

EC5 Serdar Şengezer

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Agenda item: 3. Candidates for Executive Committee

Introduction

Hello everyone!

I'm Serdar! I missed you all so much and I can't wait to see you in beautiful Paris. I hope you were as happy with me as I was with you – and I'd be honored to have your support again.

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Member Organisation:

Genç Yeşiller

Dear Fellow FYEG'ers,

First of all, I would like to sincerely thank you for trusting me and electing me last year. Since taking office, I have done my best, and even more, to honor that trust. However, our mandate was shorter than it should have been. That is why I am asking for your support once again, not just for myself, but also for my fellow Executive Committee members who are running for re-election. They are all wonderful people, and I know there are things we all hoped to accomplish but were unable to complete. Please give them, and me of course, the chance to fulfill these goals.

If I were to summarize what I have done over the past eight months, I have been responsible for the South, where I worked hard to strengthen the organizations and increase their interaction with each other. Of course, it is up to them to evaluate whether they are happy with my work, but I tried to be there for them in every matter, even before they asked. On the anniversary of the Tempi train accident in Greece, I felt we should address the issue more broadly. I contacted the European Green Party and created our first joint Instagram post, which later led to further collaborations and helped foster closer communication between us.

I am also responsible for the Beyond Growth Working Group (BGP). Following the resolution they wrote, and which you voted for last year, I dedicated a lot of time to making our organization a member of the International Degrowth Network. We have now been members for several months, and we have built a strong synergy, holding monthly meetings with them.

With Cinta's help, I was also able to secure significant sponsorship from the Green European Foundation (GEF) for our members who will participate in the International Degrowth Conference in Oslo, where they will lead a session.

You may not know this, but protesting in Turkey requires courage. We still remember the protesters who were killed and those who were imprisoned for years. Without your support, messages, and posts, I would not have found the strength to help my friends who are struggling there. As a lawyer, I supported my colleagues who were defending detained and arrested students, and I contributed, even if in a small way, to the release of almost all 301 students who had been arrested.

I am asking for your support once again so that I can continue doing more than I have so far, to help us stand together against what is happening in Ukraine and Palestine, and to continue raising the voices of the young people who are fighting for the future of democracy in my country.

Thank you.



Dear Fellow FYEG'ers

I have been part of various organizations over the years, but FYEG was the first place where I truly felt at home. I have never seen another space where young people from so many different backgrounds and countries work so devotedly for a common cause, support each other, and build lasting friendships. Thanks to FYEG, I have made great friends, participated in amazing events, and gained invaluable experiences. Over the past term, I have worked hard to contribute to FYEG's growth and success. Now, I am running for re-election because I want to continue building on what we have achieved, and help make FYEG a youth organization that even more people want to be part of.

These are not my only visions for our future, but they are my main priorities:

- 1) Continue increasing youth participation and growing FYEG and its member organizations across Europe. I am a creative and dedicated student, the best student at my university, with a 5/5 average and a 4.0 GPA. I love brainstorming new ideas, developing projects, and working closely with all of you to strengthen our organizations.
- 2) Keep supporting struggling member organizations, especially in the South. I have already worked to support MOs facing difficulties, but there is still a lot to be done. I am determined not to leave this work unfinished and will keep fighting for them.
- 3) Strengthen cooperation with other progressive organizations and youth wings. Building strong alliances with other progressive forces is crucial to preventing the far-right from gaining more power.
- 4) Defend the Green Deal and push politicians to meet climate targets. I will continue to advocate for environmental justice and ensure that our climate commitments remain a top priority.
- 5) Protect NGOs and civil society from attacks by the EPP, ECR, and PöF. Civil society must be defended, now more than ever, and I will work to ensure NGOs have the space and freedom they need to thrive.

Thank you.





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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Erasmus Exchange Semester

Ruprecht Karl University of Heidelberg [14/10/2024 – 31/03/2025]

City: Heidelberg | Country: Germany

International Relations MA

Eötvös Loránd University [11/09/2023 – Current]

City: Budapest | Country: Hungary

Public Law Master's (LL.M.)

Istanbul Medeniyet University [28/08/2021 – Current]

City: Istanbul | Country: Türkiye

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) (Full Scholarship)

Maltepe University [16/08/2016 – 15/06/2020]

City: Istanbul | Country: Türkiye

WORK EXPERIENCE

Member of the Executive Committee

Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG) [21/08/2024 – Current]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

Teaching Assistant

Eötvös Loránd University Institute of Political and International Studies [11/03/2024 – 05/08/2024]

City: Budapest | Country: Hungary

Intern Lawyer

Şenel Law Firm [02/07/2020 – 12/07/2021]

City: Istanbul | Country: Türkiye

Ombudsman

Maltepe University [16/09/2018 – 02/07/2020]

City: Istanbul

Intern

Şenel Law Firm [14/06/2019 – 14/09/2019]

City: Istanbul | Country: Türkiye

SKILLS

Windows 10 / Zoom / Skype / Microsoft Office (Word Excel Powerpoint) / Microsoft Teams / Google Forms / Microsoft Office 365 / Google Drive / Mail Applications / Social Media/Social Network / Outlook & Gmail / Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, Access, Power Point, Outlook.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Turkish

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C1 READING C1 WRITING C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 SPOKEN INTERACTION C1

German

LISTENING A2 READING B1 WRITING A2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A2 SPOKEN INTERACTION A2

Hungarian

LISTENING A1 READING A2 WRITING A1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A1 SPOKEN INTERACTION A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DRIVING LICENCE

Driving Licence: B

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

[01/07/2022 – Current] Brussels

Federation of Young European Greens

[16/08/2021 – Current] Istanbul

Istanbul Bar Association

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

[11/08/2024 – 12/08/2024] Tbilisi

Tbilisi Security Conference

[09/05/2021 – 06/06/2021]

Joint Project On Strengthening The Capacity of Bar Associations and Lawyers on European Human Rights Standards

PUBLICATIONS

[2024]

Securitisation of Migration in Europe: Processes, Influences, and Paths to De-securitisation

Published by the Green European Journal



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Genç Yeşiller hereby pleased to support the candidacy of Serdar Şengezer for the Executive Committee of Federation of Young European Greens.

We are delighted to nominate Serdar Şengezer as a candidate. We believe his extensive experience, dedication, and passion make him an outstanding choice for this position.

Serdar did an incredible job during his first term as an Executive Committee member, and we are really proud of him. That's why we are so happy that he is re-running, and we firmly believe he is an excellent candidate, thanks to his academic achievements, more than three years of experience within FYEG, strong communication skills, and his outstanding knowledge of law and international relations. His experience in both Turkey and Hungary makes him one of the few people with the depth of knowledge and experience needed to stand up against the rise of authoritarian populism, one of the most critical challenges we face today.

Serdar's motivation to re-run for the Executive Committee stems from his deep commitment to climate justice, human rights, and the intersectionality between them. He has witnessed firsthand the positive impact FYEG has on individuals and communities and is inspired by

FYEG's dedication to progressive change. He believes strongly in the power of collective action and is passionate about contributing to initiatives that address the climate crisis, migration, social inequalities, and human rights.

Given his impressive background and unwavering commitment, we believe Serdar is exceptionally well-suited to serve FYEG and its member organizations effectively. We wholeheartedly support his candidacy and kindly ask for your support at the General Assembly.

Please feel free to contact Serdar or me with any questions. We would be more than happy to provide further information.

Sincerely,

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