



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

President

**Hamburg – 91st International Session of the European
Youth Parliament**



The 91st International Session of the EYP will be held Hamburg, Germany from 20th to 29th of September 2019. You can read the Message from the National Organising Committee below. For more information on the session, please visit the [event's Member Platform page](#).

The Session President will be required to arrive a few days in advance and work on many aspects of the session, to be involved in the selection process of the Chairs' Team as well as to provide leadership for the whole session and its participants. The Session President will also be involved in the development and preparation of the Chairs' Academic Training (CAT) together with the International Office. Participation in the training is compulsory. Travel expenses to the CAT will be covered by the International Office. The CAT is planned to take place during one of the first three weekends of July. The exact dates are yet to be decided together with the President and the Editor.

Message from the National Organising Committee

“Remember. Reflect. React.”

The theme of the session shapes our vision for the International Session in Hamburg. Thematically, the event will focus on European remembrance with, among others, the 30th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall and the 15th anniversary of the Central and Eastern European enlargement of the EU celebrated in 2019. The session is an opportunity for all participants to reflect on the founding of the EU and thus its economy, people and values. 2019 will not only mark the 100th year of German democracy but it portrays an exciting year for Europe as a whole, facilitating many discussions about the historical growth of the EU and current developments.

Having organised events for young Europeans for over 30 years, the EYP network has developed best practices and structures for International Sessions. Keeping in mind these ideas, we want to use the opportunity to reflect on past events and shape the International Session in Hamburg to suit the personal needs of each participant. Our general work ethic strongly focuses on transparency and participation to give everyone the chance to contribute to the final outcome from the beginning.

As the NOC, we do our best to create the space and provide the materials for the Chairs' Team to follow their own vision for their committees. We therefore also want to include the Chairpersons in the topic writing process, while each topic aims at reflecting the past. We think that every urgent and relevant question is driven by past events. Goals should seek to be different from and more ambitious than the status-quo and innovative solutions pave the way to achieve these goals.

Our vision for the academic aspect of the session is to see inspired solutions on long-pressing issues to improve our continent as a whole. We are looking for a President who enjoys to dive deep into the background of topics and is willing to make the theme more accessible to the participants. The President should encourage cooperation between all Officials' Teams while supporting the Officials and especially the Chairs-Team to grow to their full personal and academic potential.

Regarding personal traits, we envision the President to present a strong work ethic which focuses on self-improvement. Considering the length of preparation for the session and the many people involved, we also require the President to have the willingness to work closely with the HOs, NOC, Editor(s) and other involved parties. Recognising that there will be stressful times before, during and after the session, we are seeking a President that will be able to guide and support the whole Officials team with humour and serenity.



Selection criteria

According to [EYP policies](#), the President of an International Session has to meet the following criteria:

- i. excellent English language skills;
- ii. academic ability to engage with a wide variety of current European issues;
- iii. high sense of responsibility, strong motivation and commitment to further EYP's objectives;
- iv. extensive relevant EYP experience and a solid understanding of EYP;
- v. excellent planning and organisational skills;
- vi. excellent leadership skills and advanced understanding of group dynamics as well as ability to provide feedback;
- vii. ability to work as a member of a team and with individuals from various cultural and socio-economic backgrounds;
- viii. ability to facilitate and work together with different teams;
- ix. a strong personal vision for the Session and role; and motivation to preside the particular session;
- x. extensive training experience: ability to plan, run and evaluate training modules;
- xi. ability to represent EYP in an official capacity;
- xii. a sense awareness of one's own strengths and weaknesses in the role;
- xiii. a positive record of pre-session and post-session reliability.

The Selection Panel will consider first the individuals who have applied for the position and thereby thoroughly go over all the applications, following the guidelines given by the Governing Body.

The Selection Panel will consist of Kira Lange as the Head-Organiser, Sophie Scannell as Past Session President and Marek Navratil as the Governing Body Member.

According to [the Policy on the Selection of International Session Officials](#) to be eligible for selection, the applicant needs to have at least one official EYP evaluation.

In case you are unsure if you are eligible to apply, you can contact the Human Resources Assistant of the EYP at hr@eyp.org.

How to apply?

If you are available and interested in attending, you should follow these steps to apply:

1. Log on to the EYP Member Platform (if you do not have access or encounter any other problems with the platform, please, get in touch with support@eyp.org);
2. Update your personal profile on the platform. Please, make sure your full name, country, home National Committee, session history and contact information are available and updated.
3. Apply for the 91st International Session in Hamburg as President on the Event's Page on the Member Platform and fill in the questions (questions are listed below).



4. The deadline for submitting your application on the platform is **Monday, 25th of February at 12:00 (noon) CET.**

All officials are also asked to make sure they are aware of the relevant policies of the EYP as listed in the official EYP Info Section on the Member Platform <https://www.members.eyp.org/structure-and-policies>.

Application questions

1. Please, explain how you fulfil the criteria for the role of the President and support your reasoning with concrete examples. (max 1000 words)
2. Please, share with us your motivation to preside the particular International Session and elaborate on what you could bring to it? (max 1000 words)
3. What is your vision for the Session?

The selection will only begin once the application deadline is over. All the applicants will be informed individually about the outcome of the selection process.

Good luck!