

EEB1 Hannah O'Sullivan

Proposer: FYEG

Agenda item: 8. Ecosprinter Editorial Board Candidates

Motivation Letter

Hello, I am Hannah and I am currently based in Glasgow, Scotland. Over the last year I have been the Climate Campaign Officer for the Scottish Young Greens, which was my first introduction to the FYEG and the wider green community. My main role within SYG was in organising the Youth Hub for COP26 which was hosted in Glasgow last November. Working alongside FYEG and GYG (Global Young Greens) we hosted 19 sessions over 12 days for young activists from across the globe; focusing on climate justice, youth in politics and fossil fuel divestment. This was an incredible opportunity for me to see the work of FYEG and our international green community, and is the reason why I would love to join the Editorial Board of Ecosprinter.

Ecosprinter is such a great opportunity for us to share our perspectives of common causes and issues across Europe. As a member of the Editorial Board, I would like to develop the work of previous years and highlight the shared challenges across Europe and beyond, as well as different approaches communities are adopting to address them. From renewable energies to social justice, there are a multitude of common causes across our continent and beyond. As an Erasmus Mundus Master's student of Central & East European, Russian & Eurasian Studies; my experience and academic expertise will bring a valuable perspective to the editorial board. Having lived in West, Central and Northern Europe, I have regional knowledge of the challenges faced across Europe and I would love the opportunity to work with activists to highlight the incredible work that is being done to fight for a better future across Europe and beyond.

The work of Ecosprinter contributors and writers have the potential to bring so many motivated activists to FYEG's community, and in the next year I would love to have a role in developing this. Online publications are a great way of reaching a wider audience, and one of my key targets would be expanding the reach of Ecosprinter's and its online presence. This would be coupled with expanding recruitment of writers for our online and printed editions of the magazine. For people looking to become more involved in FYEG during the year, I would like to make Ecosprinter one of the best (and most accessible) ways to do so.

We all became activists because we are passionate about creating a more just, sustainable planet. As a member of the Editorial Board, I want Ecosprinter to become a platform for us to share what makes us fight for that future; whether it be a just transition from fossil fuels, comprehensive social welfare, or the importance of political representation for young people. Platforming what we have achieved and what we want to fight for next should become one of our main tools in the years ahead, particularly looking to the 2024 elections. I would love to see Ecosprinter become a way of celebrating our wins as greens, and raise issues that are important to us at a local, national and international level.

We are all united in our desire to see a better and healthier planet for future generations, and Ecosprinter is a perfect method of sharing our successes and our struggles. I hope to be able to join the Editorial Board for 2022-23 and expand this incredible magazine even further!

Best wishes,
Hannah



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Education History

Erasmus Mundus Masters of Central & East European, Russian & Eurasian Studies 2021–2023

University of Tartu, University of Glasgow, Ilia State University

- Master's Thesis: 'Climate Justice and a Just Transition: the Challenges for Young People in Renewable Energy Communities in post-Paris Agreement Georgia.'

BA in Central & Eastern European Studies

Glasgow University 2017–2021

- Bachelor's Thesis: 'Socialist Realism and its Victims: An Examination of Stalinist Censorship in Music, Art, and Literature between 1932–64'

Work Experience

Scottish Young Greens 2021–

Climate Campaign Officer

- Organising the Youth Hub, a space dedicated to young green activists from around the world who came to Glasgow for COP26
- Coordinating 19 different sessions during COP26 including strike preparations, mental health sessions and seminars with international guest speakers
- Leading a working group of 40+ people to prepare locally for COP26, including a bi-weekly newsletter, creating a communications strategy with specific branding, and a targeted campaign for divestment in Scottish education

Erasmus Student Network 2020–

Events Manager & Communications Manager

- Organising and coordinating events both online and in-person
- Delegating tasks fairly to avoid burnout and ensure that everyone is taking on an achievable workload
- Chairing the 5th National Assembly of ESN UK
- Organising the 6th National Assembly for ESN UK, with delegates from across the UK arriving for a three-day conference of workshops, seminars and elections

Central & East European Studies Society 2021–22

Secretary & Graphic Designer

- Helping coordinate society events, and liaising with university staff and speakers to do so
- Organising events which raised over £1,800 for humanitarian aid in Ukraine
- Creating graphics for events, taking inspiration from artwork from regional artists and art movements

Skills

- Russian – A1
- Project Management
- Proofreading & editing
- Organisation
- Communication & graphic design