



# MINUTES

## Bureau Meeting

### 06 April 2025 Zagreb

The meeting started at 9h CEST and ended at 10 h 35 CEST. It was held in Zagreb, Croatia.

**Present:** Ines Holzegger (IH), Marten Porte (MP), Sean Bennett (SB), Alexandre Servais (AS), Willemijn Krans (WK), Dimitra Papadopoulou (DP), Sorchá Ni Chonghaile (SNC) and Even Diot (ED)

**Invited:** Chiara Liguori (CL)

**IH** opened the Bureau meeting and started with the first agenda point.

#### 1) LYMEC Spring Congress

- Follow up

IH thanked the Secretariat and the Bureau members for their work throughout the weekend. Great feedback was collected from the delegates.

For the next Congress, names should be printed on both sides of the badges. A workshop on how to write a resolution should be organised ahead of the next congress as a capacity building event for the delegates and open to all.

SNC and the Secretariat will work on redoing the Working Group Document, as it lacks clarity for the Chair in handling the amendments during Congress.

IH thanks CL and the Bureau Members who supported her during the event. The way of taking minutes should be addressed and revised.

AS A new system of Minutes taking for the congress will be addressed during the Summer Bureau Meeting.

SB mentioned the need to write down in the rules of procedures the behavior expected from delegates following a vote.

IH outlined that this is the role of a Chair to remind the delegates. It will be highlighted during their preparation. For the next Congress, the presentation of the Ombudsperson and of the trustees should be included in the agenda.

- Membership issues

MP Following the resignation of Nova Stranka (Serbia), the Bureau should vote to forgive their outstanding debts as it is unlikely to be recovered.



All of the Bureau Members are in favor.

**Decision:** The outstanding debt of Nova Stranka will be erased.

Following the successful application of PSG Youth (Serbia), MP will send them an updated invoice for the Full Membership fee.

Following the rejection of the reduced membership fee of Unge Moderater, MP will send them a reminder for their outstanding fee.

Following the misbehaviour of Hotel delegates, a mention will be made in the next Congress call to remind delegates that they are not only representing their organisation whilst attending a LYMEC Congress, but also the European liberal youth; therefore, an exemplary attitude is expected.

Following discussion with YDM Vesna, the organisation will be put again on the Organisation website. It was removed following the recognition of LYMEC as 'undesirable' in Russia.

Following the disaffiliation of the Estonian Center Party Youth (Estonia). The organisation will be removed from the organisation website and from the mailing list for internal communication.

## 2) Upcoming Activities

- Microsoft event on April 9th

In coordination with other Political Party Youth Organisations, LYMEC is organising a Panel Discussion: *From Promise to Policy: Youth Reflections on the EU's First 100-Day*. With MEP Anna Stürgh from RENEW Europe.

- ELF GA, April 14-15

MP will be in attendance, representing the European Liberal Youth LYMEC.

- Policy Debate 2, April 16
- LibertyCon 2025, April 26-27

IH will be part of a Panel discussion co-organised with ELF on *The impact of AI on electoral outcomes*. During this event the organisation will have a stand to promote our work, and seek potential partners in Czech Republic and promote the Individual Members Section of our organisation.

- YCA II April 26-27

SB and CL are organising this event with local partners. A visit of the City Hall will be organised for the participants in addition to the programme.

- NGUN Event on May 3rd.



WK will be a Speaker at this event in The Hague on the role and importance of youth in democracy and human rights.

- YFJ GA - May 9-11

SNC and Rowan Fitton (LYMEC Candidate for the Advisory Council of Youth) will be attending the General Assembly. DP and WK are supporting Rowan in his campaign and will arrange preparatory meetings ahead of the event.

- LCN May 16-18

### 3) Invitations:

- JOVD Congress May 23-25
  - WK will be in attendance as a Chair.
- Radikale Ungom Congress invitations is expected soon.
- Julis Congress is scheduled in September.
- USR Tineret
  - MP will contact USR Tineret to see if international guests will be invited.

### 4) Secretariat:

- Youth Stakeholders Group

ED joined the first EU Youth Stakeholders Group of the European Commission in Brussels. This event will be held annually, and online meetings will be held digitally on a regular basis to provide feedback to the EU institutions on Youth politics. ED will involve WK in the next steps of the process.

- Update Erasmus+

LYMEC received the final settlement for the Erasmus+ + Grant from 2024 (15 000 EUR). The pre-financing for 2025 was also received (60 000 EUR).

CL is working with the support of AS and IH on the Erasmus+ + Application for the Framework application for 2026-27.

The first draft should be ready by next week. The deadline for submission is mid-May.

- EYF Grant Application Call for Ukraine

ED will coordinate with our members in Ukraine, FNF Ukraine and relevant partners to start organising this capacity-building event in July, in Lviv, European Capital of Youth 2025.

### 5) Tour de Table Bureau Members



WK The call for the Liberal hack is open. Targeted communications for the call for candidates need to be made with the support of other Bureau members. WK will take note during the Policy Debate on April 16th, moderated by SNC.

DP The confirmation of the LCN participant will be sent next week. The TikTok strategy to be presented at the next bureau meeting.

SB YCA II is coming up soon in Stockholm. A new platform will be used for the e-learning components during the summer. The Database of IOs is being filled, and SB will work closely with Rowan on Libertas on the delivery of articles.

SNC Will work on the new policy book following the LYMEC Spring Congress 2025. She will host the Policy Debate 2 on April 16th.

AS Will work on the LYMEC HUB, will set up HR meetings monthly with the Secretariat and support CL in drafting the Erasmus + grant. As will also send a Doodle to the bureau members to determine a date for the next bureau meeting.

MP Will work on the Congress follow-up on finances and statutory matters.

IH will work with WK on Advocacy for the organisation and set up a meeting with ED to discuss the strategy.

#### 6) AOB

ED pointed out a small difference in the Report from the External Auditors and our Bookkeeping. The difference was corrected before Congress with a new report provided by the External Auditor.

No additional AOB were discussed.

The meeting ends at 10h35 CEST.

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