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**Title:** Ciarán Cuffe for Co-Chair

**Tabled by:** Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas

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**Video**

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

Dear Colleagues,

**Curriculum Vitae [PDF]** [Download my CV](#) proposed to the office of co-chair of the European Greens.

These are challenging times: for democracy; for Europe and for the Green movement. Faced with the prospect of a pushback on green initiatives in the EU, a second Trump presidency in the USA, Russia's continued war of aggression against the Ukrainian people and continued conflict in the Middle East we must be resolute, strong and vocal in our message.

By way of background, I'm from Dublin, Ireland. I'm trained as an architect and urban planner, and just prior to my election as a Member of the European Parliament undertook a Masters in Cities at the London School of Economics. I have spent many years in local government as a city councillor on Dublin City Council. I then was elected for two terms as a member of the Irish Parliament, and as a Minister of State led the Irish Government's delegation to the COP16 Climate Change negotiations to Cancun Mexico in 2010. For the last five years I was an MEP, and served on the Transport and Energy Committees of the European Parliament, and negotiated key laws on greening aviation, and was lead negotiator for the European Parliament on the Greener Buildings law, the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive.

As an MEP representing Ireland over the last five years I've seen first hand how democracy thrives and how it can die. I've seen the successes of the European Green Deal, but also the failure to act at the speed required to tackle the interlinked climate and biodiversity crises.

We may have national differences, but I believe as a Green family, we are stronger when we act and communicate together. Green success in the coming years will depend on how we communicate our message to the electorate. A Just Transition is required so that working families benefit from green measures. If we do this right we will lower bills, create decent jobs, and allow people to live longer healthier lives. This is a key message that we must focus on. The green transition must be a social transition that benefits everyone.

Democracy thrives in darkness, and the European Greens must shine a light to help countries that are under threat from dictators and oligarchs, be they in the Middle East, Russia or in Europe itself. We have always been a strong voice for human rights and minorities globally and now is a hugely important time to speak out for communities under threat, in Africa, the Middle East and in regimes where civil society is under threat.

If elected as co-chair I bring my experience as a member of a green party that has been in Government twice. That experience will help me in working with green parties that are nurturing the environmental and social message in vulnerable places where green voices have not yet been in government. I believe our message can resonate in the Western Balkans and in regions in Central Europe that have not had strong environmental representation in local, regional or national assemblies. As someone who has spent many years in local government I know that what we can achieve in cities and towns can contribute to our success. As a former Minister of State I bring my experience of government to the table in our debates and negotiations. We can, and must also build alliances with like-minded progressive voices in civil society.

To do this I need your support, and as a campaigner and law-maker I ask you to put your trust in me as your co-chair for the next three years.

Warmest wishes,

Ciarán Cuffe

# Ciarán Cuffe

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## Supporters

### Experience

- 2020 Green Party of England and Wales, Bündnis90/Die Grünen, Esquerra Verda, SF - Green Left, Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, Zieloni, Miljöpartiet de gröna, Les Écologistes - for a Sustainable Energy Future (EUFORES)
- 2019 Europe Ecology Les Verts, PROGRES?VIE, Ecolo, Partia e Gjellbër / Party of the Greens of Albania, Groen, Verdes Equo, LIVRE, GroenLinks, Europa Verde - Verdi, Vihreät - De Gröna, Možemo! - politička platforma, Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, Scottish Green Party, Cyprus Greens, Citizens Cooperation, Miljøpartiet De Grønne
- 2019 Member of the European Parliament
- 2019 Master's degree in Cities, London School of Economics
- 2011 Elected to Irish Parliament
- 2007 Re-elected to Dublin City Council
- 2002 Elected to Irish Parliament
- 1999 Lecturer in Urban Planning, Technical University of Dublin
- 1996 Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning, Dublin
- 1999 Re-elected to Dublin City Council
- 1991 Elected to Dublin City Council
- 1990 Italian Government scholarship University of Venice (IUAV)
- 1989 Bachelor of Architecture, University College Dublin

## Selected Work and Publications

- 2024 Recast Energy Performance of Buildings Directive. European Parliament Rapporteur
- 2023 ReFuelEU (Sustainable Aviation Fuels) Regulation. European Parliament Shadow Rapporteur
- 2020 *Maximising the energy efficiency potential of the EU building stock* Report. European Parliament Rapporteur
- 2020 Ed.'s Brady, B. & O'Connell, S. *Mobilising an Urbanised Capital. Dublin By Design* - Architecture and the City, book chapter, Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland, Dublin
- 2019 *Climate Change and the Built Environment: a European Approach*. Presentation at the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland Annual Conference
- 2019 LSE Masters dissertation, '*Decarbonising Dublin: what additional measures are needed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from transportation in Dublin City?*'

## Personal Information

- Resident of Dublin Ireland, married, two children
- English mother tongue, conversational Irish, French and Italian
- Fond of singing, late at night
- Keen cyclist, sea-swimmer and fan of night-trains



**Draft**

**Title:** **Vula Tsetsi for Co-Chair**

**Tabled by:** déi gréng

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

## CANDIDACY FOR EGP CO-CHAIR

### VULA TSETSI



Dear Friends,

It is an honour for me to present my candidacy for the position of Co-Chair of the European Green Party. For many years, I have been proud to be a part of our political family, contributing on the basis of different responsibilities. Since 2004, I have been the Secretary General of our Group in the European Parliament. Our political family has taken its responsibility to shape Europe and has improved the everyday lives of Europeans, whilst also standing firm by its values, with courage and a consistent moral compass, also when the wind is blowing in our faces.

### **Courage for a social, green and diverse Europe – standing in the way of the far right**

We will need courage in the next years. The wars in Ukraine and in the Middle East have brought destruction and tremendous suffering on thousands of civilians. These wars go against basic principles of international law, and we Greens cannot stand idle to it. Even in the light of the worsening climate crisis and the dramatic loss of biodiversity, the ecological transition is increasingly under threat. At the same time, populist and extreme right forces are gaining in strength and have set out to destroy the democratic, liberal, diverse, social and green Europe we stand for. But we Greens will stand in their way. We are and must remain the antithesis of the extreme right. That is our historic responsibility!

We know that we are not alone in this fight. We stand side by side with youth movements for social and environmental justice, trade unions, economic actors, grassroots movements and feminist and LGBTIQ+ Groups. As EGP Co-Chair I want to intensify these contacts and reflect with the new Committee on new strategies and formats to effectively combine our forces.

I am convinced that we need to invest in close cooperation with other progressive parties and forces with the aim of bringing together a pro-democracy, pro rule of law and pro climate action coalition. This applies to the European Parliament, but also to the European Parties.

## **Learning from the past and building on successes**

After the successful 2019 European elections, this year our electoral results in many member states were a setback. But we have also seen very good results from the Nordic countries and from other member parties who sent MEPs to the European Parliament for the first time. This is also the result of years of collaboration with and support from the EGP and the Group. I am glad to see that our work in the EGP committee has contributed to this success.

As Co-Chair, I want us to draw serious and honest conclusions from these results. Among us, we will need to analyse which political trends have led to a certain erosion of our electoral base. How do we address the worrying increase in support for the extreme right among young voters, when just some years ago climate action was a dominant and popular theme? How do we deal with the shift of the public focus from climate action to cost of living concerns? And how can we strengthen our unique political profile which brings together green growth, climate action and social justice? How do we combine our long-term vision with the everyday concerns of people? We need to discuss in the new committee, how to bring together member parties and the wider political family to build the Green profile.

At the same time, we should be proud of, and build on the success of our enlargement strategy and further strengthen our parties and partners in the South and Central Eastern Europe. We need to concentrate on supporting emerging parties and in particular invest in the green forces within the candidate countries for EU membership. We should further build on the successes of Greens in responsibility, from the local to the national and the European level.

## **Promoting Green Team work and internal cohesion**

The challenges ahead can only be addressed by a culture of 'Green Team Work':

The European Green Party is at the core of the network of our political family, bringing together the national member parties, from within or outside the EU, with the policy expertise of our Group in the European Parliament, the analytical strength of our foundations and the enthusiasm and mobilisation of FYEG. I want us to develop a clear platform that promotes common priorities and values, and ensures that all member parties can align on key issues. Strengthening the internal cohesion within our family will reinforce our message and impact. It should be our ambition to bring together the Greens from different levels: Our MEPs, national parliamentarians, our parties in government our mayors and local councillors. They should all "become the voice" of our green family beyond the national borders. The European Green Party can play an important role in this mobilisation.

The enlargement of the Committee is a great opportunity. I want to make sure that within this team of 13, every single member's role is visible and reinforced. This will require clear

and shared responsibilities, regular exchanges on strategies and campaigns and the promotion of internal unity.

As a member of the EGP committee since 2019, I am familiar with the organisation and have ~~Curriculum Vitae [PDF]~~ seen the commitment and enthusiasm of its staff members first hand.

### Remain in a campaign mode

With the European Elections behind us, it is vital to remain in a campaign mode. Together with national parties and the Group in the European Parliament we need to find common topics and ways to promote them at all levels simultaneously. Effective cooperation between our European party and the Group in the European Parliament should be based on an overall strategic agreement and common campaigns. In this way, our European party can make a difference and claim its legitimate role in EU politics. Starting at the EGP Congress in Dublin, we can create new energy and new opportunities for a common green future and stand firm on our values.

The November 5th US elections will have a major impact on EU political life. We will see either a boost of anti - European populism and climate scepticism or a major encouragement for European progressives, climate action and the rule of law. Let's hope that by the time of our Dublin Congress we can profit from a new spirit and new energy from the election of the first female US President. If not, we will fight back with double force, making full use of our common European party. European Greens are in it for the long haul. With other progressives, we will join forces to bring an end to the current surge of anti-European populism and the extreme right.

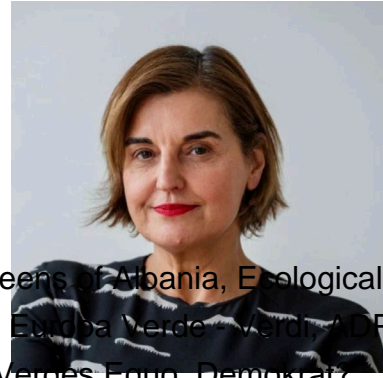
Dear friends, I am very motivated to take on the responsibility of co-chairing the EGP. I hope you will give me the opportunity to contribute to the strengthening of our common political cause and European party. It is with passion and determination that I ask for your support for my candidacy.

Yours,



Vula Tsetsi

# Vula Tsetsi



## Supporters

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Bündnis90/Die Grünen, Partia e Gjelbër / Party of the Greens of Albania, Ecological Green Party - Partidul Verde Ecologist, Moldova, LIVRE, Europa Verde - Verdi in SPD, Miljöpartiet de gröna, Verdi - Grüne - Vërc, GroenLinks, Verdes Equo, Demokratia s?junga „Vardan Lietuvos“, SF - Green Left, Cyprus Greens - Citizens Cooperation, Les

## Experience

Ecologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, Groen, Možemo! – politi?ka platforma, Esquerra Verda, Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, Ecolo, Die Grünen - Die Grüne Alternative, Gra?anski Pokret URB, Zielen, Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, PROGRES VIE, Vireat-De

2004 - present	<b>European Parliament</b> , Secretary General of the Greens/EFA Group, since 2004, re-elected in 2009, 2014, 2019, 2024
1999 - 2004	<b>European Parliament</b> , Co-Secretary General of the Greens/EFA Group
1995 - 1999	<b>European Parliament</b> , Deputy Secretary General of the Green Group
1990 - 1995	<b>European Parliament</b> , Regional Affairs Advisor for the Green Group
1989 - 1990	<b>European Parliament</b> , Political Assistant to Virginio Bettini MEP (Greens, Italy)

## Education & Publications

1990	<b>Università Iuav di Venezia</b> , Venice, Italy University Degree in Urban and Regional Planning
2013	Co-Coordination of “Green Transports in Cities; Policies for a sustainable mobility in urban centers. A European Overview.”, Papassotiriou Editions
2003	Co-Coordination of “A future for Athens; In search of urban policies for the reorganisation of Greater Conurbation of the Hellenic Capital.”, Papazissis publications
1994	“The sustainable city: analysis, outlook and proposals for urban ecology in Europe”, Franco Angeli
1993	“Environmental and Sustainable Development: the Sardinia Case”, CUEE

## Personal information

- Grew up in Ioannina, Greece
- Mother tongue Greek. Fluent in English, French and Italian. Passive Knowledge of Spanish.
- Two children, Lavinia and Anders, half Swedish, half Greek.
- Hobbies: swimming (especially in the Mediterranean sea), walking/hiking, art and dancing, travelling





**Draft**

**Title:** **Benedetta De Marte for Secretary General**

**Tabled by:** Ecolo

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

Dear friends,

Serving as the **Secretary General of the European Greens** for the past two and a half years alongside my Committee colleagues and the EGP staff, has been the most rewarding challenge of my political and professional life. **With this letter, I am seeking your trust for a second mandate.**

The years since our election in June 2022 have been challenging, but thanks to the work of this Committee, supported by an experienced and dedicated staff, we have accomplished a great deal. The European Greens have significantly **enlarged as a political family**, welcoming new parties particularly from Southern and Central-Eastern Europe. Some new members have different roots than traditional Green parties, which has enriched our community and helped to build green politics in countries where we have never been present before. This strategy also translated into electoral results, contributing to the current composition of the Green Group in the EP.

Despite difficult circumstances, we ran a 2024 EU Elections campaign of which we can be proud. It was the **most far-reaching campaign that the EGP has ever undertaken**. We provided a broad range of tools to parties and candidates, which received highly positive feedback. Thanks to an ambitious and inclusive manifesto process, the EGP strengthened its connections with civil society, laying a foundation we can further build upon as a political family.

The political climate remains challenging for the Greens, especially in some of our traditional strongholds. Green ideas and proposals are increasingly under attack. Where we are in positions of power, we face extreme backlash. The world has changed dramatically over the last few years and systemic crises are taking a huge toll on our communities, our democracy, and Europe as a whole. Putin's brutal war against Ukraine is still raging with support for Ukraine in our societies diminishing alarmingly. The war in the Middle East has escalated, causing unimaginable human suffering. European citizens are faced with growing instability: the economic situation across the EU is worsening and the climate catastrophe is hitting harder and faster than many expected. Nationalism and racist parties promoting an idea of society entirely contrary to our Green values are on the rise.

### **My vision for the next mandate**

Given this new context, and as we enter in a post-electoral phase, the coming EGP Committee mandate will be different from the last. As Greens, it is our responsibility to interpret the new reality and work jointly on **a strategy** to gain further ground with citizens. At a time when other progressive forces are growing increasingly divided along national and ideological lines, we must remain **united and work on our joint political agenda** even further. While traditional political parties lack ambition for the European project, it is our task as Greens **to show leadership for pro-Europeans**. If you trust me again as Secretary General in the coming three years, these are the areas I will propose the Committee focuses on:

### **1. Start strategic reflections to face the current situation:**

The coming years will be crucial to strengthen consensus around our ideas. First, EGP must facilitate strategic reflections with and among our member parties, as well as our partners in the Group, FYEG and GEF on key questions, like future Green narratives, alliances and power retention. Second, we must prioritise strengthened dialogue with the civil society, social movements, institutions, and the private sector to create a strategic alignment facing the upcoming challenges. Third, particularly in collaboration with FYEG, we should explore how to consolidate further our political movement by fostering and empowering the next generation of Green leaders.

### **2. Deepening exchanges and Europeanizing the debate among our member parties:**

Our diversification in recent years has strengthened the family but also introduced new complexities. By offering spaces and channels to work on cohesive positions and on a strong and ambitious pro-European agenda, we will deepen policy discussions within EGP, including more thorough preparations for decision-making ahead of Congresses. We should continue connecting elected Greens from different countries facing similar situations and debates, whether at local or national levels.

### **3. Supporting our parties and identifying new political partners**

EGP has invested significantly in a successful expansion strategy. Now, it is time to consolidate this progress by providing tailored support to our member parties, within the scope of the EGP's possibilities. In regions where the Green presence remains weak, we must continue building relations with like-minded partners. With EU enlargement on the horizon, this will be crucial for our future success.

### **4. A functioning organisation fit for our political ambitions:**

As a result of the EU elections' result, EGP will face reduced resources in the coming years. While the challenges at hand require that we keep our ambitions high, the organisation will need to restructure to match the new budgetary reality and accommodate the enlarged Committee. Managing this internal transition professionally and humanely while ensuring full support for the incoming Committee, is my top priority.

After challenging years for us as Greens - and for the world - it is essential to move forward with political vision, energy and motivation to keep improving with every step.

I am asking for your continued support as EGP Secretary General because I am convinced that the Green project is the only one that can bring about the change we need in today's Europe. As always, I am wholeheartedly committed to giving my all for our movement.

My deepest gratitude goes to my Committee colleagues and to the EGP staff for their dedication and relentless work over the past two and a half (hectic!) years. Thank you Ecolo for trusting me with your nomination and to all of you for your support in the past mandate and for considering my candidacy for the upcoming one.

