

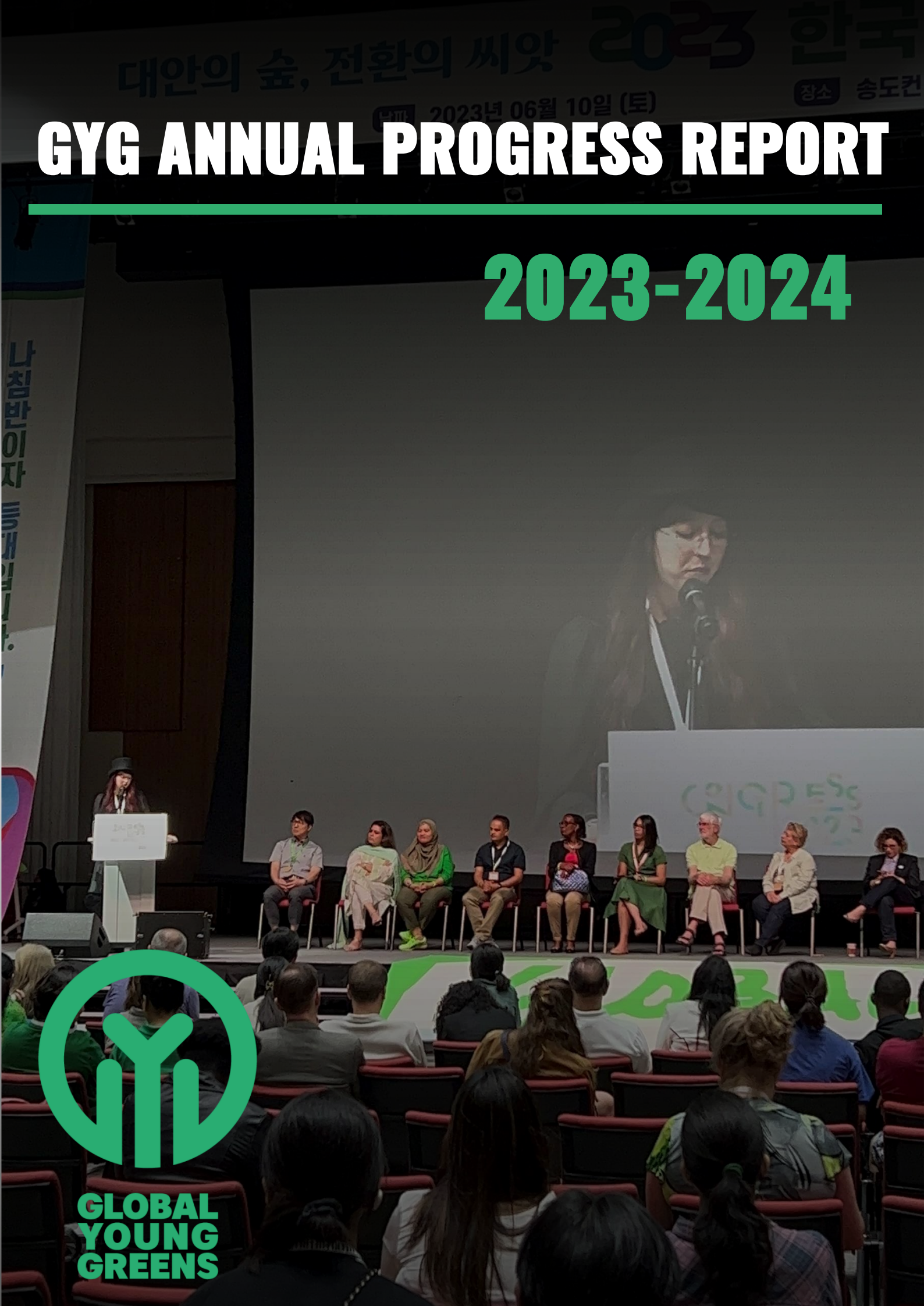
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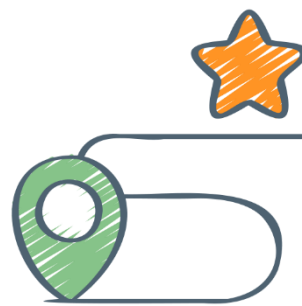
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1. Introduction



The Global Young Greens (GYG) is a youth-led organisation supporting and uniting the efforts of young people from a green-alternative spectrum around the world. It works towards ecological sustainability, social justice, grassroots democracy and peace.

GYG has significant potential in growing the global green movement. GYG is a network that includes four regional networks (Africa, Americas, Asia-Pacific, Europe) and has a total of ca. 90 member organisations. GYG's highest decision-making body is the Congress (held every ~ 3 years). In between Congresses, the Steering Committee, whose work is overseen by the Oversight Committee, organises the work of GYG.

This report covers the period of June 2023 to June 2024. It gathers some of the key achievements and developments in GYG, the statutory updates and the financial report.

