

**To: International Union of Socialist Youth**

**Letter of motivation for my candidacy on a position of IUSY Secretary General**

Dear Comrades,

I would like to present my candidacy to the position of IUSY Secretary General.

I have been elected as IUSY Vice President for two mandates. In IUSY I was in charge of coordinating IUSY Black Sea Area Cooperation (2012-2016) and IUSY Feminist Working Group (2012-2014). During 2016-2018 I have been member of IUSY Control Commission. During all these years being the part of IUSY family was the greatest experience and challenge for me; those were the years of learning, fighting for our values, meeting different people from all over the world and forming our present and future together.

After finishing two successful mandates as the member of IUSY Presidium, and also being involved in the work of Control Commission for past two years, gave me very deep understanding on how IUSY works. It is one of the oldest and biggest political youth organisation in the world, that unites us – young socialists and social-democrats from different parts of the world who are keen and able to change the world.

The diversity we have in IUSY is one of the most important assets of the organisation that creates very unique atmosphere in IUSY. It requires hard work and good organisational skills to make our organisation more efficient for members of IUSY, to strengthen the grassroots, to make our work more relatable to a local contexts, to campaign better and louder for our values are one of the main issues we need to focus on in IUSY. We need to organise ourselves better through delivering our values by more active international solidarity, we should push through our member organisations to put our topics on political agenda and mainstream our policies. With the challenges we face nowadays it is not an easy task to do but by standing strong together and fighting for truly equal society I believe that IUSY is the right place and platform from where we can make a difference.

I hope on you support in this struggle for justice and equality and with full of confidence in my ability to take this responsibility, I express my willingness to run for the position of Secretary General of International Union of Socialist Youth.

With socialist regards,

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