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## Youth of European Nationalities / Jugend Europäischer Volksgruppen

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### LETTER OF MOTIVATION

Dear YEN/JEV,

I would like to apply as a candidate for the Treasurer position of the Board of the Youth of European Nationalities at the General Assembly 2020.

My name is Martina Jazbec and I am part of the Slovene minority in Italy. I graduated in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Trieste and I am close to complete my master's degree at the University of Ljubljana, where I currently live. Beside that, I work in the field of industrial automation.

I got to know YEN in 2017, when MOSP hosted the Kick-off Seminar "Training Architects" in Trst/Trieste, Italy. That first experience convinced me to participate to the Eastern Seminar in Durrës, Albania, where I fully discovered what YEN is about. From the very first day I was amazed by the unique and multicultural atmosphere created by this group of young and motivated people from all over Europe. The workshops with the non-formal education approaches opened to me a new perspective of learning and gaining skills and at the same time gave me the opportunity to learn about other minorities and get to know them firsthand, as well as share experiences and opinions with my peers. All of the aforesaid made me realize how powerful the YEN network is and how much it can contribute to the personal development of young people, as it broadens their horizons, expands knowledge and information and increases the understanding of the society we live in.

I strongly believe that YEN can have a huge positive impact on the young generations and individuals living in a minority and for that reason I decided

to join the Board and run for the Treasurer position in 2019, since I wanted to be part of this amazing organisation and contribute to its cause. Moreover, I wanted to guarantee an active presence of the YEN among the youth of our minority.

Since I took over an ongoing mandate, I was only elected for one year. I really enjoyed working with the other wonderful Boardies and the Office, since they inspire me every day and motivate me to be active. In the last year I lived life experiences that made me realize that I want to be part of it for a bit longer - that is why I decided to rerun. I believe I got a good insight in the responsibilities of the Treasurer and I certainly gained many skills and the knowledge that will allow me to give a greater and better contribution to the organisation.

I am looking forward to the General Assembly and the YenElection!

Sincerely,

Martina Jazbec

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