The current members of the GYG Steering Committee are:

Pamphylia Madyavanhu

(Co-Spokesperson, Zimbabwe)

Liliane Viola Pollmann

(Co-Spokesperson, Germany)

Janmejai

Tiwari

(Secretary
General, India)

Ali Niaz

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Poland)

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Norway)

2. Report on Progress Key Achievements



PARTICIPATION IN COP28

Following our attendance at COP26 and COP27, we built on our achievements and participated in COP28. COP28 proved to be a fruitful event for GYG, platforming the work and activities of young Global South activists. One of our main objectives for COP28, improving the Loss and Damage fund and increasing the pledges was achieved during the first days of the conference.

In preparation for COP28, we again followed a selection process consisting of written applications, interviews and a thorough selection to nominate our delegates, and we were fortunate to have an impressive group from various regions. It was a valuable opportunity to bring diverse perspectives, particularly from the Global South, to the negotiations.

Through dedicated members of our Steering Committee we successfully secured funding for all GYG delegates. The financial support for our delegates came from various sources, including the Greens/EFA, Heinrich Böll Stiftung EU Office, and other contributors.

We actively collaborated with various organisations to plan protests, demonstrations, and meetings. Our partnerships included engagements with Global Greens, and Greenpeace. We also took part in significant protests and were vocal advocates for addressing the critical issue of loss and damage.

In addition to the demonstrations, GYG delegates engaged in bilateral meetings with negotiators, and representatives of various countries. These meetings provided opportunities to discuss important topics such as the Loss and Damage finance facility and youth participation. Furthermore, for the first time, GYG organised a session in collaboration with Roots on youth participation and inclusion in the ILO pavilion inside of the COP28 venue. The session garnered significant attendance and featured exceptional speakers.



SOCIAL EVENT IN JANUARY 2024

To foster the social aspect of our network we organised a session with a huge focus on the social exchange, the networking and fun part to engage with those members we usually only interact with in text and mails.

The event was well attended and combined updates on our current work and future plans, games sessions and networking sessions.

The feedback was good and we would be looking into organising events like these more regularly, if the capacity allows as they are a great way to keep members engaged and grow the base of potential volunteers.

ELECTIONVISION WEBINARS

We organised educational webinars revolving around strategies for elections, the outcomes of important elections as well as learnings and consequences. We were able to organise two editions of them until June 2024: On the Taiwan elections and the European elections and their effect on the political world. Both editions were organised in cooperation with CDN.

Election Vision Taiwan

This session was organised upon vivid interest especially from European member organisations to learn more about the elections in Taiwan and their implications for the current political developments, as well as CDN's Member Organisations' interest in connecting the struggle against imperial powers in Eastern Europe (Russia) to similar struggles in Taiwan (China).

We organised this webinar in collaboration with CDN, Taiwan Young Greens and with politicians from the Greens and secretary general from another progressive party which held seats in the national parliament. Jung Lin and Asia Górska took the lead on organising this session.



The session was well attended and sparked a vivid discussion on the current developments and expectations towards the future. The implication of this election and the role of Taiwan in international geopolitics was highlighted by the speakers.

Future webinars should probably offer more space for questions from the audience and discussions, as the need for this became obvious.

Election Vision European Election

For this session CDN took the lead in organising, but invited GYG to provide a speaker who could share insights on the global implications of the election results. A request that we happily replied to.

Inside of the Steering Committee we prepared perspectives, questions, hopes and fears from all three non-European regions and our Co-Spokesperson Pamphylia Madyavanhu presented them on our behalf.

We were very happy to see the huge interest in these global perspectives and would be happy to organise exchanges like these more often.

Filip
Janković (CDN)

Christina
Kessler (FYEG)

Pamphylia
Madyavanhu (GYG)

June 12
19:00 CEST

Electionvision
European Union

THE JUNE CLIMATE MEETINGS IN BONN (SB 60)

We participated in the June Climate Meetings in Bonn, Germany, at the headquarters of the UNFCCC from 3 June to 13 June. We sent five observers, three from the Steering Committee and two from outside the SC. We learnt about the most important negotiations that were being made to prepare for COP 29 in Baku, Azerbaijan. We met with other activists, especially from YOUNGO, at the venue and in the activist camp made by local volunteers outside. We thank the local activists for hosting us through their platform *Bed Exchange* and for organising the great camp. They served us free meals and created a space of exchange on climate action. We also participated in protests for respecting human rights at the coming COP 29 in Azerbaijan and in climate action in general. Those who were in Bonn during the night of the 9th of June when the European Parliament elections results were announced participated in the electoral evening of the Bonn Green Party and connected with the local Greens and other Greens participating at the June Climate Meetings.

As this was our first structural participation in the SB sessions in Bonn, we are very happy with the results and the impact we had and even more with the great input we could take from there for our preparations for COP29. This is a great learning for future participation in these sessions and a perfect starting point for a closer cooperation between GYG and the international affairs working group of the Greens in Bonn who are also interested to continue the collaboration and intensify it in the coming years, when there is less pressure due to elections campaigns coming to their end at the same time.

You can see our posts from SB 60 [here](#).

You can read more about the June Climate Meetings here [external link]: <https://unfccc.int/sb60>



INTERIDEOLOGICAL YOUTH POLITICS SUMMIT ORGANISED BY NDI

GYG delegation to the National Democratic Institute (NDI) in July 2023 discussed with the NDI and cross ideology youth networks about several projects and much discussion and virtual meetings two programs were finalised.