Yours,  
Benedetta



## Benedetta De Marte

Nationality: Italian Date of birth: 07/01/1986

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

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#### Secretary General

*European Green Party* [ 05/06/2022 – Current ]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

#### Network Officer National Parliaments and Governments

*Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament* [ 30/08/2021 – 05/06/2022 ]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

#### Senior Political Adviser

*European Green Party* [ 01/03/2018 – 29/08/2021 ]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

#### Assistant to Reinhard Bütikofer, co-chair

*European Green Party* [ 01/07/2014 – 28/02/2018 ]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

#### Campaign assistant

*European Green Party* [ 05/08/2013 – 30/06/2014 ]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

#### Industry, Telecommunications, Research and Energy (ITRE) team trainee / Schuman scholarship trainee

*Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament / European Parliament* [ 01/03/2012 – 01/07/2013 ]

City: Brussels | Country: Belgium

#### Communication consultant

*Danish Refugee Council* [ 01/02/2011 – 15/06/2011 ]

City: Pristina | Country: Kosovo

#### Communication trainee

*EU Special Representative in Kosovo* [ 10/09/2010 – 15/01/2011 ]

City: Pristina | Country: Kosovo

#### Trainee - EU Council Presidency preparation

*Embassy of Italy in France* [ 15/05/2008 – 15/08/2008 ]

City: Paris | Country: France

### POLITICAL MANDATES & PARTY ENGAGEMENT

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[ 09/2022 – Current ]

**Local Councillor in Brussels City (Ecolo - Groen), re-election in October 2024**

[ 12/2020 – 07/2022 ]

**Member of the Federal Council of Ecolo, Belgium**

[ 03/2021 – 07/2022 ]

**Board Member of the Green European Journal**

[ 05/2021 – 06/2022 ]

**Amendments Committee Member of the European Green Party**

### **Supporters**

#### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, Verdi - Grüne - Vërc, PROGRES?VIE, GroenLinks,

Bündnis90/Die Grünen, Možemo! – politička platforma, Partia e Gjellbër / Party of the Greens of Albania, Gra?anski Pokret URA, Europa Verde - Verdi, SF - Green Left, Les

Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, Groen, Esquerra Verda, Ecological Green Party

Country: Belgium

- Partidul Verde Ecologist, Vihreät - De Gröna, Grüne / Les Vert.e.s, LIVRE, déi gréng,

Demokrat? s?junga „Vardan Lietuvos“, Federation of Young European Greens, Zieloni,

Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas, Cyprus Greens - Citizens Cooperation, Green

Country: Belgium

Party of England and Wales

**Bachelor of International Sciences and European Institutions**

*Università degli Studi di Milano*

Country: Italy

**Erasmus programme**

*Institut d'Études Politiques de Lille*

Country: France

#### **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

**Mother tongue(s):** Italian

**Other language(s):** English (professional) | French (professional) | Spanish (intermediate)



**Draft**

**Title:** **Marc Gimenez for Treasurer**

**Tabled by:** Esquerra Verda

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4X9kA175N-o>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

Dear friends from the European Green family,

It is a real honor for me to put forward my candidacy for the position of Treasurer of the European Green Party for the next three years ahead of us. It will be a difficult period where we will face many challenges, both political and organizational, and how we handle those together will be decisive for the success of our common political project.

Both my organization and my personal approach to political commitment is that of taking responsibility and make a step to the front when it is needed the most and collective intelligence and engagement is required to overcome the challenges ahead. Having been actively participating in the construction of the European Green Party for nearly twenty years now -since my beginnings at FYEG where I subsequently had the exciting opportunity to serve also as co-spokesperson, and later as regular delegate of Esquerra Verda (formerly ICV) where I have been International Secretary and Head of Delegation at EGP congress for the past years-, I am well aware that this is a moment to take further responsibility and to put our own experience and energy to the service of the common cause.

I have been living and working in Brussels for the past 15 years, serving as political advisor for the Greens/EFA group in the European Parliament -most recently within the Transport committee, where I deal with EU budget affairs and infrastructure financing, among other topics, and I am hence already acquainted with the EU Financial Regulation. Despite the distance, I have always kept close links with my mother party while also strengthening the ties with the different components of the European Green family. I consider myself to be in a position where quite few people are in order to contribute in bringing them even closer together and establish further coordination, which we will really need in the years ahead to overcome this dark period where our climate and democracy in Europe and globally are at stake. War is taking part in our continent and also at its doors, and our values and guiding principles are being put in question. There is no time to lose and we cannot afford to do it wrong if we want to effectively combat the rise of extreme right and make hope and love prevail over fear and hate.

This is why when I have been recently suggested to run myself to become EGP Treasurer, both my party and myself had little hesitation. We want to live up to our traditional commitment to the project with whichever duties are required, in some cases even leaving relative comfort zones, and put our skills at the service of the collective. This is why for me it will become a pleasure to put my passion for numbers and spreadsheets -as an engineer by training- together with the deep understanding of the implications of budget in terms of priorities within the political sphere -after two decades of activism as well as professional work in the EU institutions, at the disposal of the Committee and of the EGP organization as a whole.

I am convinced that I can do a good job, learning from and building upon the excellent example and foundations set by the preceding treasurers, with special mention to Ute Michel and Lena Lindström, from whom I learnt that this job is not only about being rigorous with figures, but also about having the overall picture and understanding the importance to prioritize and distribute our resources efficiently and smartly. First of all, I believe I would be able to live up to such standards as Treasurer because of my absolute motivation and determination to carry out a thorough work -of course with the priceless assistance and daily work of our Director of Finance, Compliance and Administration and the whole accounting team-, understanding its often overlooked but essential importance and implications for the functioning of the organization; I actually had the opportunity to get further acquainted with EGP budget in finances already as part of the expert Working Group on Membership Fees reform a few years ago, where we successfully focused on ensuring fairness in the respective contributions from member parties.

Secondly, I consider I would be a good addition to the Committee in a broader context because, besides the technical skills obviously required to do this specific job, I do believe that given my trajectory I can also bring about a human contribution in terms of team spirit, consensus building and finding compromises when needed. I consider myself a team player, very used to work in an international environment and sensitive to the different ideological and cultural nuances across parties, and someone who can put naturally emotional intelligence at the service of the collective political success. This is why I have enjoyed taking part for many years now in the different rounds of Compromise Amendment Sessions prior to the EGP Councils and Congresses, as well as in the final negotiations on the spot as Head of Delegation regarding different resolutions -and more recently on the 2024 EU Elections Manifesto-, contributing to successfully bridge any differences, also on sensitive issues.

I thus believe and feel that this is precisely the right moment to invest myself further in this organization, this project so dear to me that I have had the chance to witness grow for many years. And in this moment where we find ourselves at a crossroads everyone that is in a position to do so needs to take ownership and work even further to preserve it and make it thrive again. I am aware that a difficult period awaits in front of us, with a foreseeable reduction of the EP grant as a result of the outcome of the European elections that will have an impact on our overall budget. Therefore, one of the big challenges that we have ahead is to manage this concerning change on the best possible way, making sure that we minimize its consequences and ensure that we can preserve the core of the organizational upgrades and enhanced professionalization that we experienced following the green wave and the success in 2019. I consider myself ready to contribute in piloting this period in a way so that we are still well equipped for the future challenges and assist to the work of the Secretary General in this regard, together with the co-Chairs and the rest of the Committee, building the foundations of many new successes at national level and with 2029 always in the horizon.

In conclusion, I would like to have your trust as member parties to take on this important duty as EGP Treasurer, probably more than ever given the current context, so that I can contribute to the best of my heart and my brain to keep the European Green Party resilient in turbulent times and ultimately to keep making it the increasingly useful tool for ecological transformation across Europe that we all are working for.

Yours sincerely,



Marc Gimenez





## Europass Curriculum Vitae

### Personal information

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Date of birth 18<sup>th</sup> April 1983



### Current employment / Occupational field

### Political Advisor to the Greens/EFA group in the European Parliament Committee on Transport and Tourism

Dates	01/08/2020 - Present
Occupation or position held	<b>Political advisor in the European Parliament (TA)</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Staff member of the Greens/EFA Group in the EP. <b>Committee on Transport and Tourism</b>
Name and address of employer	European Parliament Rue Wiertz, 60, 1047 Brussels (Belgium)
Type of business or sector	European Institutions
Type of business or sector	European Institutions
Dates	01/09/2012 - 31/07/2020
Occupation or position held	<b>Political advisor in the European Parliament</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Staff member of the Greens/EFA Group in the EP. <b>Committee on Petitions</b>
Name and address of employer	European Parliament Rue Wiertz, 60, 1047 Brussels (Belgium)
Type of business or sector	European Institutions
Type of business or sector	European Institutions
Dates	18/01/2010 - 31/08/2012
Occupation or position held	<b>Political advisor in the European Parliament</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Staff member of the Greens/EFA Group in the EP. <b>Liaison Officer for Southern Europe.</b>
Name and address of employer	European Parliament Rue Wiertz, 60, 1047 Brussels (Belgium)
Type of business or sector	European Institutions
Dates	01/03/2007 - 15/01/2010
Occupation or position held	<b>Local Assistant to a Member of the European Parliament</b>
Main activities and responsibilities	Overall coordination of the Local Office work and external communications. Political relations with the civil society at the constituency. Writing parliamentary questions, amendments and follow-up of relevant dossiers. Administration.
Name and address of employer	Raül Romeva i Rueda, Member of the European Parliament. Rue Wiertz, 60, 1047 Brussels (Belgium)
Type of business or sector	European Institutions

Dates 01/09/2006 - 28/02/2007  
Occupation or position held **Research assistant in an engineering project**  
Main activities and responsibilities Internship in a Product Development Centre of a manufacturing company.  
Research of technological alternatives for the mounting of large bearings.  
Design of experiments, monitoring and analysis of stress tests for the mounting process  
Name and address of employer **SKF**  
Hornsgatan, 1, SE-415 50 Göteborg (Sweden)  
Type of business or sector Manufacturing/Engineering

### Education and training

Dates 01/09/2005 - 10/02/2007  
Title of qualification awarded **MSc in Production and Operations Management**  
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered Reverse Material flow management:  
- Master's Thesis on "**Warranty Claim Management**" within the Logistics department at Atlet AB  
Operations Managements  
Resource Efficiency  
Project Management  
Organisational Behaviour  
\*Enrolled in the initial study program due to being selected among the hundred promising young engineering students to take part of the Academic-Corporate joint venture for engineering excellence '**UNITECH**' (2005-2007).  
Name and type of organisation providing education and training **Chalmers University of Technology**  
SE-412 96 Göteborg (Sweden)  
Level in national or international classification MSc (ISCED 6)  
Dates 17/09/2001 - 30/06/2005  
Title of qualification awarded **Industrial Engineering**  
Principal subjects / occupational skills covered Mechanics, Electronics, Hydraulics, Structures, Electricity, Robotics, Transport, Materials science  
Mathematics & Statistics  
Management & Economics  
Industrial Organisation  
Name and type of organisation providing education and training ETSEIB - **Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya**  
Av. Diagonal, 647, 08028 Barcelona (Spain)  
Level in national or international classification ISCED 5 (5 years degree)

### Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s) **Spanish, Catalan**  
Other language(s)

Self-assessment  
*European level (\*)*

**English**  
**French**  
**Italian**  
**Swedish**  
**German**

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
C1	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user
B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B1	Independent user
B1	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B1	Independent user
A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User

(\*) [Common European Framework of Reference \(CEF\) level](#)

<p><b>Political activity</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Political responsibilities at European level:</b></li> <li>- Co-Spokesperson of the <b>Federation of Young European Greens</b> (2008-2009)</li> <li>- Youth wing representative at <b>Executive Committee of the European Green Party</b> (2008-2009)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Supporters</b>          Miljöpartiet de gröna, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, Groen, Europa Verde - Verdi, Ecolo, Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, Irish Green Party, Communistas Grias, Cyprus Greens - Citizens Cooperation, LIVRE, GroenLinks, Federation of Young European Greens, Možemo! – politička platforma</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Other political duties and activities:</b></li> <li>- Esquerra Verda member (Green party in Catalonia, formerly named ICV) since 2002</li> <li>- Esquerra Verda International Affairs Secretary and Head of delegation to EGP since 2022</li> <li>- Esquerra Verda International Affairs Board member (initially ICV) since 2008</li> <li>- Delegate to the EGP Councils without interruption between 2008 and 2024</li> <li>- Member of the EGP Working Group on Membership Fees reform (2019)</li> <li>- Coordinator of ICV Brussels local chapter (2013-2017)</li> <li>- Member of ‘SUMAR Bélgica’ Steering Group (2023-2024)</li> <li>- Co-founder of EQUO Bruselas local chapter (2011)</li> <li>- ICV European Parliament affairs coordinator (2007-2009)</li> <li>- Member of ICV's European elections Campaign Core Team &amp; Program Drafting Team (2009, 2014)</li> <li>- Member of the Board of the Catalan Council of the European Movement International (2009-2011)</li> <li>- Member of the European Youth Forum Working Group on Employment, Social Affairs and Sustainable Development (2008-2010)</li> <li>- Observer of the structural Commission for the confluence of the Spanish Green parties (2010-2011)</li> <li>- Co-chair of the National Assembly of Joves d'Esquerra Verda (Catalan Young Greens); 2012</li> <li>- Co-chair of the FYEG General Assembly (2011)</li> <li>- European Greens representative at the EQUO Constituting Assembly (2011)</li> <li>- Chairperson of the Climate Change and Sustainable Development Committee at the Africa-Europe Youth Summit (2007)</li> <li>- Member of the Political Committee of the Euro - Latinamerican Youth Forum, FEULAT (2008)</li> <li>- Attending to both European Green Summer Universities (Frankfurt Öder/Slubice, 2008 and 2011): Organizer and speaker of the panel on European Campaigns Management (2008)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Additional information</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Further studies and diplomas:</b></li> <li>- Specialisation diploma on “<b>System Dynamics</b>” - Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (2015, online)</li> <li>- Completed Academic part of the <b>PhD program 'Sustainability, Technology and Humanism'</b> of the <u>UNESCO Cathedra on Sustainability</u> of the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (2009)</li> <li>- Diploma of the <b>UNITECH Program</b> for European Students of Technology (2005-2007)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Other activity in NGOs:</b></li> <li>- Member of 'Acció Jove' (Catalan branch of the youth wing of the main Trade Union in Spain, CCOO)</li> <li>- Member of Engineers without Borders</li> <li>- Member of the Steering Committee of the Anti-war Movement in the Industrial Engineering Faculty during Iraq war, 'ETSEIB per la PAU' (2003)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Publications:</b></li> <li>- 'Austerity in Spain - a failed ideology' (with Delfina Rossi; Green European Journal, Spring 2012)</li> <li>- 'Green Guidelines on the Energy Sector in Europe' (Ecosprinter; Special Issue on Energy, 2008)</li> </ul>



**Draft**

**Title:** Tetiana Bodun

**Tabled by:** Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10gM6SEkdBI>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

**TETIANA BODUN**  
**PARTIJA ZELENYKH UKRAINY**



**Dear colleagues!**

I am Tetiana Bodun.

I have been in the Green Movement for half my life.

For half my life I have been fighting for the implementation of our ideas in the lives of my people and European democratic values in my country.

I represent Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy and a country that is currently fighting for its democracy, freedom and independence against a nuclear-armed Russia.

I represent a country that has voluntarily surrendered its nuclear arsenal under the security guarantees of the Nuclear Club. We, the Ukrainian Greens, have worked hard to convince the ruling establishment and the people that this was the right thing to do. And now we have a war. The plot did not follow our green scenario, but the scenario of the past.

This terrible war is not only against Ukraine but against the entire free world. A war of the past and the future, of dictatorship and democracy.

The purpose of this war is to break the existing world order. Because of the global

movement towards a just peace on the planet, real steps towards an ecological balance of life on Earth, prevent totalitarian states from building their autocratic world.

### **Curriculum Vitae [PDF]**

The success of the right-wing forces in Europe is evidence not only that our voters are tired and disillusioned, but also that Moscow is working continuously and steadily to undermine and discredit our European values, especially our Green values.

It is bribery and blackmail, cyberattacks and information manipulation, and instrumentalisation of migration. This is direct funding and even the creation of pro-Moscow parties, gross interference in the most valuable thing in our democracy - elections.

Today, this is the most serious threat to democratic Europe since the 1930s. We need to realise this.

We do not have to look for the problem of losing the electorate in revising our ideological foundations. Voters are directly affected by a coordinated hybrid campaign to split European society, destabilising and weakening the EU. In this process, Moscow is investing billions of dollars earned from the sale of fossil fuels.

That is why I decided to run for the committee.

We will not allow anyone to weaken the Greens, to sow fear and disbelief.

We must unite today for the sake of the future and the sake of our planet.

Please support me

**Kind regards,**

**Tetiana Bodun**

**+380675560754 tetianabodun@gmail.com**

**<https://www.facebook.com/tetiana.bodun>**

## **POLITICAL EXPERIENCE**

2002 -2015 - Deputy of Chechelnytsia District Council in Vinnytsia Region From 2012 to 2014- the Chairman of the Association of Local Council Deputies from Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy

Since February 2014 International secretary of Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy

2014-2020 - Organizer of campaign trips and activities, Campaign spokesperson on tours, speech writing of Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy

The first number on the list of Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy (Parliamentary elections 2019).

Organizer and participant of all-Ukrainian and international conferences of Partija Zelenykh Ukraine

Managent of trainings for local deputies of Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy

I develop and promote the party's contacts in the international arena.

Since 2022 - member of the Conciliation Panel EGP

## **EDUCATION**

1992–1998 Ukrainian Philology, Specialist, Diploma of Specialist  
University of Odessa

2006-2008 Public Administration, MA

National Academy for Public Administration

2008–2011: Candidate of Sciences, Scientific

Degree: Public Administration

National Academy for Public Administration

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

1992 -2005- Teacher of the Bilokami school

2005 -2006- Parliament of Ukraine, deputy consultant assistant

2006 -2015 – work in public service bodies of Ukraine

2015 -2019 Parliament of Ukraine, deputy consultant assistan

2019 - International secretary of Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy

**Supporters**

PROGRES?VIE, Ecological Green Party - Partidul Verde Ecologist, Sak'art'velos  
mtsvanet'a partia, Georgia, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, SF - Green  
Left, Eestima Rohelised, Estonia





**Draft**

**Title:** **Markus Drake**

**Tabled by:** Vihreät - De Gröna

**Photo**



**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

## **Motivation letter**

for **EGP Committee Member**

Markus Drake (he/him)

Vihreät - De Gröna - Finnish Greens

## **Curriculum Vitae [PDF]**

Dear Green friends,

We can't do Green change alone, none of us can. So I am asking for your support for a position on the Committee of the European Green Party, at the kind nomination of the Finnish Greens. My name is Markus Drake, and I believe there is a very specific task ahead of us. I am a veteran Green activist from Finland, living and acting all over the European continent for over three decades.

