



### CANDIDATES – NATIONAL LEVEL

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<b>Najib Obaid Babakerkhail</b>	French Refugee Council
<b>Roos Demol</b>	International Community Dynamics
<b>Adel Baba El Mokhtari</b>	CODENAF
<b>Arine Huijboom</b>	Netwerkpro
<b>Razan Ismail</b>	Asociación Kudwa
<b>Elie Pierre Kanda Mukuna</b>	African Diaspora Youth Network/Netherlands
<b>Karla Kästner</b>	migration_miteinander e.V.
<b>Rudi Osman</b>	Union des étudiants exiles
<b>Fawzie Rehejeh</b>	Arabic Cultural Center, Romania
<b>Syrine Rekhis</b>	The Young Republic

**Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level**

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Najib Obaid Babakerkhail</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	French Refugee Council	
<b>Function:</b>	Founder & Director	
<b>Country:</b>	France	
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.frenchrefugeecouncil.com">www.frenchrefugeecouncil.com</a>	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	Since 2013	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

**Please state networks that your organisation belongs to/ established partnerships with other organisations (if any).**

How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

French Refugee Council has a refugee-led organization has partnership with more than 25 refugee-led organization in more than 25 countries. There are a number of physical and online meetings with members and networks on monthly basis. Our main members are in France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Netherland, Austria, Romania, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Greece, Portugal, Turkey etc. AT the national level, RC with its vast network of volunteers directly work with the asylum seekers and refugees to ensure they have stronger and more influential voice and can contribute with their expertise to smoothen their integration in their host communities. FRC is working towards creating a basis for refugees to share their knowledge and experience and advocates for their inclusion both at the national and European level. FRC is supported by a dedicated team of 480 volunteers all over France by offering practical support and advice to asylum seekers and refugee throughout their journey in France and offer a helping hand to support and empower them to rebuild their lives.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

French Refugee Council is a refugee led initiative and has long advocated for authentic voices of refugees, where refugees campaign for themselves and being apart of such important platforms help us bridge refugees and migrants with policy maker. Under the platform of French Refugee Council, I have been struggling so that refugees have access to education, employment opportunities, legal information and can have economic contribution in their host communities. I have spoken in a number events and conference with a slogan to involve and talk to refugee before deciding for them. We are present on the ground and as grassroot organization or as a community based network, we have a rich source of information and resources that I will happily share with the forum in order to use those best practices to help empower other initiatives and projects led by refugees or migrants.

In case, I enjoy the confidence of everyone and become a member of the forum bureau, I will make sure that refugee led organization and network become more visible in such important forum and to make sure that their voices and recommendation reach the decision-making level and find ways to improve their capacities.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Roos Demol</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	International Community Dynamics CLG t.a. Recruit refugees Ireland	
<b>Function:</b>	CEO	
<b>Country:</b>	Ireland	
<b>Website:</b>	www. Internationalcommunitydynamics.org. www.recruitrefugees.ie	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	2017, registered since 2020	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details) We are a social enterprise and are applying for charity number, we are in the not-for-profit sector

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How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

International Community Dynamics (ICD) has partnered with the **Africa Solidarity Centre** in Dublin.

We are a member of the **Anna Lindh Foundation** and the **The Cork City of Sanctuary Movement** and **Places of Sanctuary Movement**.

We collaborate with the **Irish Refugee Council**, **Doras**, the refugee support agency, **Open Doors Initiative**, working for equality and inclusion in the workplace, **An Cosan**, the virtual community College, **Business in the Community Initiative**, **Create Sound**, **Arts for All**, **Cork Migrants Centre**, **Nasc** The **Dublin Committee of the Horn of Africa Community** and many educational institutions such as **UCC and ETB**.

We are a member of **the asylum network** in Ireland, led by the Irish Refugee Council, and **INAR**, Irish Network Against Racism.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

My 9 years of working in the field of migration and asylum have given me the energy and the hope to be part of a Europe that treats displaced people and other migrants with the dignity and respect they deserve.

I have been closely involved with people seeking protection and I have seen and felt the issues facing this group.

I have experience in broadcasting, in an online radio programme for and about migrants, moving on to helping those living in refugee centres in Ireland (Direct Provision centres), helping them to regain confidence, using their own knowledge and culture to enrich their hosting country, while also absorbing the local cultures and thriving within.