Three days of working together across 4 ideologies on these projects were organised in Bommersvik in Sweden upon invitation of the NDI's Young Political Party Cooperation Programme. The organisations invited next to GYG included IFLRY (Liberals), IUSY (Socialists) and CDI (Conservatives). We learnt strategies on effective political collaboration and had a lot of space to get to know each other and our organisations as well as to develop ideas for future collaboration.

We see the advantage of these collaborations and are looking forward to further strengthen these relationships.



3. Committees and Working Groups

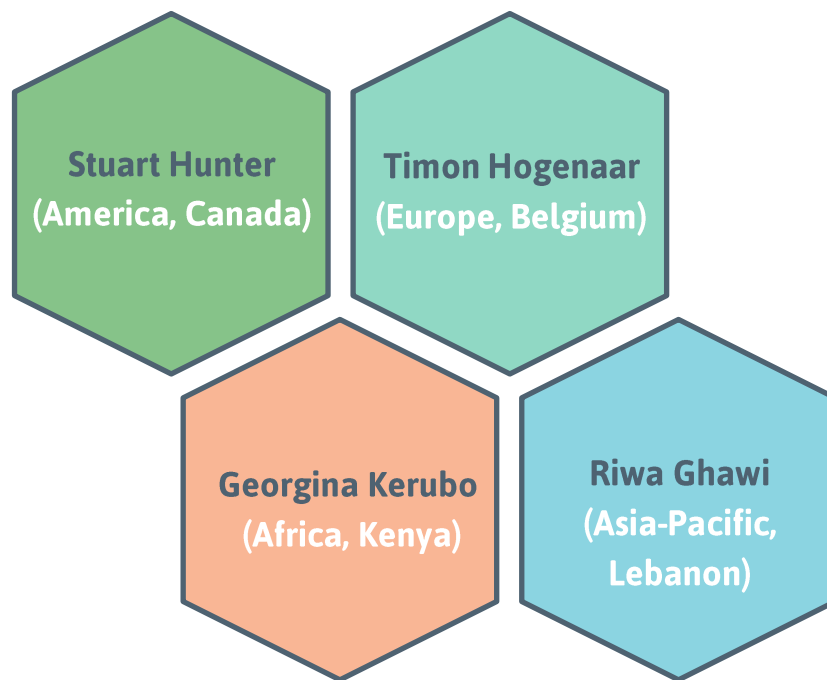
Oversight Committee



OVERVIEW

The task of the GYG Oversight Committee (OC) is to hold the GYG Steering Committee (SC) to account, in consideration with GYG's Organisational Principles, oversee and ensure complaints are dealt with fairly, and run GYG elections (as well as oversee co-options).

The current members of the GYG Oversight Committee are:



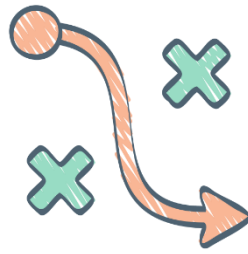
ACTIVITIES

Elections and Co-options In summer 2024, the OC organised interim elections to fill vacancies on the Steering Committee. These elections were triggered due to:

- Resignation of the Regional Coordinator for Asia Pacific, Lucy O'Connell-Doherty (Australian Young Greens);
- The vacant spots which could not be filled in the previous elections involving two SC members from Americas and one SC member from Asia-Pacific.

These elections are still in progress.