Since 2007 I have spent time in the European Parliament, from intern to spouse, and feel at home in the corridors of Brussels. I have had the pleasure of serving as a member of the board of my national party, as secretary general of the Young European Greens, and the privilege of following the past four European Parliament elections closely.

Things are tough right now. I live for the tough times. Our political family is under pressure, challenged, as the far right rises and singles us out as their targets of hatred. They try to shout us down, digitally and physically, east, west, north and south. Our transformative demands and accomplishments are being pushed back. I have worked on these issues that we all face. I was fighting for housing rights and against homelessness in my youth. I was active in the movement for digital rights at the very beginning, in independent media and on privacy issues. We built mass movements for greater democracy and basic income. I have campaigned on energy politics and built solidarity with refugees. I have had a role shaping crucial European issues where we are currently being challenged. And as all of us, I have fought for our core Green topics: protecting the environment and climate.

Previously, we Greens have been the avenue where new social movements have brought new questions and identities into the political realm. I was a part of that in 2000, organising busloads of activists to travel across Europe to demand a debt Jubilee from the World Bank and the IMF to the poorest countries. At the Genova G8 in Italy, we protested with hundreds of thousands against state violence, demanded freedom of movement, and a socially just Europe. But this was over 20 years ago, and while in several countries we are used to seeing ourselves as a party of the future, we are now losing the youth vote. I want to see Greens again serve as a platform for youth changing the world, while telling stories of hope across generations. I think I am a decent listener, who knows when to let others speak. Together we can find courage to bring new ideas into the political realm again.

For the past years I have lived in a small village and found a local community and strength in it, joining the volunteer firefighters, a pretty conservative bunch, and in them found allies for both welcoming refugees and fighting forest fires. It is by the same tools we European Greens must face our challenges. Through determination and solidarity, but also in our refusal to give up our ideals against overwhelming odds. The EGP is how we share our local realities, connecting and lifting up political demands to the European and global levels, from protection of exposed and threatened minorities to energy and climate policy. As a former squatting activist now in party politics I want to make sure that different methods in reaching the same goal do not divide us, but makes the shared fight stronger.

The task ahead of us, I find, is to deepen our roots. Storms and droughts, political and physical, sweep across Europe. We must weather them. I ask for your trust in me to serve this party so that together with civil society and movements, we are a seed, a sapling, for a Green and socially just Europe.

Markus Drake

## CV: Markus Drake

### Supporters

Brussels  
markus.drake@vihreat.fi

Green Miljöpartiet de gröna, SF - Green Left, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, Eestima Rohelised, Estonia, Ecolo, Možemo! - politika platforma, Demokrat? s?junga „Vardan Lietuvos“, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas,



### Zieloni, Federation of Young European Greens

- **Chair** of the Europe **Working Group**, Finnish Green Party June 2019 - June 2024
- **Member** of the **Party Board**, Finnish Green Party June 2017 - June 2021
- Member of the **Party Council**, Finnish Green Party May 2013 - June 2017
- Member of the **Party Council**, Finnish Green Party June 2021 - June 2023
- Campaign tour **Manager**, Finnish Green Party Feb - May 2017
- **Secretary General**, Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG) Jan - June 2016
- Media and Communications **Officer**, CIDSE March 2013 - Dec 2014
- Campaign **Officer**, Helsinki Green Party, Municipal elections Nov - Dec 2012
- **Secretary General**, Federation of Young European Greens (FYEG) Sept 2010 - Aug 2011

### Education:

- Bachelor Pol.Sc. (Journalism), Helsinki University, Finland 2007

### Other Green experience:

- Personal election campaign, Finnish Parliament 2015
- Member of the Executive Committee, FYEG 2005-2007
- Personal election campaign, Finnish Parliament 2003
- **Spokesperson**, Green Youth and Student's League (ViNO) 2001-2003
- **Spokesperson**, Helsinki region Green Youth 2001

### Other political experience:

- Member, EGP 2024 Election Manifesto Editorial Group 2023-2024
- Chair, EGP Working Group on Migration 2008
- Squatting and social centres movements, The Netherlands and Finland 1999-2005
- Globalisation movement, Europe and Latin America 1999-2003

### Languages:

- excellent: English, Finnish, Swedish
- fluent: German
- basic: French, Dutch, Danish
- reading comprehension: Italian, Spanish

### Markus Drake

Born 1976, Espoo, Finland

Grew up in a swedish-speaking home, with an author and a librarian as parents

Has a degree in journalism but ended up doing political communication which suits him better

His newest hobby is volunteer firefighting, but since his teenage years he has played tabletop role-playing games, sunk himself into fantasy and science fiction, and played computer games

A proud nerd, he hasn't had time for live role-playing/LARP since a game of Vampire: The Masquerade in the EP, "Parliament of Shadows", in 2017, where he played a conservative Danish MEP

He has picked up scuba diving and horse riding over the years, being enthusiastic, amateurish and unfortunately rare in both

His greatest travel experience was following the Zapatista comandancia as part of their security detail during the *Marcha del Color de la Tierra* from Chiapas to Ciudad de México in 2001



**Draft**

**Title:** Maxim Gritunic

**Tabled by:** Ecological Green Party - Partidul Verde Ecologist

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://vimeo.com/1020936691?share=copy>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**



European  
Greens



PARTIDUL VERDE  
ECOLOGIST

## Motivation Letter

Dear European Green Party Members,

I am truly honored to present my candidacy for the position of Committee Member in the European Green Party Committee. As mayor of Biruința, a city that thrives on innovation and resilience, I have dedicated myself to championing sustainable development. Here, every policy we pursue reflects our unwavering commitment to ecological responsibility, social justice, and grassroots participation.

Why does this matter? Because local governance is where real change begins. Over the years, I've crafted strategies, spearheaded initiatives, and used the power of social media to amplify our message of sustainability. Whether through promoting renewable energy projects or implementing green urban policies, I've worked tirelessly to enhance our community's resilience to climate change. Short on words, long on impact. That's what leadership in sustainability means.

But it's not just about environmental issues. Gender equality and diversity have been core to my approach. Every decision, every policy, is rooted in the belief that inclusivity strengthens our societies. That's not just theory – it's practice, and Biruința is living proof.

I don't plan to stop here. My vision is to create even stronger connections between local authorities and the European Green Party, transforming shared principles into real, actionable policies. How? Through collaboration, innovation, and determination. With your support, who share and trust my vision, we can make this a reality.

Together, let's build a greener, fairer, and more sustainable Europe. I look forward to working alongside you, bringing fresh energy and new ideas to our collective mission. Will you join me?

Sincerely,  
Maxim Grițunic  
Mayor of Biruința  
Republic of Moldova



## GRITUNIC Maxim

📍 **Home** : str. 1 Mai, 30, 6202, or. Biruinta, Moldova

✉ **Email:** [maxgrit@gmail.com](mailto:maxgrit@gmail.com) 📞 **Phone:** (+373) 69717917

**Date of birth:** 17/03/1989 **Nationality:** Moldovan

### ABOUT ME

With over a decade of experience under my belt, I've led all aspects of operations in manufacturing, spearheading major investment projects within the mining and manufacturing industries. Driven by a vision for growth, I've developed and implemented successful business strategies, fostering high-performing teams of over 100 members across various departments.

As a meticulous manager, I prioritize financial transparency, implementing strategies that optimized budgets across the entire company. My experience extends to overseeing and managing large-scale investment projects, ensuring they deliver maximum returns. This efficiency-driven approach extends beyond financials, as I've also spearheaded operational excellence projects, resulting in significant cost reductions and increased productivity.

Furthermore, my experience transcends borders, having built strong working relationships with companies in Europe, China, and post-Soviet countries. My diverse background translates into a deep understanding of different regulations, cultures, and business practices, allowing me to navigate complex international endeavors with ease. My expertise extends beyond operations management, encompassing a comprehensive understanding of accounting, finance, risk management, and legal matters. This multi-faceted skillset equips me to tackle diverse challenges head-on, making informed decisions based on a holistic perspective.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

[ 27/11/2023 – Current ]

#### Mayor of Biruinta City

**Biruinta City Hall** | [www.biruinta.md](http://www.biruinta.md)

**City:** Biruinta | **Country:** Moldova | **Email address:** [primaria.biruinta@apl.gov.md](mailto:primaria.biruinta@apl.gov.md)

#### Leadership & Representation:

- Set strategic vision, represent city, preside over council, deliver speeches, advocate for city needs.

#### Policy & Legislation:

- Develop & propose legislation, review & approve/veto council decisions, sign executive orders, manage budget, stay informed.

#### Management & Administration:

- Oversee departments, appoint personnel, monitor performance, manage budget, negotiate contracts.

#### Community Engagement & Development:

- Hold public forums, work with community groups, promote economic development, oversee infrastructure, address public safety.

[ 31/05/2018 – 27/12/2023 ]

#### Member of Administration Council

**J.S.C. "Cariera de granit și pietriș din Soroca"** | [www.cariera-cosauti.md](http://www.cariera-cosauti.md)

**Address:** str. Cosăuți, 4, 3005, Soroca, Moldova | **Email address:** [info@cariera-cosauti.md](mailto:info@cariera-cosauti.md) | **Name of unit or department:** Administrația | **Business or sector:** Mining and quarrying

- Process management administrators
- Evaluation of company administration

- Elaboration of enterprise development strategies
- Risk assessment
- Internal audit of the company
- Development of internal industrial security strategy

[ 30/06/2020 – 27/12/2023 ] **Technical and operations director**

**GRANIT UNIC**

**City:** Biruinta

- Coordination of the technological process
- Elaboration of the Technological Regulation and the evidence of conformity of the technological requirements
- Management of the quality assurance process in the production activity, according to existing procedures and standards
- Developing the draft investment plan in accordance with the existing approved budget, in order to improve the occupancy of existing production capacities and to create new capacities

[ 30/06/2012 – 30/12/2017 ] **Commercial director**

**S.R.L. "GHIPS-BIRUINȚA"** [www.gips.md](http://www.gips.md)

**Address:** str. Industrială,, 15, 6202, Bliuinița, Moldova | **Email address:** [office@gips.md](mailto:office@gips.md)  
 | **Name of unit or department:** Comercial | **Business or sector:** Manufacturing

- Development of the sales and procurement plan
- Managing sales and procurement processes
- Development of the vendor selection process
- Managing risk management
- Management of after-sales service and warranty
- Participation in the development of production technologies
- Participation in decision-making
- Carrying out training for marketing and sales staff

[ 31/08/2017 – 27/12/2023 ] **Administrator**

**S.R.L. "VISMUT LUX"** [www.vismut-lux.srl](http://www.vismut-lux.srl)

**Address:** str. 1 Mai, 30, 6202, Biruinița, Moldova | **Email address:** [office@vismut-lux.srl](mailto:office@vismut-lux.srl)  
 | **Name of unit or department:** Administrația | **Business or sector:** Manufacturing

- Management of affections
- HR relations
- Elaboration of the enterprise development strategy
- Managing commercial and accounting processes
- Management of technological and technical processes
- External trade relations

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

[ 31/08/2013 – 30/06/2017 ] **Licence Electrical Engineering**

**Technical University of Moldova, Energetical Faculty** [www.utm.md](http://www.utm.md)

**Address:** str. 31 August 1989, 2004, Chișinău, Moldova |

[ 31/08/2017 – 14/07/2019 ] **Master degree in Technical Science**

**Technical University of Moldova, Energetical Faculty** [www.utm.md](http://www.utm.md)

**Address:** Bd. Ștefan cel Mare, 168, 2004, Chișinău, Moldova |

[ 14/09/2017 – 19/07/2019 ] **Master degree Electrical Engineering**

**Ștefan cel Mare University, Suceava, Romania** [fiesc.usv.ro](http://fiesc.usv.ro)

**Address:** Str. Universitatii, 13, 720229, Suceava, Romania |

**LANGUAGE SKILLS**

**Mother tongue(s):** Russian, Romanian

## Other language(s):

### English

LISTENING C2 READING C2 WRITING C1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 SPOKEN INTERACTION B2

### German

LISTENING B1 READING C2 WRITING B1

## Supporters

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A2 SPOKEN INTERACTION A2

Sak'art'velos mtsyanet'a partia, Georgia, Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, Partido Ecologista

Os Verdes, Europa Verde - Verdi

LISTENING C2 READING C1 WRITING A2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A2 SPOKEN INTERACTION A2

*Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user*

## DIGITAL SKILLS

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### My Digital Skills

Navigare Internet | Social Media | Utilizare buna a programelor de comunicare(mail messenger skype) | Microsoft Office | AutoCAD 2021 | PLC Programming | EvoLux | 1C

## SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

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[ 23/03/2021 – Current ]

**"IMPREUNA PENTRU VIITOR" NGO** BIRUINTA, Republic of Moldova

- President and Founder of the NGO.
- Local, regional and national projects implementation
- Voluntary activity

## PUBLICATIONS

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[ 2017 ]

**Pre-feasability study of a windpark in Trifanesti village**





**Draft**

**Title:** Joanna Kaminska

**Tabled by:** Zieloni

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://vimeo.com/1021477011>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**



## Curriculum Vitae (PDF) EGP Committee candidacy - Poland, Zieloni, Joanna Kaminska

Dear European Green friends,

I am writing to ask for your support of my candidacy for a member of the EGP committee.

As a dedicated and long-standing party member of Zieloni, I am deeply committed to advancing the values of environmental sustainability, social justice, political transparency and democracy building in Europe and outside.

My political, academic and professional career since almost two decades is fully focused on advancing those values at different levels -at national level in Poland, at local level in Brussels and at the EU level in the European institutions. Since years, I am bridging local and European, as an active member of Zieloni in Poland, locally elected member of the council with Ecolo in Brussels and as a mediator and advisor in the European Parliament. I want to bring my passion for our political family and commitment to our values to the EGP committee.

Since the start of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, I have stood as a mediator, bridging divides and fostering dialogue between Ukrainian politicians that are at the most challenging point that no politician would ever want to find himself or herself - forging democracy while facing an existential threat. I believe that in next years, we need to build stronger presence and visibility of our Green family across Europe. We live in dark times for democracy and we must shape new change in Europe based on our values.

I would like to bring my experience in foreign and security affairs to the EGP committee and build more internal expertise on issues related to conflict management, mediation, dialogue facilitation but also on changing nature of war and security. I want us, the Greens not only to shape but to create a narrative on connection on climate and security, AI, migration, poverty and security, as well as energy and security.

I would like also to bring my expertise on democracy building and dialogue facilitation to new and smaller parties in the EGP family and I would like us to be present on the ground and use more of the expertise sharing between all parties.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Dublin, I hope you will support me and vote for me!

Best wishes,

Joanna



Joanna Kaminska, PhD

### **EDUCATION:**

**PhD; Royal Holloway, University of London** Department of Politics and International Relations/  
British Chevening Scholar 2006 Dissertation: *Influence of new EU members on the Eastern Dimension of the EU's external relations: The case of Poland*

Postgraduate Certificate in Skills of Teaching to Inspire Learning (inSTILL) the **Higher Education Academy, University of London**, United Kingdom

**Double MA in Political Science and International Relations**, University of Warsaw

**Certificat d'Etudes Politiques (CEP) Institute d'Etudes Politiques (Science Po)** in Aix-en-Provence, France (L'Université d'Aix- Marseille III) In French

### **POLITICAL EXPERIENCE:**

#### **Polish Green Party Zieloni**

- Member of the Party Management Council leading the party and formulating strategic priorities
- Candidate for the European Parliament elections in June 2024
- representing the party at the European level (EGP delegate)
- Co-president of the Polish Greens in Brussels (since 2019)

#### **Belgian party Ecolo Brussels**

**Municipal Council member** (conseillere communal) in Brussels municipality of Etterbeek with Belgian Green party Ecolo, elected representative 2018-2024:

- First ever Polish municipal council member in Brussels;
- Member of 7 municipal committees deciding on the budget, environment, animal well-being, urbanisation (municipality of 50.000 residents)

### **LANGUAGES:**

Polish, English, French, Italian, Russian

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**European Parliament, Mediation and Inter-party Dialogue Support Unit**  
**Mediation and Capacity Building Advisor on Ukraine;**

Since February  
2022

**Supporters**

Facilitating the inter-party dialogue and compromise between 6 party leaders in the Ukrainian Parliament (Verkhovna Rada);  
• Bringing the majority and minority in Ukraine to the agreement and build some compromise on strategic priorities during the wartime, which led to mediation round in Ukraine in 2023;  
• Setting the European administration's priorities, in all mediation rounds in Ukraine during the war.  
• GroenLinks, Stranka mladih, Zeleni Evropa, PROGRES2VIE, Miljøpartiet de grønne, Les Écologistes, Europe Écologie Les Verts, Miszemsz, politika platforma, Verdes Equo, Ecolo, Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, SF - Green Left, déi gréng, Die Grünen, Die Grüne Alternative, Irish Green Party, Ombudantas Glas, Vihreät - De Gröna, LIVRE, Demokrat? s? Junga „Vardan Lietuvos

**European Parliament, Cabinet of the President David Sassoli**  
**Foreign Policy Advisor to the President**

September  
2019-January  
2022

- Advising the President on the Eastern Neighbourhood, in particular on bringing Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia closer to the EU.
- Supporting Belarus opposition during 2020-21 protests.
- initiating the EP's policy of support to Navalny and human rights defenders in Russia, reinforcing EU's sanction policy toward Russia;
- reinforcing the EU's strategy of the energy security in High North and Arctic;

**Policy Advisor at Foreign Affairs Committee, European Parliament**

February 2013 -  
July  
2019

- advising the members of the European parliament on changing policy towards Russia, Ukraine, Georgia, Moldova, Belarus;
- negotiations of leading EU external action legislation, in particular European Neighbourhood Instrument regulation (2014-2020) bringing the major fanatical assistance to Ukraine;

**European Commission, Policy Officer-Horizontal Coordinator, Secretariat General**

March 2010  
- January  
2013

**Other activities and hobbies:**

Artists and a painter with number of exhibitions in Europe; nature lover and a hiker

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**Title:** Wanja Kaufmann

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

# MOTIVATION LETTER

W A N J A K A U F M A N N

Dear green friends,

My name is Wanja, and I am running for committee member of the European Green Party. Over the past 14 years, I have dedicated my life to the green movement in different ways. One of the most important things I have learnt throughout these years is that we, the Greens, are at our absolute best when we get to meet, exchange experiences, and learn from each other.

