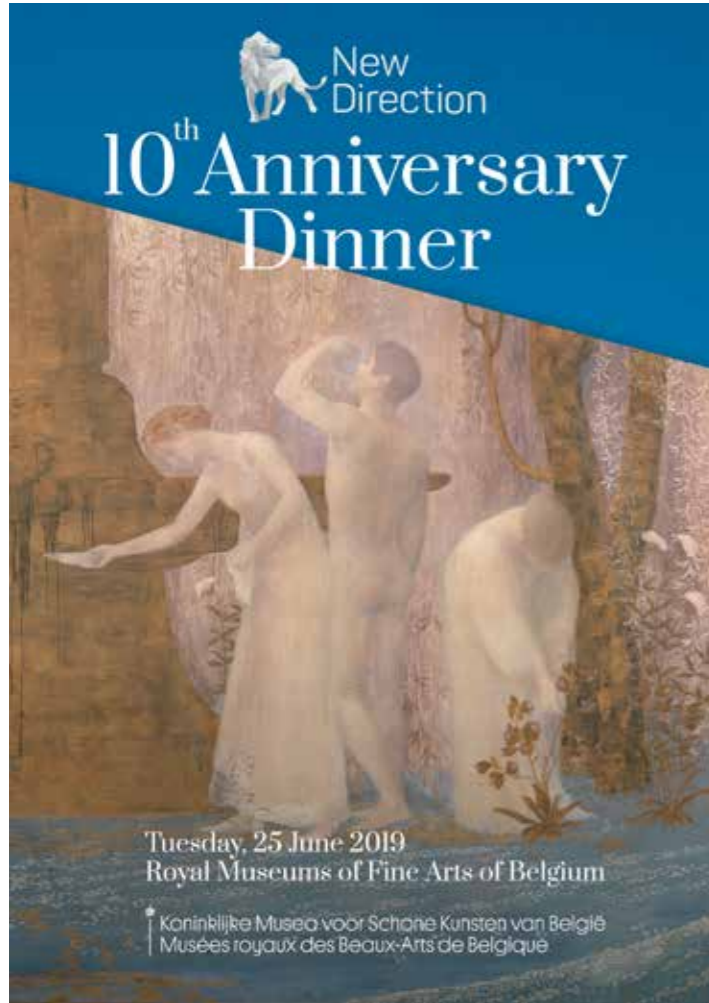






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New Direction, marked a decade of work with an anniversary dinner at the Belgium Museums of Fine Arts in Brussels in the historic Sablon district.

Over 250 guests attended, including diplomats, Members of the European Parliament, Ministers and directors of a number of high level think tanks, including the Martens Centre, the Centre for European Policy Studies and the AJC Transatlantic Institute.

The evening opened with a speech by Tomasz Poreba, who paid tribute to the Foundation's founder Lady Margaret Thatcher, and to its first President Geoffrey Van Orden.

The main event of the evening was a speech by the famous conservative philosopher Sir Roger Scruton, who spoke of the need for foundations like New Direction to continue their work in order to promote conservatism and defend tradition. Sir Roger was introduced by the co-chairman of the ECR Ryszard Legutko & Raffaele Fitto.

Guests were also treated to a performance by a quartet of talented young musicians from the Conservatoire Royal Bruxelles, who played a melody of Dvorak and Borodin, whilst surrounded by some of the finest art in Belgium, spanning several centuries.





New Direction held its annual Western Balkans Summit in Sofia. Once again it brought together politicians from a range of political parties, civil society and the media.

The conference was supported by prominent figures including leading members of the Bulgarian government, including the Minister of Justice, Nikolay Prodanov and Foreign Minister, Ekaterina Zaharieva - as well as the European Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society Mariya Gabriel.



INITIATIVES

New Direction promotes its ideas with a number of unique initiatives.
We have done this by launching the following:



THINK TANK CENTRAL

New Direction gathers bi-annually leading conservative and libertarian think-tanks.



THE ANNUAL MARGARET THATCHER DINNER

New Direction's annual dinner is held in the honour and memory of our founding patron, Baroness Thatcher.



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LA CONVENCIÓN AZUL

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New Direction's pre-eminent free market forum brings together the foremost free market advocates and thought-leaders from business, government, academia and the not-for-profit sector in order to shape the debate on global growth.



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New Direction is investing in Europe's next generation by training young academics in strategic leadership, research techniques and effective communications.

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