COMPLAINTS



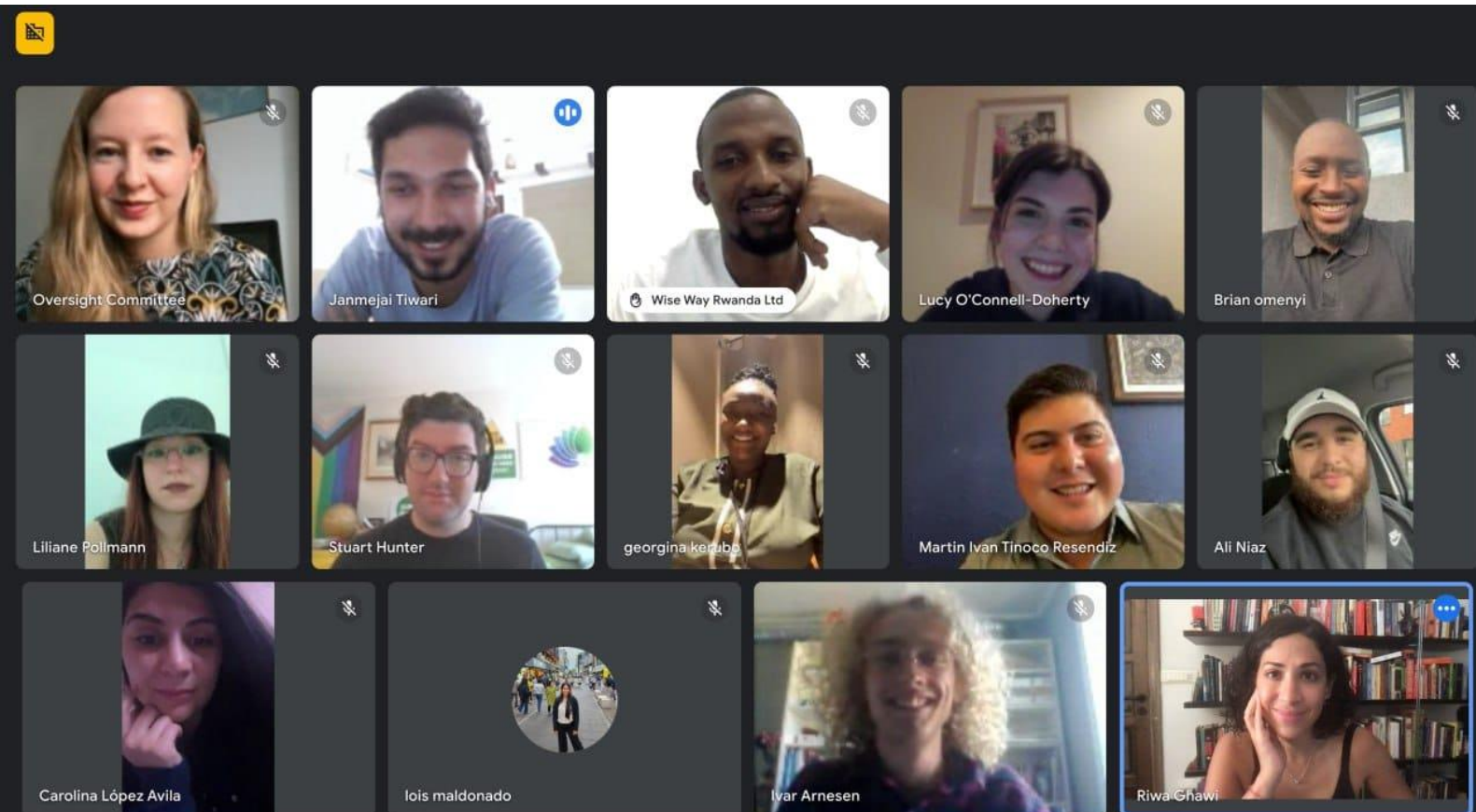
During the past year, the OC received several complaints, concerning the conduct and participation of various GYG SC members. These complaints have been resolved; parties have been heard and mediation sessions have been organised. This upcoming year, the OC will focus ameliorating the policies and procedures to further ensure a safe space in GYG (Conferences).

The OC also is still waiting for a formal response from the GG regarding several complaints of GYG members following the joint congress in 2023. The OC will continue to follow up upon this.

ONGOING SUPPORT TO THE WORK OF THE GYG STEERING COMMITTEE



During the last year, the OC has continued its important role in supporting the work of the Steering Committee. In practice, this has meant attending the GYG SC meetings from time to time, providing consultation on statutory issues, general oversight and advice to the GYG SC to support the ongoing work of GYG.



Climate Working Group



The Climate Working Group (Climate WG) was established in May 2024 and is supposed to support the long term work of GYG in the field of international climate policy and ensure a continuity across several years and different UNFCCC COP delegations. Its focus is climate policy and it is especially meant to work on policy, events and research that goes beyond the UNFCCC COPs, although the preparation of these conferences continues to be a very important part of the work.

The call for expressions of interest was well received and we counted 13 applicants by the end of the first application deadline. Those people were invited and are now contributing to the work of the working group.

The WG meets regularly every fortnight and in the meantime coordinates via email and slack.

The WG is always open to new members who fill in the form for expressing their interest. After the application, the SC reviews the potential members and invites them to the next working group meeting if there is no reason to object to their participation.



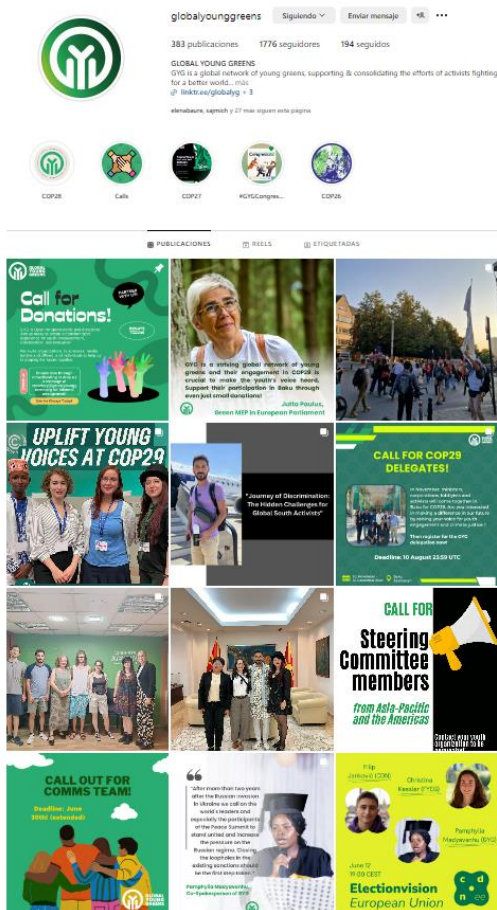
Communications Working Group



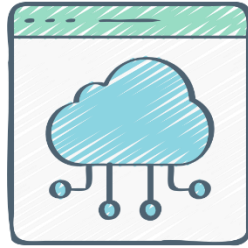
Strengthening the outreach of GYG through social media and different communication channels has been one key issue in 2023-2024 for GYG. The Communications Working Group was built in June 2024 on the foundation of the social media team for COP28 in 2023. The communication coordinators in the SC, Jung Lin and Martin Tinoco, are leading the working group with 5 active members from all the regions.