The European Green Movement is building on a huge diversity of organisational and political cultures – from Georgia in the East to Ireland in the West, and from Malta in the South to most northern Sweden. Over the past years, we have as a movement become better and better at listening to each other, appreciating the fact that the different contexts that we operate in give us all unique experiences and valuable expertise to bring to the table. However, in my experience, there is still a lack of understanding of how to best include voices from smaller parties – especially southern and eastern member parties. **We need to work actively on becoming better at drawing on different views and experiences in EGP-level policymaking processes.** As an EGP committee member, I want to work actively on improving internal policy making processes, and strengthening the position of small parties – with a focus on parties in Eastern Europe and in the Balkans. I expand further on this in my vision outline.

I joined the Greens back in 2010, as a young green activist in my hometown of Falun. My reason for joining back then was the fact that the Sweden Democrats – the right wing racist party – was about to gain seats in the Swedish parliament for the first time ever. I wanted to make sure that I was contributing everything I could to the opposite of what they stood for – open borders, anti-racism, and an active international de-colonialist peace engagement. 14 years later, the Sweden Democrats are Sweden's second biggest party and I am convinced that my reasons for joining the Greens are more relevant and important than ever. **And I am convinced that we, as Greens, need to continue to be the strongest voice possible for human rights, open borders, anti-racism and de-colonialism.** The green transition needs to be a just one – in Europe and Globally.

Currently, I am the chair of the Green Forum Foundation – an organisation dedicated to the strengthening of Green parties around the world through budget support, capacity building and international exchange. Previously, I have served as the international secretary of the Swedish Young Greens, and Executive committee member and member organisation coordinator of FYEG, as well as in other roles where international exchange and interaction with other Green parties – in Europe and globally – have been a core part of the daily work. Throughout the many interactions I have had with greens from all parts of Europe (and the World), I have gotten more and more convinced that there is a realistic possibility for every single country to have a strong and active Green party, challenging the system and driving progressive, green change – **we just need to learn how to allocate the resources of the joint green movement properly**. One way to do this is to **streamline what I like to call the “green support system”**. I expand further on this in my vision outline.

I am a doer, I am a great team mate and I like to think that I am good at making people feel included – in social settings as well as in political negotiations. I am also a queen of structure, and I never leave a meeting without a clear to-do list. Furthermore, I know the Green European Movement like the back of my hand. I like to think that all of these things make me a good candidate for EGP committee member.

In the coming mandate, my ambition is to travel a lot (especially to the Balkans and Eastern Europe), meet a lot of greens around Europe and work for a European Green Party that becomes even more inclusive, more efficient and stronger than we are today. I hope to get the honour to receive your votes at the congress in Dublin in December, and to get to represent not only the Nordics but the whole of EGP’s member party base over the next few years.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to respond to them – either via email, WhatsApp, Instagram or through a Zoom call. Find my contact data below.

All the best – and see you soon in Dublin!



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# VISION

W A N J A K A U F M A N N

As stated in my motivation letter, I am running for committee member for the European Green Party. This document outlines my vision for the European Green Party and what I want to focus my work on during the coming mandate.

My vision is a Europe where every country has a strong Green party that engages youth as well as marginalised groups, and that actively participates in and is successful in elections on all levels. My vision is also a European Green movement where smaller parties have the possibility to feel included and heard to the same extent as big green parties that have been around for decades. There is not one correct version of what a Green Europe looks like.

To achieve the above requires time, dedication and the efforts of many, many greens around Europe. In order to facilitate this development and to drive, I do however think that there are a few things that the European Green Party can and should take on as key tasks in the coming years:

## **Streamlining the European Green “support system”**

As outlined in my motivation letter, I have throughout the many interactions I have had with greens from all parts of Europe gotten more and more convinced that there is a realistic possibility for every single country to have a strong and active green party, challenging the system and driving progressive, green change – we just need to learn how to properly allocate the resources of the joint green movement. Today, many green parties in Western and Northern Europe have foundations affiliated with them – some examples of such foundations are Green Forum (Sweden, which I am the chair of), Heinrich Böll Stiftung (Germany), De Helling (Netherlands) and SF (Denmark). Many of these foundations support green parties in Eastern Europe and the Balkans with budget support, logistical support, capacity building, training and meeting facilitation. To some extent, these foundations already coordinate their efforts with each other to maximise efficiency, but the coordination with the EGP – another “support” body, who also supports parties in Eastern Europe and the Balkans, but rather through networking, policy and campaign support – is almost non-existent. I strongly believe that the EGP and the foundations could, by joining forces (and invite other relevant bodies, like for example GEF, FYEG and the Global Greens) achieve much more in a much shorter time than we are today, by providing the right kind of combined, specific support to the parties that need it and for whom it is most relevant at a given time.



I want the EGP to be a driving force in this coordination work. As an EGP committee member, I want to initiate the setup of a platform for exchange and knowledge sharing, and call for regular coordination meetings between EGP, the foundations and other relevant bodies.

### **More inclusive processes for joint policy development**

#### **Curriculum Vitae [PDF]**

Over the past years, we have as a movement become better and better at listening to each other, appreciating the fact that the different contexts that we operate in give us all unique experiences and valuable expertise to bring to the table. However, there is, in my experience, still a lack of understanding of how to best include voices from smaller parties. Today, the way our federation responds to voices from smaller parties who represent a political minority is often with lack of patience and a call for “willingness to compromise”, rather than a will to truly understand the contexts that these parties are operating in and accept differences. The EGP should talk with a joint voice when possible, but where this is not an option, it should not be forced – instead, we should stand (and, where relevant, announce) proudly with the fact that we are an inclusive organisation where very diverse parties around Europe can work together and unite around a set of core values. In order to understand each other better and include the whole variety of different green voices within our federation, we should however aim to make our policy making processes (both processes leading up to congresses and other processes in between) more inclusive and representative, so that all our member parties feel that their voices have been heard, regardless of what the outcome is. As an EGP committee member, I want to deep dive into this topic and explore how to best set the ground for more inclusive policy making processes, through separate consultations with all EGP member parties.

### **Increased focus on strengthening the Balkans, Eastern Europe and Caucasus**

Over the past decade, young green activists have taken both the streets and the political offices in many Balkan and Eastern European countries. At the same time, many green parties in this part of Europe are still quite young (new), working with minimal resources and operating in difficult political contexts. In order for the green parties in the Balkans, Eastern Europe and Caucasus to thrive and reach their full potential, the EGP should support them in all ways possible – with financial and logistical resources (for example by partnering/coordinating with green foundations, like mentioned above), networking, capacity building and campaign support. As an EGP committee member, I want to travel to the Balkans, Eastern Europe and Caucasus regularly during the coming mandate to meet, network with, and participate at events of the greens, with the aim of gaining a deeper understanding for the needs and wishes for support, and build successful strategies for strengthening green parties in the region.

Do you have any questions about – or input on – my vision for the EGP? Feel free to reach out – you can find my contact details at the bottom of my motivation letter.

# Wanja Kaufmann

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## SUMMARY

Experienced political advisor, team leader and project manager with a proven track record in public affairs, international development, and policy making. Skilled in strategic planning, project and partnership management, financial planning, and advocacy. Thematic expertise: climate and energy, human rights, and international development cooperation.

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## POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

### **Chair & Board member, Green Forum, Stockholm**

*Jan 2018 - present*

- Lead strategic decision-making for partnerships with green organisations in Eastern Europe, Sub-Saharan Africa, and Latin America; focus on green party development, democratic inclusion, citizen involvement, and youth engagement.
- Oversee yearly salary revisions for the general secretary.
- Serve as a sounding board to the general secretary regarding financial, recruitment, and programme-related matters.
- Lead the board's work, including agenda preparation, meeting management, and team building.

### **Delegation leader, Swedish delegation to the European Green Party, Stockholm/remote**

*May 2017 – present*

- Coordinating the Swedish EGP delegation's work before, around and after EGP congresses. This includes organising and preparing pre-meetings, overseeing negotiations at CAS sessions, logistics planning together with the international secretary, and contact with other delegations.
- Responsible for ongoing contact with EGP office and committee representatives.

### **Member organisation coordinator & Executive committee member, Federation of Young European Greens, Brussels & Remote**

*Apr 2020 - May 2022*

- Coordinated a network of 36 young green organisations across Europe.
- Facilitated dialogues, monitored regional network platforms, and led strategic planning, including budgeting.
- Moderated and facilitated various seminars, workshops, bilateral dialogues, regional network meetings with members of the European Parliament, grass root activists and NGO representatives.
- Introduced a new mapping system of the member organisations' needs, improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the support we could provide as an umbrella organisation.

### **Members and voters relations & deputy international secretary, Swedish Green Party's parliamentary office, Stockholm**

*Feb - Nov 2018*

- Managed communication channels during the 2018 parliamentary election campaign.
- Managed and answered phone calls, emails and letters being sent to the party.
- Supported members of parliament at events and debates, including speech preparation.
- Organised seminars, study trips, and supported local and regional Green party officials.
- Led the relationship with other Green parties and federations on a Nordic, European, and Global level.

### **International secretary, Swedish Young Greens, Stockholm**

*Feb 2017 - Feb 2020*

- Supervised a team of seven committee members and led strategic planning and budgeting.
- Represented the organisation in public political debates about e. g. international development, trade, foreign policy, aid, security and defense.
- Organised international activities for members, including study trips to Brussels and policy development trainings.
- Coordinated cooperation with green youth organisations and federations on a Nordic, European and Global level.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **PR & Public affairs advisor, Westander, Stockholm/London**

*Apr 2023 - present*

- Advising clients on public affairs and press strategy, with the aim of ensuring successful participation in public debate, positive societal change and business success. This includes strategy drafting, stakeholder management and event planning.
- Specialised on clients within the renewable energy sector, mainly wind power (in Sweden and internationally).
- Developed a comprehensive platform for clients to oversee and monitor (onshore and offshore) wind power projects in Sweden, including tools for assessing the likelihood of project success and the incentives for investing in both greenfield and acquired projects.

- Represented the company at various exhibitions and conferences.

**Programme manager, Sida, Stockholm**

*Sep 2020 - Mar 2023*

- Managed grant support partnerships within EU-funded mechanisms for inclusive governance, gender equality and peace building in Afghanistan, securing Sida’s ability to use the UNDP transfer window mechanism to channel funds into Afghanistan after the Taliban take-over.
- Orchestrated Sida’s partnerships with the UN and the World Bank on climate security topics, securing Sida funds to the FCV (Fragile, conflict-affected & violent settings) programme.
- Oversaw partnerships in areas of resilience, DRR, urban development, water, energy and biodiversity, as well as the WE4F (water and energy for food) challenge fund.
- Developed strategic communication plans for the MENA & peace units, increasing focus on strategic communication.
- Co-authored Sida’s Multidimensional Poverty Analysis 2020.

**Second Secretary, Swedish Embassy in Albania, Tirana**

*Sep - Dec 2021*

- Supported Albanian startups and youth businesses through the embassy’s innovation challenge fund.
- Managed EU’s Green Party of England and Wales, Esquerra Verda, Les Écologistes, Europe Écologie Les Verts, Miljøpartiet De Grønne, Zieloni, LIVRE, Scottish Green Party
- Oversaw the Embassy’s strategic planning process, leading planning days, workshops, and strategy drafting.

**Student research consultant, Dutch defense ministry, Groningen**

*Jan - Jun 2020*

- Conducted research on NATO’s 'Enhanced Forward Presence' mission in Lithuania, on behalf of the Dutch defence ministry’s CAI department.
- Analysed impact of information operations and hybrid warfare on Lithuanian citizens, focusing on mental resilience.

**ACADEMIC EDUCATION & TRAINING COURSES**

**Uppsala University / University of Groningen** — Master of Theology, International Humanitarian Action, 2019-2021

**Uppsala University** — Bachelor in Political Science and Economy, 2016-2019

**Karlstad University** — Courses in intercultural studies, 2017-2020

**Vesper group** — Hostile Environment Awareness Training, 2021

**Folk & Försvar** — Security & defense academy, 2018

**Save the children Sweden** — International aid academy, 2017

**PUBLICATIONS**

- Uppsala University (2022): "Good Water Neighbours: Direct and indirect effects of community engagement on transboundary water cooperation in the Jordan river basin"
- University of Groningen (2020): "Mental resilience in Lithuania"
- Uppsala University (2019): "Vulnerabilities in a wetter world: a study on migration as an adaptation strategy to climate change"

**Languages:** Swedish (native), Swiss German (native), German (fluent), English (fluent), French (B2), Yoruba (A2)



**Draft**

**Title:** **Maria Kola**

**Tabled by:** Cyprus Greens - Citizens Cooperation

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://youtu.be/6dseyIC7nZY>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

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,



Maria Kola  
Candidate for the Committee of the European Green Party

# MARIA KOLA

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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Available in all social media platforms

## POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

- **Vice President B', Cyprus Greens-Citizen's Cooperation (February 2022 – present)**
  - Following and monitoring the portfolio for sustainability, environment and international relations.
  - Representing the Party at events and media when necessary.
  - Running for the European Elections (2024).
- **President, Cyprus Youth Council (January 2022 – December 2023)**
  - Engaging with young people at local, national, European and International level.
  - Representing the council at the decision-making bodies at all levels, the media and wherever needed.
- **Alumni Network Co-coordinator, FYEG (October 2021 – present)**
  - Organizing online meetings with the people who have their share in FYEG.
- **Board member, Mediterranean Network of the European Green Party (September 2021 – December 2022)**
  - Preparing the agenda, and keeping the minutes of the meetings.
  - Help drafting the resolutions of the MedNet to the EGP Councils and Congress.
- **Advisory Committee member, FYEG (August 2019 – August 2021)**
  - Help FYEG EC assess the candidates for the Secretary General position.
  - Assist FYEG EC with internal issues when occurred and if needed.
- **Secretary General, Greens Women's Movement (January 2019 – March 2023)**
  - Representing the GWM on decision-making bodies at all levels, the media and wherever needed.
  - Organizing events to empower, train and raise awareness on social and environmental issues.
  - Running for the National Parliament (2021).
- **Director of Programmes Implementation, Africa, and Europe Committee of the Commonwealth Youth Council (December 2018 – December 2021)**
  - Developing the programmes and the campaigns for the African and the European regions (climate change, mental health, education etc.).
- **Consultative Body on Membership Application, Cyprus Youth Council (October 2018 – January 2022)**
  - Consulting the council's board on the membership applications.
- **International Relations Secretary, Cyprus Green Party (April 2017 – February 2022)**
  - Holding meetings with international representations in Cyprus and abroad.
  - Delegate to the European Green Party and the Global Greens.
- **Member, Structural Subgroup of the Strategic Planning Committee – FYEG (2018-2019)**
  - Forming the Strategic Plan of the organization for a 3-year term.
- **Secretary General, Young Cyprus Greens (December 2014 – January 2019)**
  - Representing the YCG to decision-making bodies in Cyprus and abroad and representing the green youth of Cyprus.
  - Running for the National Parliament (2016).
- **Vice-President B', Cyprus Youth Council (October 2013 – October 2015)**
  - Engaging with young people at local, national, European and International level.
  - Representing the council at the decision-making bodies at all levels.
- **Organizational Secretary, Young Cyprus Greens (2013 – 2014)**
  - Organizing events, campaigns, conferences, trainings and workshops.
- **Political Subgroup of the Strategic Planning Committee Member, FYEG (2017-2018)**
  - Forming the Political Plan of the year ahead.

