R12 Honest, caring and understood discussions are our strengths

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Motion text

As the Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG), we stand for a united, fair, and inclusive Europe. As Green youth, we envision a Europe where everyone is empowered to take part in shaping society, and where all voices—especially those historically marginalised—are heard in the decision-making process. We envision a Europe where care is at the centre of our societies, economies, and politics. We foster this vision by engaging in dialogue about the issues that matter to us, even when those conversations are difficult or uncomfortable. These moments of reflection and disagreement are not weaknesses, but strengths. They make us more resilient, more united, and more capable of building a green, caring, and youth-led future.

To truly embody the values we promote, we must also hold ourselves to the same values we expect of the world around us. A truly caring and inclusive Europe starts with us. This means not only reflecting on *what* we stand for, but *how* we communicate, organise, and relate to one another within our movement.

As FYEG, we believe that creating inclusive spaces means making room for all forms of communication—especially those that prioritise care and collective growth. While as FYEG we already have procedures in place to ensure that all voices are equal, and that we pursue safe(r) spaces, we must recognise how certain hierarchies and forms of adversarial or competitive politics are easy to internalise from the context around us.

The world around us is not centred around care and vulnerability, and European politics tends to listen to the loudest voice in the room. This should not bring shame, but rather a sense of responsibility to reflect, and an opportunity to learn. Practicing inclusive politics means recognising that strength lies not in overpowering others, but in working together, lifting each other up, and acknowledging the diverse ways in which leadership and participation can manifest. This means cultivating a culture of mutual respect, vulnerability, and shared purpose. Our activism should not be about proving who is right—it should be about building a future where everyone feels seen, heard, and empowered to act.

The General Assembly’s (GA’s) are the place where dialogue between Member Organisations (MO’s) is facilitated and where the highest decision-making body of FYEG shapes the organisation. We want more opportunities to discuss what inclusive and caring politics means to us, as young greens. More places where we can hold open and truthful discussions with each other and within ourselves are needed. As MO’s we find it incredibly important that those spaces are inclusive, open and caring for all voices, especially during hard and difficult conversations. Only by aligning our internal practices with our external goals can we truly lead by example—and build the kind of Europe we want to live in. We must demand better of ourselves.

Therefore, we call upon the General Assembly to:

- Acknowledge and reflect on our internalised hierarchies;
- Take responsibility to engage with each other on the topic and actively participate in the dialogue.

Furthermore, we call upon the Executive Committee to:

- Facilitate physical opportunities outside the annual GA where the General Assembly can discuss how to practice inclusive and caring politics;
- Facilitate learning opportunities for members to engage with inclusive and caring politics.

Reason

We would have liked to submit this resolution as a statutory one. The reason we did not yet amend the activity plan or the IRP is because we want to ask for a moment to discuss this. During that moment, we will then figure out changes to the IRP and statutes that will have to be made. So instead of us coming up with the solution, we want to do it collectively.

Supporters

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