When I see the challenges faced by refugees, International Protection Applicants and migrants, especially now that the number of each group has soared in Ireland, (still a small number compared to many other countries) and the neglect of newly arrived International Protection Applicants and of Afghan refugees who are still awaiting decisions on their immigration cases, I cannot just stand by. I feel that we must speak up about injustices and collaborate with other groups to improve conditions for everyone, regardless of where they come from.

In our organisation we have focused on building bridges between the migrants and the Irish society through positive actions. We have done this through music, sports and currently through an employment agency.

This has given us a deep insight into the needs to make Ireland and Europe a place where everyone has equal opportunities.

Advocacy has been and still is of major importance.

I hope to become part of a European network of organisations and people who will share best practices and brainstorm for a better and more humane system of migration, and to be part of a system that can guide decision makers in the right direction.

My main aims are:

- Making sure every young migrant has access to education, many young IPAs cannot access 3<sup>rd</sup> level education yet. It is our duty to make sure that every young person can thrive. It is very counterproductive not to let every young person enjoy the same opportunities.
- Creating awareness and understanding of migrants and International Protection Applicants among the Irish population and sharing ideas and practices with European organisations.
- Ensuring the proper understanding of issues of mental health challenges as a consequence of migration trauma and institutionalisation in refugee centres and advising on ways to address these issues.
- Ensure the fair and equal treatment of all refugees, regardless of their background, religion, or country of origin.

Being a Member of the Asylum Network in Ireland, set up by the Irish refugee Council. I can report to the network on important findings of the Forum, and equally report to the Forum on what is happening in Ireland.

I am closely connected to other refugee organisations for Ukrainians, Afghans ad Syrians and will equally report to them and get feedback from them to report to the Forum.

Being fluently tri-lingual (Dutch, English and French) with good notions of Spanish and German and beginning knowledge of Swahili will help me with ensuring good communication between various stakeholders.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Adel Baba El Mokhtari</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	Asociación Codenaf – Cooperación Y Desarrollo Con El Norte De África	
<b>Function:</b>	President	
<b>Country:</b>	Spain	
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.codenaf.org/">http://www.codenaf.org/</a>	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	1996	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

**Please state networks that your organisation belongs to/established partnerships with other organisations (if any).**

How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

CODENAF, Cooperation and Development with North Africa, is a pioneer non-profit institution in Spain, established in 1996. Pioneer because it is one of the first and most solid associations founded and managed by immigrants. Its mission is divided into two areas of action: intervention with immigrants and the work of Development Cooperation with North Africa.

**SOCIAL SECURITY AND MIGRATION**

- ANDALUSIAN FORUM FOR THE INTEGRATION OF PEOPLE OF MIGRANT ORIGIN. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL INCLUSION, YOUTH, FAMILIES AND EQUALITY - REGIONAL GOVERNMENT OF ANDALUSIA.

Having the common goal of improving the quality of life of immigrants, we are open to interacting with any entity in the member states to achieve the inclusion of these people in all strata of society, learning and sharing both success stories and failure.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

From CODENAF we can contribute to the Forum:

- 1- Being an association of immigrants and of immigrant origin, which makes us subjects and objects of any immigration policy that is going to be proposed at the level of European countries.
- 2-our trajectory as an association of the oldest and most solid (more than 25 years).
- 3- our location in a geographical area, the door of Europe.
- 4- our originality as an entity in terms of structure and organization model. We combine immigration and international cooperation for development (co-development).
- 5- our daily and continuous treatment with the immigrant population of different nationalities (more than 45 different countries).

6- our active participation in all forums and platforms at the national, regional and local levels related to the world of migration.