- **Executive Committee Member, FYEG (May 2016 – May 2017)**
  - *Representing the organization to European and international events.*
  - *Being part of the preparation team of training and projects.*
  - *Coordinating the UNFCCC and COP delegations.*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Senior Data Analyst – African Bottling Operation (A.B.O.) (2023 October – present)**

**Key responsibilities:**

  1. Creation, modification and updating of internal reports for the need of the Management (market analyses of certain KPIs, trend analyses, regional analyses, price analyses, numeric/weighted distribution analyses)
  2. Customization of reporting according to the Management's needs
  3. Creation of custom reporting and presentations for Directors' and CEO's needs (based on KPIs, trend analyses, regional analyses, distribution analyses)
  4. Sales representatives performance analytics
  5. Leading and developing new projects for the improvement of the company
- **Data analyst and Client Sales & Service Executive – IAS Sinopsis Ltd (2011 September – 2023 October)**

**Key responsibilities:**

  1. Data collection from health market related actors (pharmacies (~8k SKUs per store – 270 stores all over Cyprus), pharmaceutical warehouses, pharmaceutical companies)
  2. Data management (categorization and classification of the data collected)
  3. Creation, modification and updating of the deliverables (market analyses of certain KPIs, trend analyses, regional analyses, price analyses, numeric/weighted distribution analyses)
  4. Customization of reporting according to the clients' needs
  5. Creation of custom reporting and presentations for clients' development
  6. Marketing consulting based on sales data (merchandising consulting for pharmacies)
  7. Research and consulting on new product launches – mainly for pharmaceutical companies
  8. Sales representatives performance analytics
  9. Pitching new company services to clients and in company's events
- **General Assistant – Epsilon Consulting Ltd (2012 May – 2013 December)**
- **Manager of ISO Certification – Technoplastics Ltd (2011 May – 2012 May)**
- **International Trade Department – Managing cases for International Trade – Cooperative Central Bank (2010 May – 2010 September)**
- **Sales Department – door-to-door promotion – Save Max Cyprus (2008 June – 2008 September)**

## EDUCATION

- **University of Central Lancashire Cyprus (M.Sc. in Data Analytics) – 2017 October – 2023 April**
- **University of Copenhagen (Certificate: The Sustainable Development Goals – A global, transdisciplinary vision for the future) – 2018 July – 2018 July**
- **University of Pennsylvania & UNICEF (Certificate: Social Norms, Social Change I) – 2017 January – 2017 February**
- **Quality Link Ltd (ISO Certification & Health and Safety) – 2012 February**
- **University of Cyprus (B.Sc. in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering) – 2008 September – 2014 May**
- **Erasmus Intensive Program by University of Cyprus in Agros (Environmental Studies and Sustainable Development) – 2012 August**
- **Graduated from High School and University Entrance in Engineering Faculty – 2008 June**

## SKILLS

- **Teamwork:** Member of a scout's team for 20 years, cooperation with other people, kids, or elderly.
- **Organization:** As a perfectionist I have great organizational skills.
- **Honesty and Acceptance:** I like truth and I do not have any problem talking with people that I do not know to express my opinion. Support my thoughts and accept when I am wrong.
- **Computer:** Microsoft Office, Fortran, Matlab & Simulinks, AutoCAD, Tableau, SAP functions, Oracle BI, R, SQL, SAS Visual Studio, SAS Enterprise Miner, Python (basic skills)

- **Languages:** Green (Native) □ English (IGCSE: C – 2) □ French (IGCSE: B – 1) · German (A1) · Turkish (Beginner)

## AWARDS

- **Scouts Team:** Scout with Honors of Democracy
- **Supporters**

Stranka mladih – Zeleni Evrope, Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, Miljöpartiet de gröna,

## INTERESTS

Partia e Gjelbër / Party of the Greens of Albania, Verdi - Grüne - Vërc, Ecological Green

Party - Partidul Verde Ecologist, ADPD, Verdes Equo, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie

Les Verts, Groen, Esquerra Verda

## PRO BONO RESPONSIBILITIES & VOLUNTEERING

- *National delegate, EU Youth Conference* (Online-France, January 2022)
- *Board member, Mediterranean Network of the European Green Party* (September 2021 – December 2022)
- *Ambassador, One Young World* (October 2019 – present)
- *Action Coordinator Nicosia-Cyprus, People's Climate March* (September 2014 – August 2018)
- *Youth Ambassador of EU Youth Dialogue (former Structured Dialogue), Cyprus Youth Council* (2014 –2022)
- *Commonwealth Youth Forum, National Delegate* (November 2015 – November 2017)
- *Online Radio Producer "Youth on Air" at MYCYRadio, Cyprus Youth Council* (January 2014 – July 2017)
- *COP Report, FYEG publication / contribution as a writer* (Paris-France, December 2015)





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**Title:** Jelena Miloš

**Tabled by:** Možemo! – politička platforma

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://youtu.be/ncg2daIXjV0>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

Dear Green friends,

Please allow me to present my candidacy for the EGP executive committee.

I am currently a member of the Croatian Parliament, where I serve as the Chair of the Committee for European Affairs. Additionally, I am a member of Mozemo! executive committee and I coordinate the party's international relations.

With extensive experience in trade union organising and in building Mozemo! political party from the very start, I would like to use my knowledge to help further develop EGP's party structures and campaigns and deliver on our shared vision of Europe.

I have an in-depth understanding of key debates and challenges ahead of us. As one of Mozemo's lead candidates in the 2024 European elections, I coordinated the party manifesto and was our delegate to the EGP's Manifesto Working group. Over the years, I have worked on issues such as just transition, housing, workers' and social rights. I am eager to deepen the EGP work in these areas.

As Mozemo's international coordinator, I have substantial knowledge of the political landscape across Europe, especially in the Balkan and Mediterranean countries. With this experience, I am well-positioned to help bring the issues faced by the regions to the forefront of our shared discussion, but also foster stronger connections between EGP networks, addressing shared challenges and learning from our different perspectives.

If elected, I would like to work on the following priorities:

**Strengthening strategic organizing and campaigning**

Organizing and campaigning are at the heart of any successful movement. I am committed to creating more opportunities for members to exchange best practices and effective strategies that can drive social change across Europe.

**Prioritising green and social policies**

With many Greens now in government roles at various levels, we have a unique opportunity to push forward policies that directly improve the lives of our citizens. I envision EGP as a platform to consolidate our collective knowledge and help our members implement transformative green and social policies.

**Building solidarity around shared challenges**

I would like to encourage cooperation around common challenges not only within but also between EGP networks. Many of our regions face similar problems (for example, the impact of excessive tourism and a lack of affordable housing is an issue shared by both the Balkan and Mediterranean countries). I would like to encourage the EGP networks to identify strategic priorities and foster cooperation, solidarity and coordinated action around common challenges.

I am happy to answer all your questions regarding my nomination. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Jelena

## JELENA MILOŠ

Možemo! Political Platform, Croatia

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### Supporters

Miljöpartiet de gröna, Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, PROGRES?VIE, GroenLinks, Ecolo, Verdes Equo, Green Party of England and Wales, Les Écologistes - Europe Écologie Les Verts, Groen, SF - Green Left, LIVRE, Die Grünen - Die Grüne Alternative, Vihreat - De Gröna, Europa Verde - Verdi, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas, Esquerra Verda

**SUMMARY**  
Political leader with a proven track record in organising and party building. In-depth knowledge on European affairs, green and social policies. Committed to social justice and equality, protecting the climate and the environment, defending peace and democracy.



## POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

- **2024-Present:** President, European Affairs Committee, Croatian Parliament
- **2022-Present:** Member, Croatian Parliament
- **2022-Present:** International Affairs Coordinator, Možemo! Political Party
- **2019-Present:** Executive Committee Member, Možemo! Political Party

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **2020-2022:** Project Coordinator, Uni Europa - the European Trade Union Federation, Brussels
- **2018-2020:** Programme Advisor, Institute for Political Ecology, Zagreb
- **2012-2018:** Founder and Executive Board Member, Organisation for Workers' Initiative and Democratisation, Zagreb

## EDUCATION

- **2022:** Master of Political Sciences, Université Libre de Bruxelles
- **2014:** Master of English Language and Literature and Master of Education in French Language and Literatures, Zagreb

## SKILLS

- Political Organizing and Party Building
- National and European political programme development
- In-depth Knowledge of EU and Foreign Affairs
- Strong Understanding of Southern European Political Context and Actors



**Draft**

**Title:** Rasmus Nordqvist

**Tabled by:** SF - Green Left

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LDKSNLDWtBQ>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

## Dear Friends

It's been two and a half years since our last committee election, where I was fortunate enough to earn your trust.

It has been a tremendous privilege and pleasure to be part of this work. Not least, working alongside my colleagues in the committee, the fantastic staff at EGP, and of course, meeting so many of you, speaking with you, and learning from the incredible work you are all doing every day to further our green agenda.

I believe we've made good progress during this period. We've expanded our political family, which has strengthened us all. Our election campaign was something to be proud of – out of all the parties, ours was the most European in its approach. We remained focused on bold ideas and the transformative changes we need. However, this election also clearly highlighted the challenges ahead of us.

The European Parliament election results left a lot to be desired. Some countries, like my own, performed well, even exceptionally, but the overall picture shows that we need to do better. I believe it's time for the green family to come together more closely, to be more strategic in our political agendas, and crucially, to improve how we reach out to both existing friends and allies, and, more importantly, to those we have yet to meet.

At the EGP, we must deepen our engagement with our partners in GEF, FYEG, and the Green Group in the European Parliament. Together, we need to craft strategic plans that will ensure we stand tall and strong in the upcoming elections, whether at local, national or European level - including the 2029 European election. And this work must start now.

More than ever, the need for our political agenda is clear. A just green transition cannot wait, as local communities are facing devastating climate impacts daily – too much water in some places, drought in others, heatwaves, fires, and winds in a scale that we're not used to. This has become the new normal. So why aren't we stronger in every member state, both inside and outside the EU?

I don't have all the answers, but I have some, and I believe that together we can come up with even more – and better – solutions. But we need to step outside our own bubble. When we know our policies can help local communities tackle the challenges they face, why aren't they more united with us? When we know that a green policy agenda offers businesses a stronger future, why aren't they standing closer to us? We may have part of the answer, but if we truly want to stand with, behind, and in front of local communities, activists, and progressive businesses, we need to reach out and engage them. It's only by talking to them, working with them, and co-creating solutions that we can expect them to stand proudly with their local green candidates. I believe we can do much better in this regard.

We need to learn from our successes and, with open minds, seek out new solutions. As Greens, people expect us to be bold and creative.

I want to continue working towards a stronger and more strategic European Green Party. There is a real need for us, and I ask for your support to continue being part of this important work.

Yours,  
**Rasmus**



## Supporters

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**1975** Born 18th of July.

**1999** Graduated The Royal Danish Academy, School of Design.

**1999-2015** Work in Paris, Berlin and Copenhagen, both own design studio, as consultant and as teachers at various design colleges.

**2015-2022** Member of The Danish Parliament. Spokesperson on among other areas climate & nature. Agriculture & fisheries. European- & foreign affairs. Member of the Council of Europe and Nordic Council.

**2022** Elected member of The EGP Committee.

**2024** Member of The European Parliament – active in Environment, Fisheries and Budget committees.



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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

## **Elīna Pinto – Candidate for the EGP Committee – Motivation**

Today, my motivation to strengthen and reinvigorate the European Greens is even stronger than a year ago. At the time I spoke with all our EGP family members – from the Baltic Sea to the Black Sea, from the Adriatic to the Atlantic coasts as part of my bid for our *Spitzenkandidat* selection.

Since then, we have fought together for our values at the European Elections. Together we face the growing affront to these values by far-right radicals, climate apathy, violent autocrats and their war machines. I am committed, energised and ready to support and steer this common cause as part of the EGP leadership team.

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Together, we are stronger. For me, this means equal representation of the smaller but promising EGP members from the Baltic Sea Region, Eastern and Central Europe, and the South. Beyond the EU current borders – Ukraine and elsewhere. These regions are at the frontlines of our values. It is where we have had important recent wins that need to be solidified.

This does not mean creation of blocks within the EGP, but close and meaningful links and two-way engagement with the traditional green players in the heartlands of Europe. My longstanding European work, family and friendships equip me for understanding and blending these different perspectives into a mutually reinforcing, truly European approach.

My three children, when asked where they come from, answer that they are Europeans: belonging at the same time on the sandy Baltic coast, in a mountain village in Portugal and in the City of Luxembourg. We know in our family how it is to be on the very edge of Europe, and at the same time belong to its very heart, - and that one cannot do without the other. This is the leadership approach I embrace.

II

I represent a party which has built its upsurge on a progressive approach. We recognize that social and green policies reinforce each other. We have delivered results on equality and human rights, all while embracing policy areas that are not traditional for the greens, like defence and crisis resilience.

My own presidential and European campaign reached out to grassroots and regions, delivering new voters beyond upper-middle class urbanites: also elderly and underprivileged, farmers and firefighters (myself, I am training to become one).





With this approach and our experience in the government, we at *Progresivie* are testing a new ground for lasting political change: with greens that are ready to govern across the board, engage partners, reach out to new audiences, resist disinformation and break reactionary stalemates.

It is **Curriculum Vitae PDF** like mistakes as well. But these experiences of the EGP members are invaluable and our best exchange currency for shared success. I want to strengthen the EGP as a hub for inspiration and best practice exchange on campaigning and governing. A hub for strategic coordination, communication and countering disinformation.

III

I now ask for your trust and support as you select the new EGP Committee, your key ally and support base for the coming complicated years. I come equipped with what I call “strategic impatience for structural change”. An approach that marries defiant activism for our values with constructive listening, tactical planning and professional maturity.

As a team player, I look forward to working towards our shared goals and will be there for you and next to you as we go for more and more green wins. The planet and the people deserve this. These wins are desperately needed, and there is no time to waste.

Yours,

*Elina Pinto*





# ELĪNA PINTO

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## EXPERTISE

EU & International affairs  
Security, Defence, Crisis  
response and resilience  
Human Rights, Rule of Law,  
Civil Society, Democratisation  
Asylum, migration, mobile EU  
citizens  
Sustainability & Green policies  
Public Governance & Reform  
Communication & Outreach

## EDUCATION

### MA Law

University of Latvia, Riga  
1999-2004

### European Law & Politics

Université Nancy II & University  
of Latvia Certificate, Riga  
2001-2002

### E.MA Human Rights and Democratisation

Global Campus of Human  
Rights, Venice/Strasbourg  
2004-2005

### Public Policy Innovation

London School of Economics,  
UK, Executive Education, 2022

### Sustainable Finance

University of Luxembourg,  
Executive Education, 2023

## PROFILE

Progressive green politician and mature public policy professional with a solid track record in national, EU and international public service, public value advocacy and political engagement.

Experience in EU and international negotiations, worked in support of senior decision-makers on strategic policy advice and coordination. Skilled in policy and legal analysis and drafting. Management experience of teams, projects & budgets.

A passionate European & structural optimist. Love outdoors and chorus singing.

## POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT

Spitzenkandidat nominee for EGP & National Lead candidate for the EP elections (Progresīvie, Latvia, G/EFA) 2024

Co-chair of the Supervisory Council, Co-chair of Jelgava Regional Section (Progresīvie, Latvia) 2023-2024

Candidate for the elections of the President of Latvia 2023

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Strategic policy advice and coordination

Cabinet of the President of Latvia, Advisor to the President on Sustainability and Modern State 2019 - 2020

EEAS Corporate Board, Advisor to DSG on Crisis management, defence, human rights and inter-institutional relations 2010- 2012

Council Secretariat, DGE, Policy assistant to DG for foreign policy and politico-military affairs 2007- 2009

## LANGUAGES

Latvian (mother tongue)

### Supporters

French (professional)

English (professional)

Portuguese (intermediate)

Luxembourgish

(conversational)

German (basic)

Ukrainian (basic)

Russian (professional)

## PUBLICATIONS KEYNOTES

Steering responses to climate change from the centre of government: A stocktaking, OECD Publishing, Paris, 2023

Public sector – sustainability inspector, investor or innovator?, keynote, Sustainable business shapers forum “Ilgbūtība”, Riga, 2022

Rethinking economy – The wellbeing economy for women’s economic empowerment, keynote, Novatore Impact Summit, Riga, 2022

Poverty – Invisible, Inaudible, Inevitable? Opened, delfi.lv, 2018

European Environmental Law – Air and Water Legislation, Monography, Eurofaculty Publishing, Riga, 2003

## Advocacy & Stakeholder engagement

EC Representation in Luxembourg, Team Leader 2023-2024

Communication and Outreach

President, Board Member, European Latvian Association 2013-2022

NGO Representative at the National Tripartite Council of Latvia 2017-2019

Ombudman’s Office of Latvia, Human Rights Director 2006-2007

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## CIVIL SOCIETY & VOLUNTEER

Volunteer Firefighting Corps, Trainee, Engures BUB unit, Latvia 2023-2024

Advisory Board, NOVATORE Impact Summit for Women’s Economic Empowerment, Riga, Latvia 2021-2022

Good-will ambassador for the European Anti-Poverty Network Latvia 2018

Juror, “Innovation in Politics Awards”, Innovation in Politics Institute, Vienna, Austria 2018-2024

Board Member, Europeans Throughout the World 2020-2024

Board Member, European Movement Latvia 2015-2022



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<https://youtu.be/zMxv7TkRcu0>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

## Molly Scott Cato: Motivation Letter

I'm excited about the idea of working with friends and colleagues from across Europe to support the Green Parties, increase protections for our climate and our natural world, and defend and revitalise our democracies.

### **Curriculum Vitae [PDF]**

I have been a member of the Green Party of England and Wales (GPEW) for more than 35 years, serving at all levels inside and outside the party. I have been spokesperson for the GPEW on Economy and Finance for more than a decade and the External Communications Coordinator for EWGP since 2020. I will soon be stepping back from these roles.

I had the honour to serve in the European Parliament between 2014 and 2020, representing South West England and Gibraltar. During this time I was on the Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and was the Parliament's rapporteur on sustainable finance. I am a Professor of Economics and happy to lend that knowledge and experience to the committee. I also served on the Parliament's Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

I campaigned vigorously for the UK to remain a member of the EU and am currently Vice Chair of the European Movement UK. My purpose there is to end the silence around the question of our membership of the EU. The European Movement has EU membership as its objective and I'm proud to work with them to keep that issue alive. I have participated in a number of events for the Green European Foundation and written articles for their journal, including [this futuristic one](#) that probably says more about my personal dreams than anything else!

Since the end of my time as an MEP, I have focused on my national party, taking a role on the national executive as External Communications Coordinator. I was instrumental in our communications that led to our historic election result in the general election in July 2014. I would be offering myself to the committee with the particular function of communications.

I believe that green parties across Europe have a historic role of being outside the establishment politics that citizens are turning against, while standing firmly behind democracy and citizen engagement. This deliberate attack on democracy is something I came to understand during the campaign against Brexit, and I want to work with other green parties across our continent to be part of the vital work of defending democracy against autocracy, disinformation and fascism.

I studied Politics, Philosophy and Economics at Oxford University and took a PhD in Economics from the University of Wales. I have written and published on resilient local economies, cooperatives and social enterprise, sustainable finance, monetary policy and tax policy. I live in Stroud, a small, but vibrant town in rural Gloucestershire am on the core group of my local community farm.

