

## STEERING COMMITTEE CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Your candidate statement should explain your experience as well as motivation and include a description of how you want to participate in developing GYG. You should make reference to the points below, which outline some of the skills you need to be an effective SC member.

Please send your statement to [secretary@globalyounggreens.org](mailto:secretary@globalyounggreens.org) before **September 15th 2017, midnight Central European Time.**

**The GYG Steering Committee oversees the following:**

- The main task is to implement the outcomes of the GYG Congress in Liverpool and implement the GYG Organisational Principles;
- Responsibilities will include fundraising, developing action plans and implementing them, mobilising members and identifying new opportunities for GYG until the next GYG Congress;
- More broadly the SC must take on the development of the GYG movement, managing membership and all communication tools including mailing lists, newsletters, web page as well as being involved in regional and local Young Green activities.

**For this role you should:**

- Speak fluent English: you should be able to express yourself, read political texts, write e-mails and understand English discussions;
- Be willing to take on a challenge;
- Have enough time to dedicate, estimate ~ up to 8 hours a week;
- Have good organisational skills;
- Have experience in organising Young Green activities;
- Be a good team player;
- Be committed to the goals and principles of GYG;
- Have developed social and intercultural skills;
- Have respect for the opinions and ideas of others;
- Be willing to take on the responsibility to coordinate GYG projects;
- Be interested in Global Green Policy;
- Have internet access on a regular basis;
- Answer your emails regularly and attend online meetings every two weeks.

It is an advantage if you have experience in managing and running projects as well as in writing project applications and final reports.

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### **1. Applicant information**

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*For the following three sections 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**

After three FYEG Gas and an internship I have had the opportunity to understand GYGs dynamics. Furthermore, I was a copresident for écolo j (Belgian french-speaking Young greens for 2 years (2015-2017)). I was also a delegate for the last GYG congress.

## **3. Motivation to join the SC**

I am a graduate student in Political Science with a bachelor degree in Communications. Therefore, I believe I am a strong candidate for this position. I am a proactive, computer-literate candidate who has strong communication (written and oral), interpersonal and organizational skills. My different work experiences (NGOs, EU Institutions, social area...) made me able to work with people and organizations from different cultural and political backgrounds and understand its dynamics. During my previous internships, I have been in charge of internal and external communication towards shareholders and media, organizing events and developing fundraising strategies.

As the ex-copresident of Belgian Young Greens, I was also in charge of our external communication. It demands a strategic planning and the ability to react quickly to the news which I believe could be an asset for Global Young Greens' presence on social media and Internet. My role also included writing press releases and identifying and monitoring opportunities for an efficient communication. It also includes networking and partnership handling. Among other tasks, I also had to ensure internal communication between our local groups, staff and national level is optimal.

My solid experience in green activism (with Ecolo j, Ecolo and FYEG), my motivation, my multicultural background, my will to learn and my ability to compromise are I think my strongest assets. I am fluent in three vehicular languages (French, English and Spanish) and am currently improving my Dutch. I am also a Rwandan native which facilitates my understanding of Swahili languages. I believe all these combined could be a strong asset for the Global Young Greens.

## **4. How do you want to help develop GYG?**

For me, GYG is mostly about networking. Distance makes it more difficult so I believe the first step is to build strong relations among us. As I met many of the

delegates at the last congress in Liverpool, I think it would be easier for us to link. Developing GYG for me is more about first getting to know each other. Second, understanding each region's priorities and third, finding common matters to work on. Being coherent, working together on common grounds will be easier. I think about subjects such as women's rights, divestment or social justice. Furthermore, the most important is to be able to communicate together efficiently on social media so we can demonstrate our cohesion. I hope to be able to prove more on my motivations through a skype conference or any other means. If you have any questions, please let me know.