The Communications Working Group (Communications Team) is meant to support the work of the SC members in charge of communication and support with creating content, drafting texts, building graphics and collecting ideas for potential content and social media campaigns. Till this date, several meetings have taken place for long-term strategies and an online Telegram group has been formed. So far we have 5-7 active members who have participated in discussions and contributing to the content creation.

A social media calendar was created to outline the posting schedule and projects in 2024. The projects and campaigning in 2024 includes COP29 engagement (delegation recruitment, fundraising, event advertising and campaigning).



Workflow Improvement Working Group

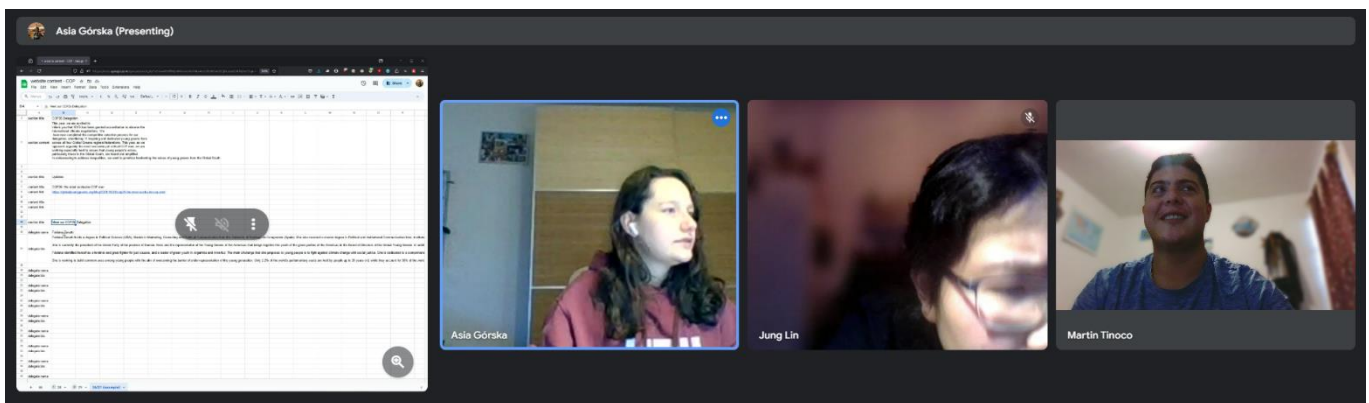


This working group was built to improve the internal procedures and tools used for the collaboration within GYG's bodies. The group consists of 4 dedicated members of the GYG SC who collaboratively search for new tools to use, ways to improve the use of current tools and also streamline procedures across GYG's bodies.

The aim is to reduce the administrative burden and free capacities for political and creative work.

The first projects included creating an event planning template to keep an overview of the necessary steps in organising a GYG event, and developing a process to renew the website and make it easier to update and maintain it.

There are multiple further objectives scheduled (especially streamlining long-term planning and progression tracking), but due to limited capacities and time pressures we focused on the Event Planning Kit and the website reorganisation.



4. Regional Networks

Africa



For the past few years, the Africa Young Greens Group has not been active due to challenges such as:

- Lack of support from the Green Parties to ensure that the Young Greens are relevant and empowered in the different Member Organisations.
- Language barriers between English and French speaking parts of Africa.
- Lack of organisational and structural capacity in the context of such a diverse and a large region.
- Lack of capacities within the African representatives in the SC that keep them from gathering support for the region

GYG will further strive to support the Young Greens in the region by supporting them in their participation in international events, offering speaking opportunities and support in raising funds. This alone will unfortunately not change the dynamic but GYG as an organisation will continue to support the Young Greens on their path to being organisational independent and able to sustain their organisations and increase their influence.



Americas



The Young Greens of the Americas (JVA) have developed different activities and work over the last two years, which is represented as: the development of our Green Pact project, the elections of the JVA executive committee at our Annual Assembly in 2023, and an electoral schedule that has been developed in America during 2024 where our young green leaders have had the opportunity to participate as young politicians.

GREEN PACT PROJECT

The Young Greens of the Americas (JVA) have consolidated a political platform with the aim of strengthening, positioning and making visible the youth environmental leadership in the region. This pact has advanced in several stages: The first stage in Mexico where it focused on the structuring and consolidation of member organisations. The second stage in Peru which was dedicated to evaluating the internal growth of the organisation and to following up on the strengthening actions undertaken. We are currently developing the Third Stage 2024, which includes building alliances with young greens from around the world to develop a global environmental agenda.

These collaborations will foster the exchange of knowledge and experiences, enriching our vision and strengthening our advocacy capacity. The results of these alliances materialise in a roadmap that will guide our actions at the next Conference of the Parties (COP 30), to be held in Brazil. There, the Young Greens of the Americas (JVA) will present a bold and unified proposal to drive climate action in the region and the political leadership of young greens.