## Molly Scott Cato

### Curriculum Vitae

<b>Date of birth</b>	21 May 1963
<b>Nationality</b>	British
<b>Education</b>	PhD in Economics, 1996-2000 Department of Economics, University College of Wales, Aberystwyth  MSc in Advanced Social Research Methods 1988-91 Open University (part-time)  BA (Hons), class II (upper) in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, 1982-1985 St. Hugh's College, University of Oxford
<b>Experience</b>	
2020-2024	External Communications Coordinator, England and Wales Green Party
2014-2020	Member of the European Parliament for South West England  Member of the European Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, responsible for the regulation of financial services, taxation and competition policies, and oversight of the European Central Bank  Member of four tax inquiry committees and Green rapporteur on two tax inquiry reports  European Parliament Rapporteur on sustainable finance
2001-2024	Economics Speaker, England and Wales Green Party
2012-present	Professor of Green Economics, Roehampton University Business School (now emerita)
2008-2012	Reader in Green Economics and Director of Cardiff Institute for Co-operative Studies, Cardiff School of Management
2002-2008	Lecturer, then Senior Lecturer in Social Economy, University of Wales Institute, Cardiff
1990-2002	Freelance copy-editor for Oxford University Press of academic journals <i>European Sociological Review</i> and <i>European Journal of Social Work</i>

## Political history in GPEW

1988	Joined UK Green Party
1990	Member and later co-chair of GP Regional Council
1992-2007	Active member of Wales Green Party; stood for election as MP and MEP
2001-present	Spokesperson on Finance and Economy
2011	Elected as councillor in Stroud
2012	Led Green Group on Stroud District Council in to governing coalition with
2014	Elected as MEP
2019	Re-elected as MEP
2020-present	External Communications Coordinator on GPEW Executive

## Achievements as MEP

Parliamentary Rapporteur on Sustainable Finance

- Legislation on low-carbon benchmarks
- Legislation on disclosures relating to sustainable investments

Green Rapporteur on tax committees

- Contribution to debates on financial crime, tax evasion and tax avoidance
- Risks of money laundering and the EU banking sector
- Harmonising and simplifying EU VAT rules
- Automatic exchange of tax information
- Debate on the Paradise Papers

Oversight of EU banking system

- Questioning of Bank Governors Mario Draghi and Christine Lagarde
- Proposal of Green QE
- Contribution to greening of the ECB

Member of the Agriculture Committee

- Contributions on the sustainable use of pesticides
- Transparency and sustainability in the food chain
- Possibility of the restriction or prohibition of GMOs

Defence of democracy

Contribution to the debate on Cambridge Analytica

Contribution to a series of debates about Brexit

Member of the Latin America delegation including negotiating resolutions on human rights in Guatemala, Venezuela, El Salvador, Nicaragua

## Other public service

- 2022-present Vice Chair of the European Movement UK  
Leading a programme of visits to European capitals to assess the conditions and timeframe for the UK to rejoin the EU.
- 2023-present Member of the core group of Stroud Community Agriculture
- 2018-2022 Member of the Council of the European Movement UK
- 2013-2015 [Member](#) of the Welsh Government's Cooperative Commission
- 2013-2014 Chair of Audit and Standards Committee, Stroud District Council
- 2010-2013 Board Member of Meadow Prospect, the regeneration arm of Rhondda Cynon Taff communities homes
- 2009-2012 Director of Transition Stroud
- 2008-2010 Member of the Advisory Group of the Equality Trust
- 2007-2014 Director of Stroud Common Wealth
- 2005-2010 Member of the Exec Committee of Cooperatives and Mutuals Wales

## Public engagement (recent selection)

### *Media activity*

I have appeared on flagship broadcast programmes including Today, pm, Newsnight, Channel 4 News and Any Questions. I have published op eds on platforms such as Guardian Opinion, Indy Voices, and the Ecologist. I have also published blogs on platforms such as UK in a Changing Europe and LSE Europe.

### *Invited Keynotes and Panels*

- 2024 The Journey Home, presentation to the Italian Democratic Party, London, January
- LSE lecture: The European Union and Climate Change: a rendezvous with destiny or with reality? February
- The Journey Home: How Can We Return to the Heart of Europe? Presentation to Cornwall for Europe, March
- 2023 Who Owns the Future, SECA Annual Sustainability Lecture, Queens University Belfast



What is the role of an economist in a climate and ecological emergency?  
Presentation to the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Degrowth Conference, Zagreb, August.

EU Research Centre Sustainable Finance Summer School, Ispra, July.

The Economics of Human Flourishing conference, Leuven, June.

Panel on Net Zero at Greenfields Speakers' Forum, Glastonbury Festival, with Lord Deben and Professor Kevin Anderson, June.

What Comes after the SDGs?, Leeds University Horizon Institute, June.

Tomorrow's World, Exeter University, June.

'How can we save our climate? Understanding the challenges of climate change adaptation and exploring business and management responses', British Academy of Management online, May.

'Is there an alternative to growth, growth, growth?', with Caroline Lucas, Paul Ekins, and Tim Jackson, LSE, March.

2022 Confronting Climate Crisis: Where is the New Normal, Greenhouse thinktank panel event, House of Lords, December.

'Can we solve the climate crisis by working together?', Royal Economics Society, Warwick University, April.

Energy, Security and Climate: Rethinking the UK's Place within Europe, Annual Julian Priestley Memorial Lecture, Somerville College, Oxford, May.

Women, Solidarity and Ecology, Laudato Si' Conference, Oxford, July.

Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation, Ukraine War and Energy Security, July.

2021 Panel at the PSA21 Annual Conference on Resilience, Expertise, Hope, Queen's University Belfast, online, March.

The Bioregional Economy, Mundekulla, Sweden, August.

Land, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness, Biodistretto Tuscany, October.

Making the Polluters Pay and Sharing the Proceeds Fairly, GPEW event at COP26, November.

5 Years after Paris: Walking the Talk, GEF event at COP26, December.

2020 Chichester Friends Annual Peace Lecture, November.

Women, Solidarity, and Ecology Conference, Campion Hall, Oxford, June.

The future of Europe: ensuring economic stability and sustainability, European University Institute, Florence, April

The economics of the climate emergency, Warwick University Economics 360 lecture series, March

The future of Britain's relationship with the EU, panel hosted by Warwick Economics Summit, January

- Land for the many, panel with George Monbiot, Oxford Real Farming Conference, January
- 2019 Implementing the EU Action Plan for Sustainable Finance, [panel](#) at UN Environment Programme Financial Initiative Conference, Paris, July
- Industrial Strategy for zero carbon, automation and equality, panel contribution, Martyrs' Marquee, Tolpuddle, July
- What can I do about climate change?, panel chaired by Ritula Shah at Lovelock Centenary Event, The Forum, University of Exeter
- Can we trust markets to do the right thing? Mainstreaming Sustainable Finance, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sustainable Finance Forum, Philharmonie, Luxembourg, June
- Afore Consulting. Sustainable Finance Workshop: An EU Taxonomy in Practice , panel with Martin Spolc and Sandrine Dixson-Declève, Brussels, January
- 2018 Mission Finance: The policy and finance conditions needed to meet climate Ambition, panel at Climate-KIC conference, Dublin, November
- Is capitalism unsustainable? Green Growth or degrowth?, panel with with Prof. Kevin Anderson, Prof. Giorgos Kallis and Prof. Robert Pollin, Political Economy Centre, University of Manchester, November
- German Sustainable Finance Summit, Frankfurt, September 2018
- [Laudato Si' Reflection Day](#), European Social Centre (JESC) Brussels, June
- The UN SDGs, impact and so-called 'extra-financial' data ,panel at Responsible Investor Conference, London, June
- Panel at Radical Ecological Conversion After Laudato Sí: Discovering the Intrinsic Value of all Creatures, Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, March
- Europe's new rules for Green Finance, Heinrich Boll Stiftung conference, Frankfurt, January
- 2017 Central Banking and Green Finance, conference at the Netherlands Central Bank, Amsterdam, November
- The Commons! A panel debate to launch Finding Common Ground, Green European Foundation, Brussels, March
- Post-crisis Europe and Brexit, Jean Monnet Lecture, School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies, Bristol University, February
- 2016 Inequality and Sustainability: Prospects for Progress in Age of Brexit, panel panel with Ed Miliband, Equality Trust annual conference, London, November
- Financialisation, Economy, Society and Sustainable Development: Debates from a policy perspective, Concert Noble, Brussels, September
- 2015 Hopes for COP21 Climate Talks, [panel](#) at Plymouth University, November

## Publications

### Books

### Supporters

- 2011 Milipartiet de Grönne Les Écologistes, Sprunge Ecologie Les Verts, Verdes Equo, Možemo! – politička platforma Milipartiet De Grönne, Estima Rohelised, Estonia, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas
- 2020 *Introducing A New Economics: Pluralist, Sustainable, Progressive*, with Reardon, J., and Madi, A. M. (Chicago: University of Chicago Press).
- 2012 *The Bioregional Economy: Land, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness* (London: Earthscan).
- 2011 *Environment and Economy* (London: Routledge).
- 2009 *Green Economics: Theory, Policy and Practice* (London: Earthscan) (foreign language rights sold to publishers in Beijing, Taiwan, Cairo and Athens).

### Peer review papers and book chapters (selection)

- Forthcoming 'Body and planet: re-embedding and re-embodiment of the economy', in *Women and Heterodox Economics Handbook* (London: Cheltenham: Edward Elgar).
- 2024 'Why a Green and Resilient Future Must be a Cooperative Future', in *Routledge Handbook of Cooperative Economics and Management* (London: Routledge).
- 2020 Green economics in Moosmayer, D., Laasch, O., Brown, K.G, and Parkes, C. (eds.), *The SAGE Handbook of Responsible Management Learning and Education* (in press).
- 2019 'Introducing sell-by dates for stranded assets: Ensuring an orderly transition to a sustainable economy', *Journal of Sustainable Finance*, Nov, with Cory Fletcher.
- 2019 Stronger in? the logic of pan-European co-operation in the era of Trump and climate change, in Ward, L. and Brady, J. (eds.), *Greens for a Better Europe: Twenty Years of UK Green Influence in the European Parliament*.
- 2017 The bioregional economy: celebrating the local in production and consumption, in Spash, C. (ed.), *Routledge Handbook of Ecological Economics: Nature and Society* (London: Routledge), pp. 487-96.
- 2016 Rethinking the factors of production for a world of common ownership and sustainability: Europe and Latin America compared, *Review of Radical Political Economics*, June, with Peter North.
- 2014 A price for everything?: The 'natural capital controversy', *Journal of Human Rights and the Environment*, 5/2, with Rupert Read.
- 2012 Green Economics: Putting the planet and politics back into economics, *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, 36(5): 1019-1032.



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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

# SIBYLLE STEFFAN

## Why I'm running again

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### **"We do it for the people and the planet."**

That was the guiding thought when we started discussing our programme for the European elections almost two years ago. We were thinking about the needs of people in their everyday lives and how our answer, the green and social deal, would help fight both the cost of living and the climate crisis. We were thinking about Maria, a single mom, who would profit from a better insulated home and lower energy costs. Now, two years and my first mandate in the EGP committee later, I was reflecting on what happened since we put this project to paper.

### **What did we achieve?**

The easily measurable results are mixed: the Green group in the European Parliament got smaller and the far right won almost all over Europe. The success of even the most radical far right voices left me stunned for weeks after the elections. Greens clearly lost in some strongholds, often in national contexts of difficult governing coalitions. But we also welcomed new MEPs of new member parties in the South and the East, often with a strong social profile - which was one of the EGP's strategic goals. The most diverse group ever then had the energy and legitimacy to negotiate our priorities in a complex political setting. Seeing the fruits of our strategy motivates me to continue building up on these.

### **We achieved a lot together.**

Especially in a political reality where we find ourselves pretty much alone fighting for the people and the planet, it matters most how we work together as a political family. We are the one political force at European level that never stopped exchanging and discussing - no matter how difficult the questions ahead of us were. *Together* has become a political statement that we hold up against the exclusion and fear fueled by autocrats, fascists and demagogues.

*Together*, we developed a manifesto, that appealed to voters, unified the family and was highly appraised by civil society. *Together*, we developed a common strategy putting pressure on conservatives not to collaborate with the far right, while standing ready to change people's lives for the better. *Together*, we created an amazing momentum with the Lyon congress electing our leading candidates Terry and Bas who personalized the hope, optimism and fearlessness that our campaign answered to populists' hate. *Together* with you, I want to continue working on how we grow even closer as a political family.

### **What's next?**

Wind is blowing into our faces and it will continue to do so. Many Green parties face similar difficulties throughout different national political contexts. I see the next committee's main task in creating even more cohesion and facilitating to clearly identify our common challenges, develop a common analysis and a toolbox of best practices trying to answer them. For me it's clear that we need to continue and enhance our work on strengthening our social profile, on finding smart strategies against the far right and on working with civil society to be on top of the debate and to build broad alliances.

**I'm running again as a member of the next committee of the European Greens to fight for a greener and more social Europe with you - and for more Europe within the Greens.**

## How to reach me

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## What I've done so far

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### **in the European Greens**

I'm a member of the European Greens' committee since 2022, amongst others co-responsible for the manifesto, the AMC, the Nordic, Baltic and German speaking member parties and the local councilors.

Since 2018 I've been a delegate to the European Greens for Bündnis 90/Die Grünen and a substitute member of the editorial group of the Manifesto in 2018/19.

### **in the German Greens**

I have been the co-spokesperson of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen's federal working group on Europe 2017-2022, the party's think tank on European integration, where we organized three conferences a year, wrote position papers and helped bringing Brussels, Berlin, our European neighbors and the regions closer together within the Greens.

In the run up to the European Elections 2019, I was a member of the editorial group of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen's manifesto.

Before, I have been the spokesperson of the regional working group on Europe in Berlin/Brandenburg 2014 - 2017, a member of the Party Council of the Berlin Greens 2016 - 2018, a deputy spokesperson of the federal working group on Europe 2015 - 2017 and an active member of Berlin-Neukölln's local Greens since 2013 where I was running in the regional elections in 2016.

## Fighting the far right: smart strategies and social policies

Fighting the far right is our DNA, being their antidote is our mission. But being merely against the far right is neither a strategy nor a political project. And I believe we need both. The EGP should therefore facilitate an exchange on different strategies against the far right among member parties with a special focus on winning back young voters and women, also building up on experiences of our Greens in government. This will help sharpen future campaigns from the local to the European level.

In parallel, we need to deliver the answers that voters expect from us - a project that encourages them to vote for us, not merely against them. Therefore, the EGP should set up a working group on social policies focusing on the question on which policies deliver win-win-situations for the people and the planet, close to citizens and easy to understand. The experiences by Greens in government on the implementation of certain measures as well as successes from the local level sharpen the outcome. Together, we fill the idea of a green and social deal with life, enrich our policy toolbox by learning from each other and finetune our messaging and campaigning.

## Doing it together: strong alliances with civil society

As some of you might have noticed: I have most fun in AMC sessions, love the open and transparent way of our decision making, the focused, interested and passionate energy in the room when negotiating resolutions and exchanging on policy. I believe this is what makes us unique and grow as a European political family - and that we should profit from it much more and use it smarter to connect with what is happening around us. To achieve this, we need more consistent and ongoing exchanges with civil society to be able to take up their main interests, demands and campaigns in our political discussions - which should then make their way into our resolutions. Building up on the work with civil society throughout the manifesto process, this will build long lasting alliances with our partners and position us at the forefront of debates in civil society.

The new committee should appoint responsible members leading on this work, closely exchanging with member parties to encourage them to draft resolutions together, early on and in a transparent process. In turn, we should give more visibility and relevance to our resolutions at our congresses and in our communication to make the engagement of civil society and member parties worthwhile to them. More timely, relevant and newsworthy resolutions will boost the political impact of our congresses.

## Growing as a family with more Europe in our parties

Facists and far right populists are not only gaining grounds but also getting into real power. In these times, European political parties have a special role to play as the far right is well organized on the European level and follows a common strategy. Our answer to those who want to dismantle our European dream into nationalist nightmares needs to be a strong, emotional, fiery commitment to what we believe in. And let's be honest: there was no strong European narrative in the last elections. I believe as Greens we should be leading this, starting with ourselves. The new committee should foster our own Europeanization more, asking member parties where they can profit from collaborating with the EGP and other member parties in bi- and trilateral exchanges, in common projects and cross-border party initiatives, and incentivize them. This will lay the foundation for the passion and the narrative we need, alongside our partners in civil society, when facing the next elections.

After having focused on our EU member parties in the European elections and with the overall political debate on EU enlargement going on, it is also the perfect moment for the EGP to focus on our non-EU Member Parties and on potential new candidates. In order to get established member parties engaged in this process more, an EGP mentoring programme on specific aspects such as developing party structures, dealing with volunteers, funding or policy development should bring together exactly those in the parties who work on it. I believe this will serve two purposes: Europeanization of our established member parties and capacity building of newer and future ones.

## Thank you!

Lastly, I want to thank all of you who are active in the EGP, the other outgoing Committee Members and mostly the great EGP staff for their tireless work in the last 2,5 years, making the EGP what it is and keeping it fun, motivating, inspiring, interesting, and instructive to work with you all - which is the not at last why I would love to continue as a member of the next committee and hope for your support!

## What else

I'm Sibylle, 37 years old, and grew up in the lovely, very remote forested region called Sauerland in North-Rhine Westphalia.

I first studied comparative literature, psychology and Scandinavian studies in Bonn and Paris (B.A., 2006 - 2009), then European studies (Erasmus-Mundus) in Uppsala and Göttingen (M.A., 2010 - 2012).

I started working as an assistant to the Green group in the Bundestag (2012 - 2014), then as policy advisor both in the Bundestag (2014 - 2018) and the European Parliament and am since 2019 happy head of office of our chair of the internal market committee Anna Cavazzini in the European Parliament focusing on circular economy and consumer protection .

Apart from German and English I love speaking cute French and some rusty Swedish.



