C1 Amy Winandy

Agenda item: 1. Candidates for Co-Spokesperson

Introduction

Dear green friends,

I am Amy (she/her) and I am very excited to be running for Co-Spokes of FYEG!

This last mandate on the FYEG EC gave me the insight of how to run our campaigns, support our MO's, and work as part of a creative team. I have gained an immensely good understanding of coordinating and working as a Co-Spokes in my Luxembourgish young greens for 2 years and now I want to continue my work in the FYEG EC as Co-spokes.



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I am ready to bring all my energy into FYEG and to keep pushing boundaries, fight for what WE believe in and keep our voices loud, from ALL our MO's, from all regions. I do not shy away from uncomfortable discussions and this is what we need FYEG to keep doing. I have so many more

aspirations, visions and causes I want us to fight for but let's take them step by step.

With care and motivation,

Amy Winandy

Supporters

Saúl Lara (Juventud Verde); Salih Tuna (Genç Yeşiller); Egle Olesk (Noored Rohelised); Emil Streif (Grüne Jugend (Germany); Maria Kola (Young Cyprus Greens); Alyson MacKay (Scottish Young Greens); Niklas Vaulanen (Vihreät Nuoret); Maxime Pantaleoni (Dei jonk greng); Ignasi Digón (Joves Ecosocialistes); Nora Axberg (Grön Ungdom); Lucie Hermans (Ecolo J); Axel Grima (Kollettiv Żgħażagħ EkoXellugin)



Candidate for Co-Spokesperson

Dear green fairies,

I am excited to run for the Co-Spokes positions in FYEG's Executive Committee this year together with Anja. Over the past mandate, we've worked on various campaigns and political processes within FYEG and together, we want to lead FYEG into the next chapter. In these last months I really learned the inside of FYEG, the sweat and tears that go into holding together this many Member Organisations and it brings me joy to be a part of this. It is with this energy and knowledge that I gathered that I want to continue the projects I have started and go further!

I am running again for Co-Spokesperson, this time not only with a vision but with experience, connection, and a deeper understanding of what it means to lead in FYEG. Having been the Co-Spokes of our Luxembourgish young greens for two years, showed me the real world of politics and taught me skills it takes to lead a Committee. Being on the FYEG EC this year taught me the responsibility for more than one organisation and country and widened my understanding of our common struggles even more.

As regional responsible for our West MO's together with Ben, working on campaigns and communications with Anja, organising the Young Greens Decentralised Training with Marta, I got to be part of organising the experiences that shape this federation, helping FYEG stay bold, relevant, and community-driven. In my mandate as EC member, I focused on both grounding and reaching: grounding our work in intersectional feminist values, and reaching out to Member Organisations to listen, to connect, and to strategise.

Rest is resistance

In a system that profits from our exhaustion, choosing to rest is a radical act. It's how we protect our energy, sustain our movements, and show that we're in this for the long haul. Balance over burnout. Choosing when to take a step back and when to step up. Moving to Brussels in September and working freelance is giving me the much needed space in life to dedicate time into a leading position. I don't want to lead with exhaustion, I want to lead with passion and care. Care is what makes us Greens so special, each and every one of us care so deeply about people, nature, the climate, and <u>we need to hold onto this care.</u>

Part of our balance is to have fun. Politics is a very serious field where difficult topics need to be discussed, but what we can't forget is to have a balance, to have fun and to enjoy being the YOUTH political organisation. Having this <u>great mixture and balance of progressive work and fun</u> with amazing people is something that I want FYEG to continue to be. It is only with balance that we can keep up our mental health and continue our fight for a safer future.



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Anger sparks action

Anger shows us what we care about. It's the fire that wakes us up, the fuel that gets us moving. Living in a world where so many crises are happening all at once and where we are confronted with them at all times can be draining. As youth green parties, I don't need to tell you the urgency of which we need to combat the climate crisis, wars and inequalities, but we together need to tell the world! As greens, we are constantly battling against conspiracy theorists, fascists and in general green-hating people. Another battle to fight. But we chose this party because we believe that change is possible. After all, only together can we be the change. The <u>knowledge, love and support FYEG offers</u> can be the first step towards this change. It is normal to be overwhelmed at times when one crisis haunts the other, but if we tackle them step by step together, we will see changes.

Radical softness

We're done pretending we have to be hard to be taken seriously. Softness is not weakness. It's a political choice to stay open, kind, and vulnerable in a world that tries to shut us down.

My vision for FYEG is one of strategic radicalism and emotional sustainability. We are not only here to be heard in the institutions, we're here to build power outside of them, too. With programs like our decentralised training or the grants that we give to MOS, we are <u>strengthening FYEG's grassroots connections, deepening our campaign work, and pushing</u> for a more horizontal way of working.

As a queer feminist, I know that pushing for radical softness in a patriarchal capitalist system is hard. With my master's in gender studies, I gained an intersectional feminist lens that can be challenging in this world, but it also improves situations where more inclusivity is needed, even in institutions where it seems to be inclusive already. To me, equal rights should not be a discussion. It is not only bringing it up in discussions, but it is an essential part of planning, speaking, listening, teaching and <u>every angle of politics and everyday life</u>.

Being aware of privileges is also a step towards equality. I am aware of the privileges I have and am here to use them for more equal rights. This can look like using a platform or privilege to amplify the voices of those who are often unheard or overlooked. Advocating for policies and legislation that promote equality and address systemic disparities. Crises are emotional, and genocides are. That's why we need to talk about them. In times of crises and genocides we should stick to each other even more. Work with people you know and trust.