XXIV Annual Assembly in Peru 2023

The 2023 Annual Assembly of the Young Greens of the Americas (JVA), brought together 10 countries with 12 delegates representing each of the organisation's member countries, and stood out for its focus on action on internal issues and political realities in the region, as well as the participation of young people in the Political and Social Agenda.



Our agenda consisted of workshops on the Green Pact that allowed us to develop concrete strategies to address challenges such as biodiversity loss and social justice. In addition, we held work meetings framed in the debate and analysis of our organisational base, and as the last point on the agenda and following our statutes and internal regulations, the electoral process was developed to elect the new executive committee. The new executive committee is made up of 3 co-presidents: Executive Co-President Diego Najarro (Guatemala), Co-President Mayara Vargas (Bolivia) and Co-President Marco Rocco (Brazil).



2024 ELECTIONS IN AMERICA

An electoral calendar is currently being developed in the region.

We Green Youth do not have an easy job in America; doing political activism or environmental activism represents a challenge and sometimes a dangerous challenge, due to the political system that the region lives in. However, we Green Youth have sought to occupy the spaces of power to be the continental voice of the youth, building opportunities with actions for the development and participation of environmental leaders.



Our regional agenda focuses on political work and environmental activism fighting against climate change and the system that affects the ecosystems of our countries and for this reason today we work in alliance with our Green brothers of the world to achieve all our objectives.



REACHING BEYOND THE REGION

The JVA executive committee had the opportunity to be present at the CDN General Assembly, as an observer, this served as a basis for the JVA to get closer to young greens from other parts of the world. Exchanging knowledge and observing the working mechanism was inspiring for us as a region and motivated us to build regional proposals on matters of internal organisation and strengthening our networks. We will always be grateful for the attention received by our colleagues from Eastern Europe for hosting the executive committee, and generating that space for debate and dialogue that inspired us to innovate.

Asia - Pacific



Currently two spots for SC members from the Asia-Pacific region are vacant and we are awaiting the result of the by-elections organised by the OC to change this.

The relationship between GYG and the Asia Pacific Young Greens Network (APYGN) has been more difficult than in the past as APYGN is also undergoing a process of internal restructuring. We will continue to be in touch and support each other where needed and are looking forward to strengthening our connections again once the dust has settled.

We were delighted to have welcomed inspiring young activists from the Asia Pacific region at the GYG congress in 2023. During the congress preparation, GYG was in regular contact and collaboration with several youth organisations from this region in terms of event planning and strategies, such as APYGN, Korean Young Greens, Taiwan Young Greens and USO. As a result of GYG's activities, we have witnessed an increase in interest from other young green organisations and activists throughout the region, leading to new membership requests and high interest to get involved in GYG's committees.

However, there is still limited participation of APYGN members in GYG activities and events. This is primarily due to the vast geographical expanse of the region and language barriers, which we are continuously working to overcome. The inactivity of APYGN due to internal restructuring has made it harder to engage individual MOs in this region, because of a lack of communication channels. We also seek greater support from the member organisations of the federations to empower and motivate young greens in the region, encouraging their active involvement in building the movement and supporting their work structurally. We are confident that new people joining the Steering Committee from the Asia-Pacific region after the ongoing elections will improve these issues and participation from the region will likely increase as well.



Europe



For an overview of the member organisations of Global Young Greens, see this list made by our European Federation, the Young European Greens, FYEG: <https://fyeg.org/member-organisations>

ELECTIONS

EP elections summary

This year Europe had many important elections. European Parliament elections were held 6th-9th June. We congratulate our Member Organisations and the Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG) for a great campaign. Greens in Western and Northern Europe lost seats compared to the last elections in 2019, but grew in Southern and Eastern Europe, where Greens have had little representation. We also have new young Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) in the Global Young Greens Member Organisations. You can see a full list of the current Green MEPs here: <https://www.greens-efa.eu/en/who-we-are/our-meps>



The elections were overshadowed by discussions about security, especially with regards to the war against Ukraine. Migration was also a hot topic being debated.

Support for national elections (UK, France)

We offered support for the UK General Elections on 4th July and the French legislative elections on 30th June and 7th July 2024. We provided support with appeals from Young Greens from outside Europe for the French Young Greens and received much interest. Sadly, this did not come to fruition because of time constraints and few videos from outside Europe.

We are impressed by the great results the Young Greens of England and Wales, the Scottish Young Greens, and the Young Greens of Ireland (covering Northern Ireland) had in the UK General Elections, and the results of the French Young Greens in their elections. Alliances with other progressive parties and quick organisation at the declaration of snap elections with little time to prepare provided great results. We hope this may inspire other Young Greens in similar contexts.

COOPERATION WITH THE COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT NETWORK EASTERN EUROPE (CDN) AND WITH THE FEDERATION OF YOUNG EUROPEAN GREENS (FYEG)

CDN

Electionvisions

We co-organised an *Electionvision* event on Taiwanese elections and took part in another discussing the recent European Parliament elections and their impacts outside of the EU and Europe, where our co-spokesperson Pamphylia Madyavanhu joined as a speaker to bring a global perspective to the changing political landscape in the EU.

