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POSITION OVERVIEW

The WFUNA Youth Advisory Council is comprised of youth leaders from various regions around the world elected by youth delegates at WFUNA's 43rd Plenary Assembly.

The main role of the Youth Advisory Council is to advise WFUNA's Secretary General on youth issues, by brainstorming pragmatic, innovative and cost-effective programs for WFUNA's local, regional and global networks. They assist the Youth Program Officer in disseminating information about these programs to WFUNA's youth constituents.

A maximum of 9 participants and a minimum of 5 participants will be elected with consideration to regional representation. The Youth Advisory Council members will be elected from the following regions:

- Two representatives from Asia
- Two representatives from Africa
- Two representatives from Europe
- One representative from Oceania
- Two representatives from The Americas

RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibilities of the Youth Advisory Council include:

1. Advising WFUNA's Secretary General on youth issues
2. Assisting the Youth Program Officer in coordinating WFUNA's Youth Network, youth outreach, and overall strategy to youth issues in all our program areas for WFUNA's long-term engagement with youth.
3. Assisting the Youth Program Officer in facilitating WFUNA's participation in UN processes.
4. Coordinating the youth events held in conjunction with WFUNA's Plenary Assembly with the Youth Program Officer.
5. Helping organize youth capacity-building workshops. This includes facilitating future Youth Seminars in different regions.
6. Maintaining an active and innovative presence on our social networks as part of WFUNA's outreach to youth.
7. Working together with and supporting the youth projects and programs of UN Associations and UN Youth Associations around the world.
8. Fundraising for WFUNA's youth programs and activities.

WORKING METHODS

Working methods of the Youth Advisory Council include:

- Regular conference calls
- Face-to-face meetings with the Secretary-General and the Youth Program Officer
- Regular updates to the Youth Program Officer and the Secretary-General
- Use of online platforms such as Google Docs or Slack

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience with international youth program development and implementation
- Knowledge of the United Nations
- Civil society experience
- Experience in fundraising
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Experience using social media networks and media tools for outreach
- Fluency in English is required
- Applicants must receive a formal endorsement from his/her affiliated UNA or UNYA
- Capable of serving her/his full term as an elected member
- Be between ages 18-29

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

- High energy, results-oriented
- Self-starter
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Forthcoming, committed (able to invest an average of eight hours a month and willing to adapt/participate in meetings from different time zones)

CODE OF CONDUCT

The WFUNA Secretary-General can replace elected members of the WFUNA Youth Advisory Council in the case of inactivity or improper conduct.

ELECTIONS TIMELINE

- **Nominations close on October 20, 2023**
- **Elections take place on November 10, 2023**

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS RULES

- Only candidates nominated by the leadership of their affiliated UNA or UNYA will be considered for elections. Being elected to the Youth Advisory Council might involve international travel. UNAs and UNYAs should consider, whenever possible, financially supporting travel needs for their elected candidate.
- Only one candidate per UNA or UNYA can be nominated.
- Candidates must fill out the online candidacy form. The form must be accompanied by a signed confirmation letter from the UNA or UNYA endorsing the candidacy.
- Candidates must include a short bio and picture to be uploaded on our website after the complete application is received.
- Candidates are encouraged to record a 2-3 minutes video introducing themselves and the work they have done with their affiliated UNA or

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UNYA. They should also mention why they want to be part of the WFUNA Youth Advisory Council. Although recording a video is not mandatory, it is strongly encouraged. The video will be uploaded on our website.

- **Candidates do not necessarily have to be present at the Plenary Assembly to be considered for elections.**
- **At the moment of elections (at the 43rd Plenary Assembly), only one vote per UNA present at the Plenary Assembly AND represented by at least one Youth Delegate will be permitted.**

CANDIDACY FORM

To put forth your candidacy, please complete the candidacy form [here](#).