All this allows us to have a very broad vision of the migratory reality and that can contribute a lot to this forum so that the diagnosis of the issue is as realistic as possible to be successful in making future decisions.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Arine Huijboom</b>	<b>Ms</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	Foundation Netwerkpro	
<b>Function:</b>	Director	
<b>Country:</b>	The Netherlands	
<b>Website:</b>	www.netwerkpro.org	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	2014	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

**Please state networks that your organisation belongs to/ established partnerships with other organisations (if any).**

I have over 20 years' experience working in the field of migration, asylum and integration. Since 2014 I implement empowering projects for women from various cultural backgrounds. The projects can be at local, national or EU level. Hence, we have built an extensive EU network (11 countries). I belong to many EU networks 1,600+ LI

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I really believe the interaction of the different organisations at the Forum results in great knowledge sharing and new insights. As a member of the Forum Bureau I would like to focus on communication after Forum meetings, to ensure the Forum outcomes are even more visible and accessible, and can be really embedded in policies and programmes across Europe and become best practice. Also, I would like to use my role as a Forum Bureau member to ensure the participants in the Forum's meetings become a real community, and continue to exchange ideas and innovate beyond the yearly meetings. I am a great networker with a large European network, and really believe we should have a European approach to improving migration integration. I am an energetic and positive person, and thrive on finding creative innovative solutions to existing challenges. Furthermore, I can bring my good organisation skills to the Forum Bureau, as well as my twenty-plus years' experience from the field. In 2014 I started my own organisation, Netwerkpro, to guide (migrant) women to an autonomous future. For this, I developed a program that uses a combination of training and coaching to empower the participants and make them part of a business network. Since 2019 Netwerkpro has developed several European projects and by doing this a long-wished dream came true; to be a European female social entrepreneur.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Razan Ismail</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	Asociación Kudwa	
<b>Function:</b>	Founder and Director	
<b>Country:</b>	Spain	
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="https://www.kudwa.org/">https://www.kudwa.org/</a>	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	2020	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

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How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

Networks:  
 Anna Lindh Foundation Network in Spain  
 Working group on Migration in Lafede.cat - organitzacions per a la justícia global  
 Coordinadora Obrim Fronteras  
 The Consell Municipal d'Immigració in Barcelona  
 Ashoka HelloSpain  
 We have meaningful partnerships with IEMed which is the head of the ALF Spain network, Autonomous University of Barcelona, University of Barcelona, Bayt Al Athaqafa, PorCausa, and many more

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We are a grassroots organization with few resources. joining the bureau would promote further engagement and representation of grassroots and migrant and refugee-led organizations. We would utilise our resources to bring different migrant-led orgs together and support their advocacy levels. The situation in Spain is headed in the same direction as Italy and we aim to utilise all resources we have towards changing the narratives on a national level.

Also, as Kudwa, our top value is Gender Equality. We can bring this intersectional lens to the work of the bureau. We are created and led by migrant women who come from patriarchal cultures. We, as migrant women, can set an example and be role models for others, as well as lead the sensitive discussion and find the balance between multiculturalism and human, women and LGBTQIA rights and approach negative social control which is being ignored by many states.

Being based in Spain and one of few migrant-led organizations involved on a European Level, our contribution to the Bureau is to build trust and connections with the different regional and local level

organizations and promote their involvement on a European Level.

Spain context in migration is quite complex and they suffer from weaponization and politicization of migration. I believe that by being a part of the Bureau, we will provide an intersectional and grassroots lens to the work of the bureau that will be able to bring many organizations together to contribute to the forum and tackle these issues with the help and support of the bureau.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Elie Pierre Kanda Mukuna</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	African Diaspora Youth Network/Netherlands	
<b>Function:</b>	Chairperson	
<b>Country:</b>	The Netherlands	
<b>Website:</b>	www.adynenetherlands.nl	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	2013	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

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How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

ADYNE Netherlands is Dypall Network's member organisation. Given DYPALL Network has member organisations in almost all EU Member state, each year there is a call for member organisation to appoint individual that will take part in the steering group out of which seven will be elected to compose this body. Indeed, the Steering group is an important body responsible for the guidance and governance of our Network.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

I have been actively engaged in advocacy for migrant integration and participant on national and European level as a board member of ADYNE International for three years. As national chairperson of this EU Migrant – led platform, I take part in elaborating methods and tools that foster the integration, participation, and advocacy for migrant populations in the Netherlands and Europe under the Erasmus Plus programme. Besides, I am a certified trainer, learning Specialist, and hold a master's degree with two specialisation in Transitional Justice and Migrations and Human (in)Security with outstanding academic research skills; I have been involved in various training and capacity-building of teams and individuals in Europe, primarily in Latvia, Germany, France, Greece, Portugal, and Finland through the DYPALL Network on matters that engage the organization's mission and vision and validates and signs contracts with third organizations/individuals on various activities to be executed by the professionals. My contribution would be to foster hand-in-hand work with former immigrants and refugees to volunteer and support newcomers to integrate into their hosting society through sharing best practices because former migrants, in this process, can play a substantial role as bridge builders between newcomers and institutions.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Karla Kästner</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	migration_miteinander e.V. / moveurope	
<b>Function:</b>	Legal representative, board member; project coordinator; international networker	
<b>Country:</b>	Germany	
<b>Website:</b>	www.migrationmiteinander.de	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	April 2017	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

