

my experience: LYMEC & beyond



LYMEC Congress Vilnius, Oct 18



IFLRY General Assembly Barcelona, Nov 18



FNF Seminar

Invited to present about Brexit at the 'Our Liberal Europe' seminar, hosted by the Friedrich Naumann Foundation in Germany
Gummersbach, Jan 19



ELF Publication Event

Essay on the lessons of Brexit and the break-up of Yugoslavia featured in ELF publication after attending LYMEC book event
Sarajevo, Jul 19

Tim Robinson for IMS Steering Committee

about me

For those of you who have yet to meet me, my name is Tim, and I am, variously, an Englishman, a Brit, a Bosnian, a Yugoslav – and of course – a European! Naturally, for a person with such a broad identity, 2020 is a year tinged in sadness. I first entered politics in 2016, amid the EU referendum, and over the last two years was heavily involved in the People's Vote campaign, so the UK's ultimate exit from the EU in January was a painful moment. But I am ever optimistic, and determined as always to be a part of making our European dream a success.

The European project has long had a personal significance to me: my mother came to the UK as a refugee from the Bosnian war, and I grew up with family dispersed throughout Europe. I am more than just a believer in Europe: I am living proof of the EU's status as the greatest peace project of our time.

Last year, I completed my BAsC, an interdisciplinary liberal arts programme, majoring in Economics and International Relations, at UCL in London. I now work in Public Sector Audit & Assurance at a multinational financial services group. Contrary to the stereotypes about British people, I can speak Portuguese (C1), French (C1), Bosnian/Serbian/Croatian (B2), Spanish (B1), Russian (A2) and Korean (A1)!

why LYMEC?

Though I have long been passionate about European politics, my first involvement in LYMEC in 2018 was admittedly largely by chance. Coming from a country in which government support for youth politics is essentially non-existent, I was taken aback by the incredible opportunities for political participation and personal development that LYMEC offers to its members: opportunities I have seized upon in the last year, and now wish to help expand to others like myself.

my commitments to the IMS

1

Widen participation and engagement

I will lead efforts to promote the IMS to potential members, and publicise opportunities to existing members

2

Produce materials to help young, new members

Getting involved in international politics is daunting! I will work to ensure materials exist to help ease new members in.

3

Increase transparency and information

Individual Members should have access to more information about how their delegates have voted at our congresses. I will support our delegates to help report this information.