

[en](#) | [de](#)

[Press release](#) | 21.02.2022

## Russia´s recognition of so-called republics of Donetsk and Luhansk

### Quotes from Philippe Lamberts and Ska Keller

This evening, Russian President Vladimir Putin announced Russia will recognise the separatist regions of Donetsk and Luhansk in eastern Ukraine as so-called independent people's republics.

**Philippe Lamberts MEP**, President of the Greens/EFA group comments:

*"The announced recognition of the two so-called republics of Donetsk and Luhansk is an attack on Ukrainian sovereignty and territorial integrity. We stand with Ukraine. The EU and US must respond in a coordinated and clear manner, including effective sanctions. Massive violations of international law and border shifts in Europe need to be met with a forceful reaction."*

**Ska Keller MEP**, President of the Greens/EFA group comments:

*"We show our solidarity with Ukraine. The Russian President is further turning the escalation spiral, trying to rewrite history into an imperial narrative. This needs to be met with a unified response. The EU should come forward with sanctions now. We are all set to lose if international rules can be broken without consequences."*

### Recommended

Job



[Policy Adviser for the SEDE Committee](#)

20.11.2024

Press release



[1,000 days of war “mark a painful milestone”, say Gree...](#)

19.11.2024

Press release

Woman holding a sign during a Ukraine protest / CC0 markus-spiske



[Gregorova worked on a huge EU loan to Ukraine that wil...](#)

28.10.2024

Press release



[Georgia's parliamentary elections and visit of Viktor ...](#)

28.10.2024

**Responsible MEPs**



Ska Keller

Member



Philippe Lamberts

Member

**Contact person**



Pia Kohorst

Press & Media Advisor DE (German language press)

**Please share**

[.E-Mail](#)