**Please state networks that your organisation belongs to/ established partnerships with other organisations (if any).**

How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

Our organisation currently has 35 association members, represented by a board composed of 4 young women, including Mrs. Karla Kästner. The members of the association are mainly living in Germany, many of them being internationals, some of them living in different EU member states. However, and more importantly, our organisation has build a strong European Network throughout the last 5 years. In 2020, we created 20 local groups of young people in Spain, Italy, Greece, Austria, Germany, France and Belgium. These local groups were supporting mainly our moveurope! programme activities which is to promote (youth) mobility of young refugees in Europe. Some of these groups became so called "mobility Hubs" in their country. Today we have mobility hubs that represent moveurope! in Spain (Arenas de San Pedro, Madrid), in France (Grenoble), in Italy (Bologna, Rome) and in Germany. Furthermore, our organisation has around 50 fix partner organisations all around Europe with whom we conduct regularly KA1, KA2 or other projects in the field of youth training and mobility, research and strategic partnerships. Currently, we have 7 employees (part time) and a group of 5 volunteers/interns. Our team is young and international.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

I would like to give young refugees and migrants that are part of our network or that I work with a voice. Being a member of the Bureau, I will advocate for their needs and bring up the challenges they are facing as newcomers in Europe. My focus hereby is in particular on the European level: how can we

together improve the European Asylum and Migration Policies today? What are innovative approaches that can really improve the life of – in particular young (18-35) – asylum seekers, refugees and migrated people? What about cross-border mobility for them?

At the same time, as a young European citizen with 8 years of experience in the migration field (work, volunteering, studies) in Germany, Italy, France and Spain, I would like to represent as well the point of view of a young European and the challenges of host associations when it comes to reception and integration of migrated people. In particular I can share my experience as an Integration Manager working with refugees in Germany and my work with migrated people in Italy, my experience with non-accompanied minors in Sicily and Bolonga (Italy); I have been part of European activist movements for migrants rights, such as Carovana Abriendo Fronteras and Carovana Migranti; and for sure, my commitment and work for migration\_miteinander, an association that I founded in 2017 with other young people and where I am besides of my role as legal representative and project coordinator also responsible for our legal help desk and case management and support and inform young people in Europe about their mobility rights and opportunities and the current migration policies.

Moreover, I would like to advocate for a reform of the European Asylum System and also on National German level for some structural change (f.ex. abolish/change German Residence Act 19f excluding young people holding international protection in a European member state from ESC voluntary service, studies etc in Germany). My association is part of the Erasmus+ NA German Inclusion and Diversity group where we already advocate for that aim.

This opportunity would moreover give me the important opportunity to learn and to grow, in particular when it comes to advocacy, European policy and how to deal with politicians and important representatives on European level. I am responsible for networking and I like to connect with new people; this opportunity would allow me to meet many different people, from NGOs, policy makers to the target group, understand their needs and get a better understanding of which action can be useful for whom.

I am looking for a new challenge and would be eager to assume this important role. Last but not least, it would enrich our association's work, networks and impact on different levels, I believe. The people we work with and my team and partners would benefit, I believe, of the role at the Forum Bureau, as well.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Rudi Osman</b>	<b>Mr</b>
<b>Organisation:</b>	UEE – Union des étudiants exiles	
<b>Function:</b>	Fondature	
<b>Country:</b>	France	
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="https://uniondesetudiantsexiles.org">https://uniondesetudiantsexiles.org</a>	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	2018	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

**Please state networks that your organisation belongs to/ established partnerships with other organisations (if any).**

How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

The UEE is an organization created by and for exiled people in 2016, which works to defend the right of exiled people to access the higher education and improve their conditions of study.