CDN General Assembly

As part of our goal of making closer connections to our federations and member organisations, we set out to visit General Assemblies of both FYEG and CDN. Due to personal capacities and limited options of federations to take us on as guests, we joined only the CDN General Assembly in the role of presidency (represented by Asia Górska). We used the time there to connect more with Eastern European member organisations and the guests, discussing GYG activities and potential collaborations. We were also glad that Lois Maldonado, GYG regional coordinator for the Americas, could join the General Assembly as a guest.



FYEG

During the strong focus on the European election campaign in the year 2024 FYEG had limited capacities for a closer collaboration.

We still managed to collaborate on the participation in COP28, as FYEG was not sending delegates on their own, so we coordinated with them to ensure their participation could be secured through GYG delegates.

We also started scheduling a meeting to thoroughly discuss the long term collaboration between FYEG and GYG (as well as CDN, to ensure the most efficient cooperation on a regional level, and not duplicate workloads), but this meeting still needs to happen - it is loosely scheduled after FYEG's new EC.

5. Financial report



This report provides an overview of the financial activities during the year, particularly focusing on the significant events, donations, and the progress towards future banking and financial strategy developments.

Key Events and Financial Activities



CONGRESS AND COP28

2023 was a significant year for the organisation as it was both a congress year and the year of COP28. These events were crucial not only in terms of their impact on our mission but also in terms of financial aspects:

- **GYG Congress in South Korea:** We received significant donations earmarked for the congress held in South Korea. These donations were primarily utilised to cover the travel and accommodation expenses of the participants, ensuring that they could attend the event without financial barriers. Still this only covered 8 participants and included volunteers running the congress, so it is clear that we will need to secure more funds for the next congress, especially if we should happen to organise that one without a collaboration with the Global Greens and their congress.
- **COP 28:** Similarly, the financial contributions received for COP 28 were directed towards covering the travel and lodging costs for the participants. This support was essential in facilitating widespread participation, which was crucial for the success of our involvement in the conference. It included large support from organisations and foundations as well as remarkable support through a crowdfunding campaign we set up and distributed.



BANKING TRANSITION AND FUTURE STRATEGY

Banking Transition



The organisation has been in the process of reassessing our banking arrangements to find a solution that aligns with our operational needs and future financial strategy:

- **Potential Shift to Wise:** After thorough consideration (and quick consultation with CDN, who use this provider as their main banking tool), Wise has emerged as a potential new banking partner. The final decision still needs to be taken by the SC after comparing the various options presented.

We hope to complete the bank account switch by 2025, as we don't want to create any unnecessary chaos during the preparation of and reimbursing after COP29.

Long-Term Financial Strategy



The SC decided to appoint the current treasurer to develop a long-term financial strategy with a focus on securing regular income to ensure the stability of GYG's work and enable the organisation to work towards a paid secretariat supporting the volunteers running this organisation.

OVERVIEW OF THE ACCOUNTS

Total amount on our bank account as of 1 January 2023: €2633,43

Income:

N26 Cashback	0,11€
Donation	4750,11€
Total	4750,22 €

Expenses:

OVH Cloud	110,49€
Remboursement Liliane Viola Pollman	161€
Remboursement Ali Niaz	650€
Remboursement Jung Lin	700€
Remboursement Liliane Viola Pollman	650€
Remboursement Hema Kandpal	700€
Remboursement Timon Hogenaar	700€
Remboursement Javier Larios	450€
Remboursement Javier Larios	280,29€
Survey Monkey Platform Subscription	39€
Remboursement Liliane Viola Pollman	154,86€
Remboursement Pamphylia Madyavanhu	346,13€
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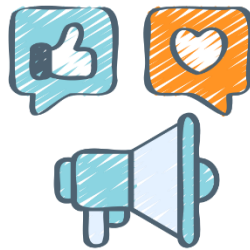
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This report only covers the financial transactions until December 2023 (including).

7. GYG communication platforms

Social Media



The social media channels continue to receive regular updates in different modes of presentation. In the communication towards the congress, we additionally started working with reels during COP28 which performed well overall and received up to 1000 views in a short space of time.

Whenever possible, we posted statements on current political developments across the world.

During COP28 we were again able to level up our social media work and received not only a good rate of interactions but also very positive feedback from partnered organisations. We took advantage of the up to date topics as well as protests and our own actions.

We also receive a higher number of direct requests for cooperation, questions of interest or speaking opportunities via our social media channels. We reacted to that by planning dedicated campaigns platforming young candidates standing for elections around the world. This campaign still needs a bit more work until it can be kicked off.

As a consequence, traffic to our social media pages continues to increase in followers and engagement on posts:

- 6075 likes on our Facebook page (+128 from early 2023 = 2.1% increase) and consistent positive reactions. Additionally, we are quite often mentioned in posts of volunteers who have been engaged with us in the past.
- The GYG instagram page has 1761 followers (+437 from early 2023 = 24.8% increase).
- The GYG Twitter page has 3239 followers (+48 from early 2023 = 1.4% increase)
- Our LinkedIn is now receiving regular updates as well, currently it has 398 followers (+242 from early 2023 = 60% increase).
- Our Youtube Channel was reactivated in the preparations to the Global Young Greens Congress in 2023 and currently has 53 subscribers. An additional old account exists which we can't access anymore. We requested from Youtube to merge the accounts or delete the old one and are awaiting the reply.



