

Dear Green family members,

My name is Maria. You are reading this as I would like to express my strong interest in joining the European Green Party's Committee. As an active member of Cyprus Green Party since 2012, I'm ready to deeply commit to advancing the values of environmental sustainability, social justice, and participatory democracy across Europe and beyond. With over a decade of experience in leadership roles across various Green organizations, I am eager to contribute my expertise, passion, and vision to further the mission of the European Green Party (EGP).

Since 2017, during my mandate as the International Relations Secretary and now as the Vice President of the Cyprus Green Party, I have been assigned to be part of the Cyprus delegation to the EGP Councils and Congresses. Throughout all these years, I have seen the European Green Party evolving and becoming greater – even when others did not believe in EGP, the Party proved them wrong.

In addition, I had the privilege to be present when we revived the Mediterranean Network where I'm proudly serving as a member, and I have contributed to strengthening **regional cooperation**. This cooperation is what motivates me to run as a Committee Member, as I strongly believe that in order to keep the European Green Party united and powerful, we need to empower the Parties and embrace the cross-regional approach.

Also my motivation comes from all the young people that I have met through FYEG, during my mandate as a member of the Executive Committee (2016-2017), from my involvement in the FYEG Alumni Network, having served as the President of the Cyprus Youth Council (representing the Young Cyprus Greens – 2021-2023) and being a candidate for the national and the European Parliament. When we are trying to empower young people to get involved in politics, in any possible way, we need to have the courage to lead by example. And getting elected as a Committee Member of the European Green Party, will be a great opportunity to set this example and help shape our collective future, cross-generational and cross-regional.

I believe my international experience, combined with my strategic leadership in multiple Green organizations, positions me well to contribute effectively to the European Green Party's Committee. I am particularly passionate about fostering cross-border cooperation and enhancing youth engagement in the Green movement. I understand the crucial time we live in and how important it is to help shape a more sustainable and just Europe.

I am ready to dedicate myself and my time to ensuring that the European Green Party continues to grow as a united and innovative force in European politics, championing policies that protect both our people and our planet. I am confident that my experience, energy, and unwavering commitment to Green values will make me a valuable asset to the upcoming mandate.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to our shared vision for a greener, more equitable Europe.

Yours sincerely,



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Candidate for the Committee of the European Green Party