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Call beyond borders

We don't win alone, and we don't lose alone. It's in community, in care, in tension, in solidarity, that our strength grows. My vision on the role of a European political youth organisation is what FYEG already is, but reinforce it. Lead and engage with MOs based on their specific needs and realities: Help larger MOs sustain momentum and grow through member retention. Support smaller or emerging MOs in building solid bases. It is supporting each other through differences. What we want as political youth organisations is systematic change, and this change IS possible if we work together. All MO's have such a diverse range of experiences and knowledge that it is time to connect and share this with other MO's. Accessibility and communication are key, and I will continue to bridge these connections.

Coming from Luxembourg, I have grown up in a Europe where borders barely exist, and especially now we need to push for these free borders, everywhere! I have had the privilege of representing the Luxembourgish Young Greens and Greens at various European Green Party Congresses, connecting with many different Greens and sharing ideas. These experiences have broadened my understanding of global environmental and social issues and have shown me a sense of global citizenship. My vision for FYEG includes all MO's from all regions as much as possible, and creating even more of a community feeling.

We shouldn't shy away from uncomfortable discussions about privilege, discrimination, and inequality. Engaging in dialogue can help raise awareness and change mindsets. Pushing boundaries can be hard, stepping out of your comfort zone, and asking difficult questions. But this is what we need if we want to change. This is what I bring.

And at the same time, I want us to stop and appreciate what we have achieved so far. To make room for softness in our hard fights. Balance over burnout remains my political compass. We are not machines, we are human beings in a community, and our community is one of FYEG's greatest strengths.

I have a million more aspirations, visions and causes I want us to fight for, but for now, this shall be my resume. I am excited about the opportunity to become the next FYEG Co-Spokesperson and to work another year with a wonderful EC.

I want to co-lead FYEG with care, creativity, and courage. I want to grow our political reach and our emotional depth. And I want to do it all with you.

With care and excitement, Amy Winandy

Amy's visions for FYEG in short points.

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- Keep grounding FYEG's work in intersectional feminist values, ensuring every political stance considers systems of power and exclusion. Bring inclusion into every angle of politics and everyday life; access, language, care, and representation.
- Have a horizontal way of working: decisions are made collectively, throught transparency & openness where people feel safe to speak up, ask questions, and take initiative.
- Lead and engage with MOs based on their specific needs and realities: Help larger MOs sustain momentum and grow through member retention. Support smaller or emerging MOs in building solid bases.
- Foster MO-to-MO solidarity, encouraging knowledge-sharing (e.g. event organising, election campaigning, volunteer care).
- Keep conversations going about important topics (Palestine, Ukraine, climate justice, and beyond).
- Keep FYEG visible, loud, and emotionally resonant.
- Continuing my work on our campaigns to <u>Save Civil Society</u>, Putting an <u>End to Fast Fashion</u> and <u>Standing up for Activists</u>. Expanding our campaigns to cover more of the issues that matter to you and to speak truth directly to power.

Amy Winandy

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What I did this mandate



Young Greens Decentralised Training, organised by Me and Marta, Brussels April 2025



Support by Anja < 3





West region responsible < 3



worked on important comms and campaigns

raised awareness and got us 1.2 million views hehe

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EDUCATION

03 / 2022 - 12/ 2024 Master of Arts in Gender Studies University of Vienna

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LANGUAGES

Luxembourgish	-	Native
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English	-	C2
French	-	C1
Dutch	-	A1

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GREEN EXPERIENCE

2021 – 2022 Particular - 2022 Political Youth Party Luxembourg

03 / 2022 – 02/2024 Co - Spokesperson of déi jonk gréng Political Youth Party Luxembourg

03/2022 – 03/2025 International responsible of déi jonk gréng Political Youth Party Luxembourg

08/ 2023 – 10/2023 📻 Green Party Communication Team Political Party Luxembourg

06 / 2023 & 10 / 2023 Candidate in local and national elections Green Party Luxembourg

10 / 2024 - TODAY Executive Comitee Gender Council Green Party Luxembourg

08/2024 – TODAY CONTERNATION OF EUROPEAN YOUNG GREENS Executive Comitee FYEG Federation of european young greens • West region responsible

- Campaigns and comms
- Young Greens Decentralised Training

04/2025 – TODAY Communication Manager ComingOut NGO



RÉUNION DU COMITÉ EXÉCUTIF

Dear Federation of Young European Green,

Hereby we would like to express our deepest support for Amy Winandys application as Co-Spokesperson for FYEG 2025/2026.

Amy was the co-speaker of the Luxembourg Young Greens for two years 2022-2024. In this significant role, she has been responsible for representing the youth's environmental concerns, coordinating with other members, and spearheading various green initiatives that aim to foster a sustainable future for Luxembourg. Her dedication and leadership skills have played a crucial role in amplifying the voice of the younger generation in environmental matters.

Amy has pursued a comprehensive academic background in gender studies, equipping her with in-depth knowledge and a profound understanding of gender dynamics, issues, and their implications in various socio-cultural contexts. Amy has been actively involved in discussions, policymaking, and initiatives aimed at fostering gender equity.

Being on the FYEG EC, Amy is deeply dedicated to Green values and has shown significant support for FYEG initiatives. Her proactive approach, optimistic mindset, and creative work ethic will enhance future FYEG projects. We are confident that she possesses the drive and passion to further the mission of FYEG in the upcoming year, positively impacting the organization's future endeavors.

With her skills and personal qualities, her knowledge about and contacts within the international green movement, and her past engagement and experiences with FYEG, we wholeheartedly support Amy's application as Co-Spokes for FYEG.

If you have any questions or wish to have further information, please do not hesitate to contact me by writing to maxime.pantaleoni@gmail.com

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