### **LDE AGM 2025**

Vice-Chair's report

# Deputy

A major responsibility of the vice-chair's role is deputising for the chair, whenever necessary. This led me to chair one executive this year.

## LDE/LDF future

I have been deeply involved in discussions with LDF, which have so far reached agreement on closer cooperation (see agenda item 6, motion) but have not, as yet, agreed a formula for eventual merger.

### Federal Council

Earlier this year, I was elected to the Federal Council to fill the fifth casual vacancy since the council was elected in 2022. A new council has now been elected to serve until 2025.

## Finally

I would like to thank all members for showing their respect to my request for privacy as I came to terms with te sad, sudden and unexpected death of my beloved wife Lisa. True love of my life, Lisa died following a massive heart attack on August 15.