Suggested future goals for the social media outreach of GYG are:

- Developing a social media strategy to improve engagement across all channels with an explicit focus on the time between our major events to be able to keep the engagement high and include the new resources from our newly established communications working group.
- More regular generation of social media content that incorporates current political events and action days. This is also an ideal case of where the communications WG can help us in planning and creating these posts with a bit more time.
- Participating in trending discussions on social media with our own content and reducing the response time for our posts to current events and discussions.



The GYG newsletter is meant to publish updates on internal developments from GYG committees and Working Groups and opportunities to get involved. We see the newsletter as an available tool in supporting our activities and keeping our network members and our network of supporters engaged which is why we prioritise fixing the switch of hosts.

We are still in the process of finding a different host for our newsletter as we reached the capacity of our current host and want to ensure to continue with the best possible option in terms of usability, price and reachable contacts.

We have lastly reached over 1300 subscribers which should be considered a fair growth. The reach currently is over 2500 as per the data of our host, although it is much likely greater than this as the newsletter is promoted on other GYG social media platforms as well.



We face issues with maintaining the website due to several inconsistencies in the previous maintenance of the website and different structures implemented by different maintainers. This is why we decided to completely start from scratch again and rebuild the website as per our needs and the accessibility and the opportunities of maintaining it regularly.

This process started in late spring 2024 and is still ongoing.

8. Recommendations



DEVELOPMENT OF A POLITICAL PLATFORM FOR GYG

The development of GYG as an organisation and a network reached a point where it would be useful to create a place collecting the political output of the committees and working groups of GYG and create a common understanding of GYG's political goals. This could be used as a resource for statements, events and should be updated regularly. The process has started with the creation of an internal concept note and needs to be followed up upon in the upcoming years.

REACTIVATING THE CAPACITY BUILDING WORKING GROUP

Almost all committees and working groups of GYG struggle with the limited capacity of their volunteers at some point. To improve the situation and make these groups more resilient towards less activity from individual members it would be worth developing a long-term capacity building strategy. The learnings would surely also be helpful for the member organisations and their own capacity building as well.

CREATING A COHERENT FUNDRAISING STRATEGY

As GYG is fully dependent on donations, it would be essential to reactivate the fundraising working group and create a coherent fundraising strategy with the help of dedicated experts and volunteers. We are repeatedly facing struggles to finance our participation in UNFCCC COPs or even our own events and don't have a regular amount coming in that could cover our organisational costs. Therefore, a fundraising strategy that has a more long term focus would also free capacities for the event focused fundraising done occasionally. Ideally, we would reach a point of securing a regular income for GYG that can cover the recurring organisational costs. We have also learned of possible funding options for global events (as IFLRY has managed to do just that) and would like to explore those options further.

MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH AND COMMS

Outreach to members continues to be key to help GYG to function as an active network. Close contact with Member Organisations on an individual and regional level is integral together with presence and activities at Federation or other events.

CREATING A COHERENT COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

As outlined above it would improve the work we already do on our social media channels to create a long term strategy and start planning the respective content further ahead than we are able to do it now. This will also reduce the need for capacity in this important aspect of our work. A concept for the use of our newsletter and its function should also be a key part of this communication strategy.

EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF GYG'S AI AND GENERATIVE-AI TOOLS' POLICY

Due to rapid growth and accessibility of generative AI tools, no transparency regarding companies' use of data used to train their models (especially sensitive data - see the case of Phelim Kine's interview with an Uyghur activist using Otter.AI and subsequent manual review of those communications by the Chinese government) and growing use of those tools by the general public (including applicants for our calls), GYG needs to develop a coherent and enforceable policy regarding the use of those tools, especially taking into account organisational security. Those deliberations should involve developing GYG's threat model and might prompt us to rethink our use of Google Workspace and Telegram as well.

9. Supporting information



GYG Communications Platforms

[GYG Telegram Channel for Members & Friends](#)

[GYG Facebook](#)

[GYG Twitter](#)

[GYG Instagram](#)

[GYG LinkedIn page](#)

[GYG Youtube Channel](#)

[GYG Newsletter Archive](#)

[Subscribe to the GYG newsletter](#)

[GYG Website](#)

GYG Regional Networks

Africa <https://www.facebook.com/groups/705838786448340/>

Americas https://www.facebook.com/jovenesverdesdeamericas/?ref=br_rs

Asia Pacific <https://www.facebook.com/apygn/>

Europe <https://t.me/joinchat/BtGuZxnf2DKhZROaH5ldtA>

GYG Documents

[GYG Organisational Principles](#)

[GYG-GG Memorandum of Understanding](#)

[GYG Conflict Resolution Procedure](#)

[GYG Elections – Code of Conduct \(English\)](#)

[GYG Elections – Código de Conducta \(Español\)](#)

[GYG Elections – Code de Conduite \(Français\)](#)







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