

Elections guide LYMEC 2020 Skopje, North Macedonia

This is a wrap-up of all the existing documents related to elections to facilitate the understanding of the process.
For more information, please refer to the [Congress rules](#) and [Congress page](#).

1) Applications

Candidates willing to appear on the Congress website need to apply by the deadline of **the 6 March 2020** in order to appear on the Congress electoral page. More information on applications on the Congress website: <https://www.lymec.eu/events/lymec-spring-congress-2020/>

Applications received beyond that point will be considered (candidates can announce themselves at any time before the beginning of the Congress) but won't appear on the electoral page.

Candidates may be put forward by full member organisations or individual members. They must be between 18 and 33 years of age on the date of the election.

2) Campaign

The campaign for the elections has no clear definition. In fact, many candidates launched social media campaigning even before formally applying. Once the candidates receive the official nomination from their organisation (not needed for ALDE delegation candidates), they can start to set up their campaign.

Once the electoral page on the LYMEC website is launched, candidates can use it for campaigning purposes and their application becomes public.

3) Elections and results

1. Each election has a specific agenda point: 14 is for Bureau members, 15 is for Internal Auditors, 16 is for IFLRY representatives and 17 is for the ALDE delegation members. The Congress will be dealing with one agenda point after another. Candidates must be announced at the latest before the opening of the given agenda point. More information on the Documentation page of the Congress: <https://www.lymec.eu/skopje-congress-2020-documentation-page/>
2. Elections will take place most likely on Saturday morning.

3. Each candidate is given a specific time slot in alphabetical order by first name in the English alphabet to present its application and then to receive questions from the Congress and respond them. Once the session for one position is over then the election related to it will be launched.
4. Candidates have the following time (proposed by the Congress Chair – **article 24 Congress rules**) to present their applications (time given to each candidate) followed by questions (Q/A is done together for Bureau member positions):
 - President: 5 minutes / Vice-President: 4 minutes / Treasurer: 4 minutes / BM: 3 minutes
 - Internal auditors + substitutes: 2 minutes
 - ALDE delegation candidates: 1 minute
 - IFLRY representative: 2 minutes
5. Voting will be electronical through the **“Election Runner” platform** used also for the snap vote on the order of resolutions. Voting delegates (head of delegations + IMS delegates) will receive an email with the ballots and will be able to express the vote of their organisation weighted according to the number of votes they have.
6. As stated in the Congress rules (Article 26), the voting is two-round runoff binary for the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and representative to IFLRY. Whereas, it's a non-preferential bloc voting for ALDE delegates, internal auditors and Bureau members. More information on the elections and the two methods used in the **Congress rules at article 24 to 26 on page 11-12. Link to Congress rules: https://www.lymec.eu/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/LYMEC_CongressRules_London-27-11-19.pdf**
7. One election will be carried out for each position (Bureau member being one position where the first 4 candidates getting most of the votes are elected).

Results will be announced at the end of the voting or when all voting delegates casted their votes for the given elections. Results will be communicated and published after the elections.

8. Discharged internal Auditors make sure the elections are properly carried out.