# SIBYLLE STEFFAN

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## WORK Supporters

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07 / 2019 - today	Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, SF - Green Left, Ecolo, GroenLinks, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecology, Les Verts, Esquerra Verda, PROGRES2VIE, Vihreät - De Gröna, dé grön, Die Grünen - Die Grüne Alternative, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas
02 / 2019 – 05 / 2019	Head of Office of MEP Anna Cavazzini (Greens/EFA) Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection
04 / 2018 – 11 / 2018	Policy Advisor of MP Frithjof Schmidt (B'90/Die Grünen) Deutscher Bundestag - Berlin Committee on International Affairs
09 / 2015 – 04 / 2018 07 / 2014 – 09 / 2015	Policy Advisor of MEP Terry Reintke (Greens/EFA) European Parliament - Brussels Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality
06 / 2012 – 07 / 2014	Head of Office Policy Advisor of MP Markus Tressel (B'90/Die Grünen) Deutscher Bundestag - Berlin Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Protection
	Assistant in the Management of the Green Group Deutscher Bundestag - Berlin

## EDUCATION

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10 / 2010 – 10 / 2012	M.A. in Euroculture (Erasmus Mundus) University of Göttingen & University of Uppsala
10 / 2009 – 04 / 2010	Educational Outreach Programme University of Washington
10 / 2006 – 08 / 2009	B.A. in Comparative Literature & Psychology University of Bonn & Sorbonne - Paris IV (Erasmus)

## GREEN STUFF

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2022 - today	Member of the Committee European Green Party
since 2023	Simple Member Ecolo Ixelles
2017 – 2022 2015 - 2017	Spokesperson Dep. Spokesperson Federal Working Group on Europe, B'90/Die Grünen
2016 - 2018	Member of the Party Council B'90/Die Grünen Berlin
2014 - 2017	Spokesperson Working Group on Europe, B'90/Die Grünen Berlin
2016	Candidate in the Regional Elections
2015	Member of the Board
since 2013	Simple Member B'90/Die Grünen Berlin-Neukölln



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**Title:** Jan Steurs

**Tabled by:** Groen

**Photo**



**Video**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4P0ne-Vujo4>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**



# JAN STEURS

*You've got the words to change a nation but you're biting your tongue  
You've spent a lifetime stuck in silence afraid you'll say something wrong  
If no one ever hears it, how we gonna learn your song? (Emeli Sandé)*



Dear Green friends,

We may have met before, as I have been previously active with the Young European Greens, and later as a delegate for Groen since 2019. If we haven't been introduced yet:

My name is Jan and this is my motivation letter for a candidacy for the European Green Party Committee.

Europe is struggling, and so are we Greens. Fascists are attacking our border and while the climate crisis is more and more obvious, our continent seems paralyzed and we Greens struggle to convince people of our solutions. Because it is becoming hard to hope. We are losing the young generation to either apathy or even more radical climate action, and we European Greens stand before what is probably one of our greatest challenges so far: how do we convince people that there is still time, that we can still impact governments, from local to European, in order to take enough action?

**the climate isn't waiting**

We do better, fight harder, or if I am allowed to use the quote I put on top, we sing louder.

We have built alliances in some countries,

**politics nowadays are multilayered** and we see new hope in Eastern and Southern Europe. And in

this time of bigger alliances, the Green Party needs to inspire and point to our core business: climate. More than ever we need to keep pointing to the underlying cause of many of our current struggles, because the climate isn't waiting for anyone. We Greens know that. For decades we have been warning about the effects of the climate crisis. Now that the effects are tangible, we need to keep pointing it out and do what we still can.

At the same time, we need to change nations. When representative democracies slide towards autocracies, caused by not only the radical right, but also by center parties, we need to be the propellers of change and focus on democratic innovation. More and more people doubt that our current system is able to take the necessary measures against the climate crisis, so we must change it and open up our political bodies - on all levels - for more participation, more transparency and a 21st century approach to democracy.

I put my candidacy before you, because I chose to stop biting my tongue. And if I am allowed a few thoughts on how we as European Greens can do better: I believe we need to take into account that politics nowadays are multilayered. There is more than the European Parliament, and we need to impact every single layer of governance. From the Commission, to the European Council, to the Committee of the Regions,

our national, regional and local governments. As a consequence, our political outcome should reflect that.

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democratic innovation**

Curriculum Vitae [PDF]

Specifically: resolutions and political statements should be able to impact local, regional and national levels as well. In order to achieve that, I would propose that we choose central topics for our Congresses, and launch discussions about these topics, already 4-6 months in advance. Giving more time to discuss core issues - similar to the discussions on the Manifesto - we will allow member parties to involve more people inside their party, and propose specific action points on other levels as well.

Another point of attention for me, would be the involvement of the Member Organisations not represented inside the European Parliament. While being aware of - and grateful for - the efforts of the Greens/EFA group on this level, I believe the EGP should be more involved in forwarding this information and organizing sessions on it, particularly during EGP events. During the last elections, we have had success in revitalizing our Green presence in Eastern and Southern Europe: let's build on it and make sure this success continues in the next election.

The EGP Committee will have the task of setting the stage for these next European elections, with less financial means and asking for an even bigger commitment. I am ready to do just that, and would invite you to watch my introduction video to get to know me better.

Hoping for your support,

**Jan**

# JAN STEURS

Networker

Analytical

Driven

## Supporters

Vihreät - De Gröna, PROGRES?VIE, déi gréng, Cyprus Greens - Citizens Cooperation, Miljöpartiet de gröna, GroenLinks, Ecolo, Verdes Equo, Green Party of England and Wales, Esquerra Verda, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, Možemo! – politi?ka platforma, Federation of Young European Greens



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## WORK EXPERIENCE

2023 - CURRENT

GROEN

Digital advertiser

2022 - CURRENT

FREELANCE

Digital strategy consultant

2020 - 2022

KOEKELBERG

Chief of staff Greens

2020

GREENS/EFA

Campaigner rights and democracy

2018 - 2019

FYEG

Communications and campaigns officer

2012 - 2018

Group M/Freelance

Social media manager

## PROJECTS

2021

Founder of AdLens, a citizen science project publishing reports on political spending on social media.

2019

Elected as Groen delegate for the EGP by our national Congress.

2019

Activist at Fridays for Future, assisting in the setup of an international network.

2018

President of the Brussels Young Greens, campaigning often on unpaid internships.

2018

Campaign leader of the St. Gilles Greens during the Green Wave

## STUDIES

2024 - current

University of Leuven  
Political Sciences

2005 - 2009

University of Leuven (Arts Faculty)  
Dutch and Italian literature and linguistics

2004 - 2005

Liceo Guiseppe Terragni, Olgiate Comasco  
School exchange program

## LANGUAGES

ENGLISH



FRENCH



SPANISH



DUTCH



ITALIAN





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**Title:** Rui Tavares

**Tabled by:** LIVRE

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

# RUI TAVARES

## CANDIDACY FOR COMMITTEE MEMBER

### Curriculum Vitae [PDF]

Lisbon, 22nd October 2024



Dear Members of the European Green Party 39th Congress,

The European Greens stand at a critical juncture. Our diagnoses of the challenges facing Europe and the world - from the climate crisis to the erosion of democratic values - have proven prescient. Yet, our political influence has not grown commensurately with the urgency of these issues. It seems we've mastered the art of being right, but we're still working on the trick of being listened to.

We often find it challenging to translate our analyses into broader support. The question before us is not just about policy, but about how we engage, mobilize, and inspire. How do we ensure our message cuts through the noise? How do we transform awareness into action? And crucially, how do we articulate a vision of the future that people actively desire?

These challenges demand a comprehensive approach. We need to weave together environmental protection and social justice in a way that resonates across diverse communities. We must create strategies that address our challenges at all levels.

It is in this context that I offer my candidacy for the European Green Party Committee. My journey through various levels of governance - from city councillor in Lisbon to national parliamentarian in Portugal, and as a Member of the European Parliament - has given me a sound perspective on how Green policies can be effectively implemented across different scales. This practical experience, combined with my work as a historian and author, has allowed me to bridge the gap between theoretical insight and political action.

In my work, I've strived to create what I call "objects of political desire" - visions of the future that inspire active engagement. This approach guided the growth of LIVRE in Portugal and, I believe, can strengthen our movement across Europe. My experience in the European Parliament, particularly on rule of law issues, has reinforced my belief in the power of collective action to defend our fundamental values.

If elected to the Committee, I commit to fostering greater collaboration between national Green parties, developing strategies to combat climate change and defend democracy, promoting a just transition to a green economy, and expanding the appeal of Green values. These goals are interconnected, and by addressing them in an integrated manner, we can increase our impact.

I don't pretend to have all the answers, but I'm committed to working alongside all of you to find solutions. Our collective wisdom and diverse experiences are our greatest assets. Together, we can build a stronger Green movement capable of not just responding to crises, but of shaping a future that embodies our values at every level of governance.

The challenges before us are great, but so is our potential for meaningful change. I look forward to contributing to this crucial work and to our shared vision of a greener, more just, and democratic Europe. Perhaps then, we'll not only be right, but we'll also be heard - and followed.

*Sincerely,*  
*Rui Tavares*

# RUI TAVARES

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## PROFILE

Portuguese writer, historian, and member of the parliament for LIVRE. Formerly an MEP for Greens/EFA.

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## EDUCATION

- 2014      **PhD in History (Docteur en Histoire et Civilisations)**  
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France.
- 1998      **MA in Social Sciences (Mestre em Ciências Sociais)**  
Instituto de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal.
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## CURRENT POSITIONS

- 2022 - present      **LIVRE**  
Co-spokesperson of LIVRE.
- 2022 - present      **Assembleia da República (Portuguese Parliament)**  
Member of Parliament for LIVRE
- 2021 - present      **Lisbon City Council**  
Councillor for LIVRE
- 2024 - present      **Weekly Portuguese Newspaper Expresso**  
Columnist
- 2024 - present      **Brazilian newspaper Folha de São Paulo**  
Columnist
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## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

- 2015 - 2022      **Green European Journal**  
Contributor
- 2015 - 2016      **Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung**  
Contributor

2009 - 2014

### European Parliament

- Full member and coordinator: EP Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) and EP subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI);
- Vice-president of the Special Committee on Organised Crime, Corruption and Money Laundering (CRIM);
- Substitute member: Committee on Culture and Education (CULT), Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM) and Committee of Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON);
- Member of the standing parliamentary delegations: Delegation for relations with the Mercosur countries (MERCOSUR), Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly (EURO-LAT) and the Delegation for relations with the countries of Southeast Asia and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN);
- Member of the special delegations on refugees in Syria (2010; also served as temporary chairman) and on the follow-up to several EU-USA data protection negotiations (including the Terrorist Finance- Tracking Program "SWIFT-TFTP", 2009 and the Passenger Names' Records program "PNR", 2011);

2005-2021

### Portuguese Newspaper Público

Freelance columnist and author.

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## AWARDS

2019

### Best book on Portuguese history

O Censor Iluminado (The Enlightened Censor). Academy of Portuguese History, Portugal.

2005

### Best book of the year in non-fiction

O Pequeno Livro do Grande Terramoto (Little Book of the Great Earthquake). Público (daily newspaper) / RTP (public TV channel), Portugal.

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## BOOKS PUBLISHED

### Author (selection):

[2024]

Não foi por falta de aviso/Ainda o apanhamos, Lisboa, Tinta da China, 2024

[2023]

Agora, agora e mais agora, Lisboa, Tinta da China 2023.

[2015]

Esquerda e Direita. Guia histórico para o Século XXI [Left and Right: Historical Guide for the 21st Century], Lisboa, Tinta da China, 2015.

2015 - 2016

Le censeur éclairé [The Enlightened Censor], Paris, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales.

- [2012] A Ironia do Projeto Europeu [The Irony of the European Project], Lisboa, Tinta da China, 2012 (2nd edition, 2014).
- [2008] O Regicídio [The Regicide] [with co-author Alice Samara], Lisboa, Tinta da China, 2008.
- [2007] **Supporters** O Arquitecto [The Architect], Lisboa, Tinta da China, 2007.  
SF - Green Left, Ecolo, Esquerda Verda, Demokrat? s?junga „Vardan Lietuvos“, Partija
- [2005] Zelenykh Ukrainy, Ecological Green Party, Partido Verde Ecologista, Stranka poladiv Lisbo  
Tinta de China 2005 [1a e 2a edições], 2006 [3a edição]  
Zeleni Evrope, PROGRES? VIE, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas, Verdes Equo,  
Možemo! – politička platforma  
Best Portuguese non-fiction book of 2005 “Livro Aberto” Público/RTP award.

### European Parliament rapporteur (selection):

**Report on the situation of fundamental rights: standards and practices in Hungary**, *parliamentary report, Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE), European Parliament, 2013.* Preceded by four working papers on the Hungarian situation on Rule of Law, Fundamental Rights, Constitutional Reform and Media Pluralism (2012-2013).

**Report on the review of the EU’s human rights strategy**, *parliamentary report, Subcommittee on Human Rights of the Committee on Foreign Affairs (DROI-AFET), European Parliament, 2012.*

**Report on the establishment of a joint EU refugee resettlement programme**, *parliamentary report, Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE), European Parliament, 2010.*

Report on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 573/2007/EC establishing the European Refugee Fund for the period 2008 to 2013 as part of the General programme “Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows” and repealing Council Decision 2004/904/EC, *European Parliament, 2010.*





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**Title:** Tomas Tomilinas

**Tabled by:** Demokratų sąjunga „Vardan Lietuvos“

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**Video**

<https://youtu.be/l8HAFHibW7w>

**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

## Curriculum Vitae [PDF]

### MOTIVATION LETTER

My motivation is very simple: my main goal of life is a strong green party in Lithuania and also in Eastern Europe. As a member of Parliament and government coalition I have a necessary position and experience to boost green ideas across the region. My experience in implementing social reforms, reduction of poverty is unique and necessary for the Greens to find voters not only in urban, but also in rural areas. As a politician who has very strong positions for human rights, I am an example for others not to hide in the grass and vote for important decisions. I have a dream of helping to build strong green movement in Ukraine.





## **TOMAS TOMILINAS**

Political Group of Democrats “For Lithuania“

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Seimas 2020–2024: Member of the Seimas from 11/13/2020  
Elected: Deltuvos šiaurinė (No: 49) in the electoral constituency

Seimas 2016–2020

**Date of birth** 22 April 1983  
**Place of birth** Vilnius, Lithuania

### **Education**

2007 Diploma in EU administration, Mykolas Romeris University  
2005 Diploma in Political Sciences,  
Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Vilnius  
University  
2001 *Vladislavas Sirokomiė* Secondary School in Vilnius  
(currently *Vladislavo Sirokomiės gimnazija* (upper secondary school))

### **Work experience**

2014–2016 Head of the Office of Bronis Ropė, MEP  
2008–2012 Secretary Assistant to Antanas Baura, MP  
2004–2008 Secretary Assistant to Laima Mogenienė, MP

### **Political career**

2016–2020 Deputy Chairman, Lithuanian Farmers and Greens Union  
Member of the 12th Seimas

## Supporters

	Deputy Chair, Committee on Social Affairs and Labour
	Member, Committee on European Affairs (2019–2020)
Zieloni, Ecolo, Vihreät - De Gröna, LIVRE, PROGRES, VIE	Member, Commission for Healthy Lifestyle (2018–2020)
	Member, Energy and Sustainable Development Commission
Since 2012	Deputy Chairman, Lithuanian Farmers and Greens Union
Since 2002	Member, Lithuanian Farmers and Greens Union (previously Farmers and New Democracy Union and Peasant Popular Union)

## Miscellaneous:

Special focus on protecting the economic interests of working families, poor people and small entrepreneurs. Initiator of a programme of financial support for housing for young families to help the regions of Lithuania. Active contribution to the establishment of new standing commissions of the Seimas: Commission for Energy and Sustainable Development and Commission for Healthy Lifestyle. Engagement in the preparation of major social reforms (e.g. on *child money*), defence of highly resisted draft laws (e.g. on a bank tax).

Author of numerous social projects and initiatives, books and articles; consultant of trade unions; specialist of adult education; one of the founders of the Social Investment Management Centre and other organisations. Member of the working group for the preparation of the election programme of Lithuanian farmers and Greens Union (2012, 2016, 2020); one of the initiators of the establishment of the trade union of a grocery chain (2007); founder of the Greens Political Group within the Peasant Popular Union (2010); Coordinator of the Campaign of the Referendum on Nuclear Power Plant (2012)

**Hobbies and interests:** nature, country side, genuine food, reading and history

**Languages:** English, Polish, Russian, Belarusian, German



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**Title:** Marieke van Doorninck

**Tabled by:** GroenLinks

### Photo



### Video

<https://youtu.be/xl8YpkwxZt0>

### Motivation Letter [PDF]

Dear delegates,

With great enthusiasm and an even greater sense of urgency, I present my candidacy for the Committee of the European Green Party. Realising global and local change, based on the values of social justice and sustainable development, has been the key driver for my international and political work over the past three decades.

### **Curriculum Vitae [PDF]**

I consider myself to be a feminist activist, with work experience in international NGOs and local politics. In my first job, when I advocated and defended the rights of sex workers, I experienced how important it is to work inclusively and never just for, but always with the people involved. Sex workers call it 'nothing about us, without us' and it has become a guiding motto for me. Later, in my work in the fight against human trafficking, I learned that the injustice of exploitation can only be tackled with (economic) systemic change. These two lessons have been the guiding principles in my work ever since.

I have experienced that change happens when people in their own communities raise their voices and stand up for their rights.

My political career started in 2006 as councillor and group leader of GroenLinks in the Amsterdam city council and in 2018, I was appointed as deputy mayor of Amsterdam on spatial development and sustainability. In the area of urban planning, I changed the focus from the number of houses a city can build, to the question for whom these houses are built, how to preserve 'free non-commercial spaces' in a dense and expensive city like Amsterdam and how to involve local communities. Together with civil servants, urban planners and neighbourhoods, we developed a long-term vision for the spatial development of the city, called 'De Menselijke Metropool' (the human metropolis).

While my previous work experience was focused on women's rights and migrant (workers) rights, the link with sustainability was always obvious to me. The system that exploits people, is the same system that exhausts our planet. We need a system change to achieve climate justice, making sure that saving the planet and enhancing peoples' rights go hand in hand. I was very fortunate that Kate Raworth, inventor of the Doughnut Economy, accepted my invitation to work with us to develop the circular economy strategy for Amsterdam. The rest is history: as soon as our strategy was launched in 2020, it was picked up by other governments and media across the globe. To me, this proves that people everywhere are longing for change.

