

1. Applicant information

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For the following three questions you should make reference to the first page of this document, which outlines some details of the Steering Committee role and also some of the required skills.

2. Experience

I have a very good work experience when it comes to organizing and managing youth organizations both locally (Zambia) and internationally. While at University, I served as the President of the Students Union for the Copperbelt University, (CBU, 2011-2012). I also served as the President for Zambia National Students Union (ZANASU, 2012), while leading the two student bodies we managed to ensure that tuition fees for the academic year 2012 were reduced by 25%, we also lobbied parliament to set up the students loan authority board which broadened bursary access to all students within the country.

I also served as the Africa Region Representative for the Commonwealth Students Association from 2012-2015, in this capacity I represented rights and interests of various students Unions/ Associations within the Commonwealth, I was tasked with setting up a network database for all Student Unions (Associations) within the Commonwealth Africa Region, as this was when the Association was been formed. I mapped all the Student Associations (Unions) together and ensured that they were in link with each other and had a voice within the Commonwealth region which represented their respective rights and Interests as respective African student bodies. We successfully managed to setup the Association within the first year of been in office inclusive of a functioning website. The Commonwealth Students Association has since grown to be one of the most effective and efficient student voice within the Commonwealth region.

I currently serve as the Secretary General (CEO) for the Young Greens of Zambia, and I am a senior party official for the Green Party of Zambia.

3. Motivation to join the SC

I want to contribute to the development and growth of the Global Young Greens, I have always had a passion for working with youth organizations and over the years I have been successful with the various organizations that I have had a privilege of been part of. The Global Young Greens provides a platform of networking and administrating at a global level, I have always had an ambition to be part of a global youth-led organization that supports and unites the efforts of young people from a green-alternative spectrum around the world.

4. How do you want to help develop GYG?

I would like to see a GYG that will have a balanced participation from all the various regions; I will ensure that I dedicate enough time to GYG programs and projects. Being a Computer Scientist by profession, I will be able to manage membership and all communication tools including mailing lists, newsletters, web page as well as being involved in regional and local Young Green activities.