In order to realize this objective, the UEE works and collaborates with the following actors

- DIAIR: Interministerial Delegation for the reception and integration of refugees
- UNHCR France
- MENS's – Migrants in Higher Education – network: gathering 62 public higher education institutions
- JRS France
- GTF Global Task Force on Third Country Education Pathways
- ANVITA l'Association Nationale des Villes et Territoires Accueillants.
- Emmaus Solidarity
- ESU European student's Union
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To date, the UEE is the only organization created by and for exiled people working in the field of access to higher education in France. We aim to share our expertise with other actors at national and European level and to develop support, advocate and exchange with other actors working in the field of asylum.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

As an association of exiled and as refugee we want to share our knowledge and experiences in working on this topic, to learn and know more about the experiences of other actors in Europe and the obstacles they face, as well as to elaborate and develop relevant proposals and solutions and of course to extend our reach and identify partners at the European level, finally, it is to launch European initiatives to ensure access to the right to education.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Fawzie Rehejeh</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Ms</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	Arabic Cultural Center, Romania		
<b>Function:</b>	President		
<b>Country:</b>	Romania		
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://centrulculturalarab.com">http://centrulculturalarab.com</a>		
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	September 2021		
<b>Your organisation represents the NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)	

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How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

The Arabic Cultural Center (Romania) has established institutional partnerships with UNHCR Romania, the Romanian Peace Institute, and the Romanian National Council for Refugees. We plan to form new partnerships with NGOs from other member states active in migration integration. (max 300 characters)

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

As a Syrian immigrant in a UE member state (Romania), I consider myself a multiple minority: I am first a migrant in a foreign society, secondly a woman in a male-dominated world, and thirdly a Muslim in a secularized community shaped by Christian values. I believe that the voices of immigrant minorities such as myself need to be present and heard within the European Migration Forum.

I have developed organizational know-how and networking skills in organizing the Arabic Cultural Festival in Sibiu, Romania, a festival that promoted intercultural dialogue and the sociocultural integration of migrants. I am more than willing to put my skills to use for contributing to the organization of the EMF as a member of the Forum Bureau.

As founder and President of the Arabic Cultural Center (Romania), I have had the opportunity to work and collaborate with numerous public institutions and NGOs at the local and national level. Efficient communication and interpersonal trust are the cornerstones of solid partnerships, and I am motivated to use my entire experience developed within the Arabic Cultural Center in Romania in contributing to the objectives of the European Migration Forum.

### Election of a Member of the Forum Bureau: national level

<b>Name and Surname:</b>	<b>Syrine Rekhis</b>	<b>Mr</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ms</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Organisation:</b>	The Young Republic	
<b>Function:</b>	Active member	
<b>Country:</b>	Italy	
<b>Website:</b>	www.theyoungrepublic.org	
<b>Your organisation is active since...:</b>	2016	
<b>Your organisation represents NGO sector:</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (please describe more in details)

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How would you liaise with organisations from other Member States?

The Young Republic (TYR) is registered as a non-governmental and non-profit organisation, with a democratic structure where the board is annually elected by the members. Based on volunteers who are directly represented and are directly involved in the decision making through the monthly board meetings that are open for all the members, and invited to take initiative and leadership on activities and projects. TYR counts 50 members from 9 different countries: Sweden, Belgium, Portugal, France, UK, Italy, Spain, Germany and Greece.

**Motivation of the candidate: What do you want to contribute and to achieve as a member of the Forum Bureau? How would you use your experience and your network to contribute to the work of the Forum?**

I value this forum and its impact and would like to take an active in preparing and organizing the upcoming one. I am a young advocate with a lived migration experience and will be representing the voice of youth of The Young Republic, a European organization led by youth with lived migration experience and addressing the political participation of this youth. With 10 years of experience in non-formal education, I will contribute in enriching the learning process and creating the space for a deeper experience exchange and a more efficient networking. During the past 11 years as a civil society activist and 6 years as a co-founder and leader of an organization, I developed my leadership skills and management competencies, I will use my experience to help in preparing and implementing the event in its different steps. I strongly believe that the impact and the sustainability of an event depends on its follow up, and I will contribute in the implementation of a strong follow-up in the service of the forum sustainability. As a youth advocate, educator, medical doctor and a neuroscientist, I believe that I will bring a different and a wider perspective to a Forum meant to address the migration from its different perspectives.

