

## **SR4 Retroactive Three-Year Mandate for the Secretary-General**

Proposer: FYEG  
Agenda item: 1. Resolutions

### **Motion text**

#### **1 Noting that**

- 2 • The 2022 Internal Rules of Procedure (IRP) define the mandate of the  
3 Secretary-General (SG) as two years (Art. 2.3.), elected at the General  
4 Assembly (GA);
- 5 • If adopted, the proposed 2023 IRP will amend and increase the mandate of  
6 the SG to three years, which can be renewed once (Proposed Art. 4.3.).

#### **7 Considering that**

- 8 • The upcoming mandate of the SG is two years\* as changes to the Statutes  
9 and IRP regarding mandates only come into force for the subsequent GA  
10 onwards;
- 11 • For the sake of continuity and long-term planning of FYEG (assuming the  
12 adoption of the proposed 2023 IRP), as well as the volatile upcoming  
13 period with the transfer of responsibilities to the newly-elected SG, the  
14 EU24 elections, and the renewal of the Strategy Plan in 2025, recognising  
15 the coming mandate as three years will allow a smooth transfer of powers  
16 and enable the SG to make full use of their role as SG in this period.
- 17 • As such, the call was published with this in mind, as a period of three  
18 years.
- 19 • \* (See the Resolution on Delaying the General Assembly for the EU24  
20 Elections)

21 **The Executive Committee requests, with the approval of the General Assembly,**  
22 **that**

- 23       • For the SG elected at GA23, the proposed 2023 IRP changes regarding their  
24       mandate, if adopted, will function retroactively. The SG elected at GA23  
25       will, for the purpose for the 2023 IRP, be interpreted as being elected to  
26       serve a three-year mandate.

27 Note: As the Statutes and IRP are being amended, this resolution may only have  
28       working if all relevant changes regarding the mandate of the SG in the proposed  
29       2023 Statutes and IRP are adopted.