



## Nomination of Minetu Larabas Sueidat (UJSARIO) for IUSY African Vice President

The Saharawi Youth Union, UJSARIO, is pleased to announce the nomination of Minetu Larabas Sueidat for the position of the African Vice President in the IUSY.

Minetu is a longstanding active member of the Saharawi Youth Union (UJSARIO). She has been a champion of gender equality in Saharawi society, and has been a strong voice promoting the engagement of young people in politics, in particular girls and young women. Her commitment to the values of democracy, social justice and above all promoting feminist values in the Saharawi society has made her a distinguished voice and inspiration for many young women today.

Despite the difficult circumstances that Saharawi youth has lived in for the past decades in exile, Minetu has been a powerful voice for her people and those who are oppressed around the globe. Minetu has participated in a wide range of international platforms such as the UNAOC Summer School in New York. Furthermore she has written many articles on the situation of the Sahrawi people.

Minetu is prominent young leader who lead a youth group to promote voluntarism in the refugee camps. With her active role in UJSARIO, Minetu initiated several projects, and led several workshops that were both important and innovative on feminism and human rights. Internationally she has played a crucial role in establishing new partnerships for UJSARIO.

Minetu has participated widely in IUSY events. Her international work with UJSARIO and other international NGOs in refugee camps has given her a unique first-hand experience with working in multicultural and diverse environments.

In international platforms Minetu has used her strong commitment to her work for her people to spread more knowledge about Sahrawi youth and the challenges facing them in the refugee camps.

UJSARIO is convinced that Minetu will be able to demonstrate her strong efforts to better the work of the IUSY and to contribute with new and fresh ideas for the IUSY. UJSARIO is thrilled and excited at the prospect of having one of its most active members again in the IUSY.

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