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INTERNATIONAL UNION OF SOCIALIST YOUTH



IUSY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

CONTACT INFORMATION

1. Full name of the organization (both in original language and in English)
Youth of Social Democrats of Montenegro
2. Abbreviated name of the organization
Omladina Socijaldemokrata Crne Gore
3. Country of origin
Montenegro
4. Region of origin
Western Balkans
5. Date of establishment
August 31 st , 2015.
6. Address of the headquarters
Džordža Vašingtona 27/2
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9. Website (URL)

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ORGANIZATIONAL INFO

10. What are the main bodies of the organization?

[Please define the electoral procedure, number of people elected, quotas based on certain criteria – if applicable]

Congress is the main body and is held once in two years. It consists of delegates from each municipality, and number of delegates for each municipality depends on several criteria such as number of members, results on last elections etc. Congress chooses President, Vice Presidents, President and two members of Statutory commission and Main board. After the Congress, President proposes and Main board chooses Presidium, Secretary General and members of Secretariat General.

11. When was the last Congress held?

February 21st, 2016.

12. President

Ahmed Zajmović

13. Secretary General

Aida Kerović



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14. International Representative
Mira Radović
15. Feminist Coordinator
Elida Korać
16. LGBT / Queer Coordinator
Zilha Zajmović
17. Number of members
1125
18. Age limit and average age
Age limit is 30, and the average age is 25
19. How many regions of the country does the organization cover with its branches? <i>[Please name them]</i>
All three regions of the country (southern, central and northern)



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ACTIVITIES & POLITICAL AGENDA

20. What are the political aims/objectives of your organization?

To create modern and developed society that shares European and Euro-Atlantic values and most important social democratic principles and ideas. To educate young people and mobilize them in order to achieve the greater acceptance of our principles and make sure that young people are adequately represented in all areas of social life.

21. What are the organizational aims/objectives of your organization?

To create strong youth organization which activities are aimed in building prosperous, educated young people and in developing policies that will improve the status of youth in Montenegro.

22. What are your main fields of activity?

We work in fields of human rights, democracy, social democracy, EU and NATO integration, education, volunteerism, career mentoring, culture, sport, international and regional cooperation.

23. What have been your political priorities in the last two years?

We have been working on strengthening the position, education and awareness of young people in Montenegro, promoting social democratic principles and human rights protection and protection of vulnerable and minority groups.

24. Do you organise campaigns? On which topics?

Yes, topics about our political system and role of young people in it, EU integration, rule of law, actual political topics in our country etc. Also, we had a campaign about "Partnership for dynamic economic development", which is a part of our Party program, held in all municipalities in Montenegro. The goal was to let people know which measures are essential in order to reduce unemployment, particularly youth unemployment and to promote our vision of economic development of Montenegro.

25. Do you organise seminars? On which topics?

Yes, mainly political ones, but also seminars about political communication, human rights, women and LGBT rights etc.



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26. Does your organization have representative(s) in the Parliament?

No, but we have high level of participation of youth in Party bodies, and are sure that, since this is election year, we will have significant percentage of young people in our electoral list.

27. What are the organizations in your country you co-operate with? (I.e. youth/ students'/ trade unions/ feminist)

We cooperate mostly with NGO, student and feminist unions and also youth organizations of other political parties

28. Are there any other youth organizations in your country considered on the left side of the political spectrum?

[If yes, please indicate the names, the level of cooperation and examples of such cooperation]

Youth Council of Democratic party of socialists of Montenegro, and Social Democratic Youth of Montenegro

29. Is there a national youth council in your country?

[If yes, please indicate your role]

No



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POLITICAL & ORGANIZATIONAL CONTEXT

No
30. Do you have cooperation with youth organizations from other countries?
Yes, with many youth political organizations from the Western Balkans
31. Do you have a mother party? What are the relations between your organization and the party? (<i>In terms of status, administration, policy</i>)
Social Democrats of Montenegro. Our members may but don't have to be members of SD, since we have separate bodies, Statute and Program. However, they have to respect basic rules of the organization as well as the main principles our Party is established on.
32. When were the last elections held? Did your organization participate in a campaign? <i>[If yes, please indicate: with what message? was it the same as the party's one?]</i>
We participated in local elections, on April 17, 2016 in Tivat. Also, majority of our members participated in several election campaigns held in previous years, including the last Parliamentary elections held in 2012 as well as the last local elections held in fourteen municipalities held in 2014.
33. Can you describe the political situation in your country? What is the composition of the Left? How much does the Left receive in the polls?
This is electoral year. Parliamentary elections will be held in October. For the past few months Government has been negotiating with opposition to make them a part of the Government in order to regain the trust into electoral process. The result was successful. Government is mostly consisted of left wing parties, and the opposition is mostly right side. Fact that Montenegro got invitation for NATO membership and that Montenegro in that same period opened two new chapters in EU membership negotiations, which means after three and a half years of negotiations, it opened 22 chapters, speaks the best for the fact that situation in Montenegro is democratic and stable.
34. Is there more than one left wing party in your country? <i>[If yes, please describe the differences among the parties and indicate whether there is a prospect of a united Left]</i>



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Social democrat party

Democratic party of socialist

35. Any additional comments

Youth of Social Democrats is youth organization within Social Democrats of Montenegro (SD) that was formed by majority of the members of the Social Democratic Party of Montenegro (SDP) when we, after long period of disagreements, decided to separate on last Congress of that party. In that regard we have to emphasize that most of our members participated in many national elections and have cooperated directly or indirectly with you and others organizations.

Thanks for filling in the application!

Please send it to iusy@iusy.org together with the other required information.