



Invitation to the YEN General Assembly 2023

9 March 2023

**Dear Member Organisations, dear Supporting Members, dear Partners,
Dear Friends!**

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the annual **General Assembly (GA)**, which will take place in a hybrid form on **6 April 2023 in Oberwart, Austria starting at 09:30 am**. The General Assembly will take place in the bi-lingual school in Oberwart, Austria. To guarantee that delegates from every Member Organisation can participate, the General Assembly will take a **hybrid form**: attendance will be possible both in-person and online.

Along with this invitation we send you in the attachments the **decisions list** of the General Assembly held in April 2022 and the **draft agenda** that amongst others includes the following points:

Elections to the Board and Working Groups

This year, the positions regularly up for election to the Board are the **Vice-President for Internal Relations, Vice-President for External Relations, Convenor for Member Integration**.

Also, for the remaining year of the mandate 2022-2024 up for elections are the position of **Convenor for Minority Rights and Politics** and **Treasurer**. Please check the whole [election procedure](#) on our website.

Also, we are looking for an **Internal Auditor** (2023-2025) and for motivated young people who want to enrich the network and promote our activities and YEN through our **Working Groups**. Please encourage your members to sign up to be elected to one of our three Working Groups "**Communication**", "**Member Integration**" and "**Minority Rights and Politics**". Please use the following [official nomination form](#).



Call for events

The Membership of YEN can decide who will host our future events:

1. Easter Seminar 2024
2. Autumn Seminar 2024
3. Kick-Off Seminar 2025

A candidature of interested organisations must be made at this year's GA, otherwise these events will not take place!

If you are interested in hosting one of these events, please contact the Board (board@yeni.org) prior to the GA and hand in the candidature for the event in the form of a 2 minute video or a poster that will be uploaded to the GA-website.

Resolutions

We urge every Member Organisation that wishes the General Assembly to adopt a resolution to present it to the membership at the GA. By adopting a resolution, you can raise awareness of issues relevant to your minority or organisation and give YEN the opportunity to disseminate/strengthen that position at the European level.

During the GA, we will also discuss the **YEN-FUEN relations** in a larger context to address the issues raised by our Member Organisations, Pawk and SdU, and we will present and vote on YENs **Code of Conduct**.

Additional information:

The registration of delegates is open until **29 March**. Every Member Organisation can nominate up to three official delegates using [this form](#). All the votes of one **ordinary Member Organisation** should be held by one delegate, the two others will have the status as extra delegates. If an ordinary Member Organization cannot participate at the GA, please consider that according to the Rules of Procedure section D.5, for minorities who are represented by more than one organisation within YEN, the organisation is permitted to **transfer the votes** to the other organisation from the same minority who is able to attend and to vote on its behalf using [this form](#).

Furthermore, we would like to remind all Member Organisations who have not paid their **membership fee for 2023** yet, to pay the amount by 31 March at the latest, or if this is not



possible, to get in touch with our Vice-President for External Relations who took over also the Treasurer tasks, Christoph Graf (christoph.graf@yeni.org). In accordance with article E. 3 c. of the Rules of Procedure of YEN, for Ordinary Members who didn't react to any reminders regarding the membership fee could have the voting rights at the GA suspended. Extraordinary Members who didn't react to any reminders regarding the membership fee can be excluded from the GA.

In the coming weeks, the **GA-folder** with all necessary documents will be distributed to all YEN Member Organisations in a digital form so you have enough time to go through all the reports.

For any further aspects, we have created a [platform on our website](#) regarding the GA 2023 that will be updated regularly. Go and have a look - all the information, documents and candidatures for the Board & Working groups will be presented on this site!

It will be our great pleasure to welcome you all at the General Assembly 2023. We are looking forward to meeting you, to have an exchange of views and to discuss about the past year, but also to plan the future of the YEN network together. If you have any questions regarding registering your delegates or anything else, please contact the Board (board@yeni.org) or the Office (office@yeni.org) directly.

Best wishes,

Andor Barabás
President

Brussels (Belgium), 9 March 2023