Doughnut economics strives to meet the needs of all people within the means of the planet. To me, this is what green politics is about: to seek a just and sustainable future in international solidarity. It is also what is needed from the European Union, as a stronghold for democracy, human rights and civil liberties. But in the past decades the EU has also let us down, by favouring the greed of the free market over the needs of people and planet and violating the rights of refugees. Now that Europe is under both the attack and the influence of the radical right, it is even more important to defend the principles Europe stands for. We cannot halt the advance of the far right by presenting the 'light' version of their ideas: we can only stop them by showing that another society is actually possible. This is what the European Green Party represents, and this is what I am eager to contribute to.

I believe the European Green Party can bring together and lead a broad progressive movement. We need to seek cooperation with like-minded parties, but also civil organisations, trade unions and social enterprises. I would love to join forces with people and organisations from all over Europe – especially in countries where the space for civil society and for green and progressive politics is shrinking. Migrant workers fighting for their rights, NGO's providing support for people living in vulnerable situations, young people who are seeking regenerative ways of living, local green councillors who have made their cities healthier, cooperatives and commons who present new economic models; to learn from all these examples how to build a fair and sustainable future. Together with this large and diverse coalition of progressive actors, we can present an alluring and realistic alternative for the current neo-liberal policies and show that a just and green Europe is possible.

Looking forward to meeting you all in Dublin!

Green greetings,

Marieke



# Marieke van Doorninck

## Passionate Leader

### Contact

Amsterdam  
mariekevd@dds.nl

### Education

1985-1992  
University of Amsterdam:  
History  
(International relations)

### Certificate

Hemingway Professional  
Governance  
College Programs 2023/ 2024

### Qualities

Strategic and visionary  
Inspiring and facilitating  
Creative and innovative  
Goal-oriented and decisive  
Idealistic and pragmatic  
Humor and enthusiasm

### Competences

Stakeholder management  
Communication  
Policy influencing  
Vision development  
Public Administration  
Public-private partnership

### Interests

Postgrowth/New economies  
Intersectional feminism  
System change  
Cycling holidays and hiking

### Profile

Strongly content-driven, with expertise in human rights, sustainability and circular economy. I am used to working on public administrative and socially sensitive topics in a complex stakeholder field with different, sometimes conflicting, interests.

For a just and sustainable world, I bring people and ideas together, looking for innovative and unconventional solutions to complex problems. I like to work on long-term visions and rapid actions. I inspire people to place their own work in a broader context. I provide direction and offer space.

### Employment history

*February 2023 – present*

#### Director

#### Kennisland

- Setting up Marine-location project “New economic thinking – New economic doing”
- Strategic Multi-Year Plan

*May 2018 – June 2022*

#### Deputy Mayor for Spatial Development and Sustainability

#### Municipality of Amsterdam

The goals for my agenda of change:

- Keeping the city accessible and affordable, protecting the soft values of the city and gaining control over and directing growth;
- Combining the transition to sustainable energy and a climate-neutral city with strengthening climate justice; and
- To give more say to the people of Amsterdam.

Various (policy) results have been delivered:

- The Amsterdam 2050 Environmental Vision “The Human Metropolis”.
- WomenMakeTheCity: a city-wide women's council that advises on the social and physical living environment from a female perspective.
- The management assignment “Expedition free space” to protect and make space available for social, cultural, and green initiatives.
- The Amsterdam Climate Neutral Roadmap with a long-term vision to reduce CO2 emissions by 55% in 2030 including hands-on activities for the short term.
- First Citizens' Council organized on climate, in collaboration with Alex Brenninkmeijer.
- For the Circular Strategy, I worked together with British economist Kate Raworth, known from Doughnut Economics. The Circular Strategy was a finalist for the Earthshot Prize 2022.
- Immediately after the Russian invasion of Ukraine, I launched the "Action Plan 15% less gas" together with six organizations. The action is the winner of the C40 Cities Bloomberg Philanthropies Award 2023

*February 2017 – May 2018*

**General Coordinator**

**ASKV/Refugee Support Center**

- Three-year European subsidy (AMIF) for the Medical Support Project for Undocumented Persons (MOO)
- Expanding the Project Activation for Undocumented Persons (PAO) with the development of a Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning (MEL) instrument.
- Design and financing of the first multi-year strategic plan.
- Strengthened cooperation between teams and professionalized the organization while maintaining original values.

*September 2015 – January 2017*

**Policy advisor Migration and Refugee Protection**

**Oxfam Novib**

- In the Netherlands, a coalition of six leading human rights and development organizations brought together an active lobby for humane refugee policies;
- Refugee rights election guide 'Humanity Checker' developed;
- International lobby against the use of development funds for anti-migration measures; and
- Support for Oxfam Novib reception projects for refugees in Lebanon, Jordan and Greece.

*March 2006 – March 2014*

**Faction leader (2009-2014, from 2006-2009 council member)**

**GroenLinks Amsterdam**

- General affairs: public order and safety
- Spatial Planning and Land Affairs
- Healthcare

*August 2005 – July 2015*

**Advisor Public Affairs**

**La Strada International -European Network against trafficking in human beings**

- Expanding the La Strada Network to a European platform of human rights and labour rights organisations;
- With the COMP.ACT project, the right to financial compensation for trafficked persons was included in European legislation and implemented by means of training among European NGOs, judges, lawyers;
- With the Monitoring project, aid workers in all affiliated countries were trained to become rapporteurs on human trafficking policy.

*January 2005 – November 2005*

**Coordinator**

**International Committee on the Rights of Sex Workers in Europe (ICRSE)**

Organization and coordination of the European Conference on Sex Work, Human Rights, Labor and Migration in the European Parliament in Brussels, where sex workers themselves were in charge and in the majority.



September 1994 – January 2005

**Policy officer and spokesperson**

**Mr. A. de Graaf Foundation – Institute for Prostitution Issues**

- Position improvement of prostitutes given prominent place in the law amendment for lifting brothel ban;

- Personal initiative for the realization of exhibition in the Historical Museum Apeldoorn with the book: "In het Leven. Vier eeuwen prostitutie in Nederland";

**Supporters**

Demokratska Obnova na Makedonija, Groen, PROGRES?VIE, Miljøpartiet de grønne,

Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, Gra?anski Pokret URA, SF - Green Left, Možemo! –

politika platforma, Verdes Equo, Bündnis 90/Die Grünen, Green Party of England and

Wales, Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts, LIVRE, der greng, Die Grünen - Die

Grüne Alternative, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas, Esquerra Verda, Partija

Zelenykh Ukrainy, Zieloni, Miljøpartiet De Grønne, Norway

**Other related positions (voluntary)**

2024 - present **Supervisory board Amsterdam Energy**

2024 - present **Chair 'De Gezonde Stad'**

2023 - present **Co chair WECF** (Ecofeminist network)

2012 - 2018 Duo chair Mama Cash (Worlds first women's fund)

2014 - 2018 Chair BADT/Bureau Straatjurist (Legal support for homeless persons)

2007 - 2010 Board member Femnet (Feminist Network GroenLinks)

2002 - 2007 Chair Foundation Support and Shelter for Prostitutes The Hague (SHOP)

1998 - 2003 Chair Emancipation Advisory Council Amsterdam (EAR)



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**Title:** Marina Verronneau

**Tabled by:** Les Écologistes - Europe Ecologie Les Verts

**Photo**



**Video**

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

Dear Member Parties, dear Delegates,

I am very happy and honoured to present my candidacy for the EGP executive committee.

It's been 10 years that I've been engaged in green politics in France and Europe. I am currently a member of the executive committee of the French Greens and the European and International Secretary. The desire to promote a fairer, greener and more social federal Europe is one of the reasons why I became involved in politics. And it still is. My dedication to European issues and the EGP has been clear from the various responsibilities I have taken on within the French Greens.

As the current European and International Secretary for the French Greens, I worked hard to strengthen the connections of my party with other European green parties and to contribute to the EGP Mediterranean Network. I coordinated the French delegation within the EGP, making sure that we were fully involved, that we made constructive contributions to the EGP's work, and spoke with a single voice. For the European elections in 2024, I was in charge of organising the drafting of our electoral manifesto together with the campaign team. Our programme was voted best by environmental NGOs. Before that, I was in charge of the French Greens' European affairs Committee for two years. I established a collaborative workspace between the EGP and the Committee, fostering joint preparations for congresses and enhancing our strategic discussions.

Now I'd be honoured to take new responsibilities within our green families in the EGP Committee. If elected to the Committee, I will bring my experience and motivation to the table to contribute more actively to the growth and success of our European Green family. I would like to work on the following priorities with you:

#### **Fighting the far right and boosting citizens' confidence in the Greens in Europe**

In the last few years, the Green wave led many of our parties to positions of leadership. But we now face the challenge of maintaining trust and accountability with citizens. We also need to build this confidence in the countries where the Greens are emerging as a new major political force. This is especially important in the face of the growing far-right, which threatens our democratic values and ecological goals. One of my main priorities will be ensuring that the EGP leads the fight against right-wing extremism by coordinating a cross-border strategy. We need to carry out a joyful combat mandate to reorganise and strengthen our forces across Europe.

#### **Ensuring the integration of new members into our European Green family**

As our movement grows, welcoming new parties and ensuring their successful integration into the EGP will be critical. I will focus on supporting these new members, helping them navigate the structures of the EGP and empowering them to fully participate in our shared political mission. Providing the tools and strategic resources necessary for their development will not only strengthen these parties individually but also enhance the overall cohesion and vitality of the European Green movement.

#### **Deepening ties between the EGP and elected representatives at European, national and local levels**

We must strengthen the relationships between the EGP and our elected representatives at the European, national and local levels. Upcoming local elections across Europe will be key in shaping Green politics, while the next European Parliament term will be critical for our movement, given the Greens/EFA's support for Ursula von der Leyen's election. By fostering stronger connections and collaboration, we can amplify the impact of our Green policies and ensure that local and European victories lead to broader political success. We need to rely on and consolidate the network of local councillors. Strengthening these links will also build a stronger foundation for future local and European elections and advance our Green values at all levels of governance.

### **Ensuring the cohesion and strength of our European Green family**

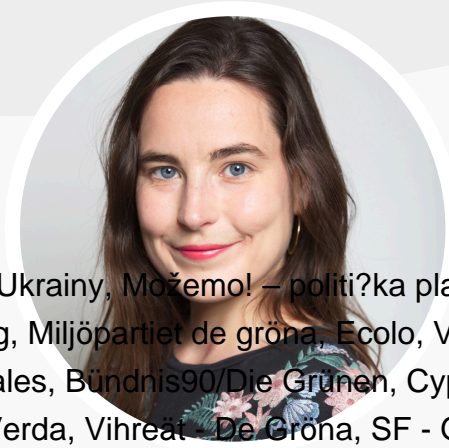
As we continue to grow and evolve, maintaining the unity and strength of our movement is paramount. A cohesive European Green family is essential for us to effectively respond to the challenges we face. My focus will be on fostering collaboration, open dialogue, and shared strategic planning across all our member parties. By ensuring that we remain united around our core values, we can face future political challenges with a strong, collective voice and continue to push for the environmental and social transformations Europe needs.

I would be delighted to talk with you and would be honored by your support.

Yours sincerely,

Marina VERRONNEAU

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marina Verronneau', with a stylized flourish at the end.



## Supporters

ADPD, Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, Možemo! – politička platforma, Partido Ecologista Os Verdes, Groen, déi gréng, Miljöpartiet de gröna, Ecolo, Verdes Equo, GroenLinks, Green Party of England and Wales, Bündnis90/Die Grünen, Cyprus Greens - Citizens Cooperation, Esquerra Verda, Vihreät - De Gröna, SF - Green Left, Die Grünen - Die Grüne Alternative, Demokratų sąjunga „Vardan Lietuvos“, PROGRESŲ VIE, Irish Green Party / Comhaontas Glas, Zieloni

# MARINA VERRONNEAU

Les Ecologistes (French Greens) [marina.verronneau@gmx.com](mailto:marina.verronneau@gmx.com) +33 (0) 6 62 28 68 15

## POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

### Les Ecologistes (French Greens)

- 2022-2024

European and International Secretary  
Executive Committee

- 2020-2022

Co-Chair of the Europe Committee

- 2017-2018

Co-Chair for the young greens of Paris

### Electoral mandate

2020-2024

Local councillor, Metz City Council

## EDUCATION

- 2024-2025

Master's Degree in Psychology  
Université Paris Cité

- 2013

Master's Degree in Political Science  
Sciences-Po Rennes

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### French and European public administration

- Project officer, Grand Est Regional Council
- European officer, French Ministry of Territorial Cohesion
- Project officer, INTERREG Großregion (European interregional cooperation programme)

### NGO

- European advocacy officer, Secours Catholique - Caritas France

## SKILLS & ASSETS

- Teamwork & collaborative decision-Making
- Nonviolent communication
- Great knowledge of the EGP & the French Greens
- Enthusiastic & determined



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**Title:** Valerio Zaratti

**Tabled by:** Europa Verde - Verdi

**Photo**



**Motivation Letter [PDF]**

Dear friends,

I am really excited to announce my candidacy to the EGP Committee. Being part of our green family is both an honor and a responsibility, especially in the light of a particularly unstable international context. As a young activist, I have enthusiastically started to participate in politics in my community, within the Green Party. My passion towards environmental and social issues has quickly led me to increase my level of participation and experience different kinds of it. I have established good relationships with climate movements and Ngos because I believe that non-violent conflict is a crucial element of change. At a local level, I have been politically active in different contexts, from the Young Greens (GEV) to Europa Verde - Verdi, and I am now a proud member of Europa Verde's executive committee of Rome. Throughout these years, I have coordinated electoral campaigns, wrote political manifestos, organized events and much more. During the last European elections I coordinated with the members of our team the production of our political programme, which was considered the best on climate change by organizations like WWF and by the Italian Climate Network's scientists and policy experts.

Political participation becomes more important every day.

Far-right parties are growing throughout the continent and are a threat to democracy, welfare state and ecological transition. As Greens we are the only political family that is able to contrast the rise of fascisms. And I am convinced that we can do that.

Alexander Langer said that "ecological conversion will only be possible when it becomes desirable". We can only make it desirable if we focus on just transition. That is why we will have to increase the investments in the JTF and account for the social costs of the transition. Not only do we have to defend the Green Deal, but we need to expand it. Europe still needs a Green and Social Deal. The ecological transition is a great opportunity to rethink the productive structure of our socio-economic system, ensuring redistribution of wealth and power to citizens. Tax the rich. The temperature is rising at a rate that is even higher than what scientists expected. Extreme events are growing rapidly. We need to invest now in the adaptation to climate change in Europe and in the countries of the Global South, the most affected from climate change. While we change our energy system and invest in renewable energy and in energy efficiency, while defending our forests, our seas and restoring nature all over Europe, we also have to make sure that no one is left behind. Especially the ones who are already experiencing the violence of our societies.

I am referring to women, members of the LGBTQ+ community, racialized communities, workers and young people. Young people might be the answer to many of the issues that our societies are addressing. That is why it is our job to empower them and make sure that they have the possibility to meaningfully participate in politics. It is a great honor to know that our Group in the EU Parliaments has the highest number of U35 MEPs. We need to make this possible throughout the continent. They know the problems they are facing, from lack of employment to the impossibility to truly enjoy the right to housing. We are asked

to defend everyone that cannot defend themselves, like animals. We have to close intensive farming, transform our agricultural system into a sustainable one - while sustaining farmers in this process - and shift our diet into a plant-based one. Not only because this is a necessary step towards climate neutrality, but also because we have to shape an anti-speciesist culture as a basis for our choices.

Our green family has to face new challenges. In the next few years there will be elections at all levels. We will have to be able to support national parties and enhance their possibility to not only win national elections, but also local ones. Urban centres contribute substantially to climate change and therefore our political action has to focus extensively on that.

This year we have witnessed unforgivable massacres and the effort made by the Eu and its member states in initiating and conducting negotiations was not sufficient. Our common goal should be to reach a ceasefire followed by the end of wars. We do have a responsibility to distinguish aggressors and victims. But we cannot fight for the respect of human rights and international law when it comes to the Russian criminal invasion of Ukraine and, at the same time, accept the unforgivable massacre that is taking place in Gaza. In Gaza, more than 40.000 civilians were massacred by Israeli bombing. About 2 million Palestinians are displaced. Almost 65% of buildings are destroyed, including houses, hospitals and schools. The Palestinian people have been forced into hunger and thirst. Gaza is witnessing a terrifying humanitarian crisis. Hamas perpetrated a horrible terrorist attack. It killed almost 1200 innocent people and took 250 innocent hostages. They have to be freed immediately and go back to their family. Europe should do all in its power to make this possible. Hamas is certainly the worst enemy of the Palestinian people. Nevertheless, Netanyahu's massacre of civilians, women and children cannot pass for Israel's right to a defense. Netanyahu acted in open violation of international and human right law and for these violations should be prosecuted. Our effort should be for a ceasefire. We need to come to a global recognition of the State of Palestine on the 1967 borders and ensure the right for both the Palestinian and Israeli peoples to live peacefully on the basis of the never-implemented two-state solution, fighting Israelis to plan to enlarge its illegal colonies in the West Bank and reverse its expansion. In order to do so, it is crucial to immediately stop any commercial relations with Israel, especially with regards to weapons. As the European Union we are following the dangerous path of war in the economy. Our countries increased the military expenses. Weaponizing the world can only lead to dramatic results and to cuts in education, health and ecological transition. We should do the opposite.

As Greens we have a huge responsibility.

Our ambition has to be that of changing the world. Our effort has to be that of peace, solidarity and justice. Our goal has to be that of saving the planet.

Valerio Zaratti



## Curriculum Vitae [PDF]



## Supporters

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# Valerio Zaratti

## Coordinator of Political Initiatives

### Europa Verde - Verdi - Since 2023

Coordination of electoral programme for EU Elections, coordination of local and regional electoral campaigns, party organization, events management, relations. Currently: project management of Local Councillors Platform and Political Education

## Political Assistant

### Regional Council of Lazio: Urban Planning, Waste and Housing Policies Commission - From Nov 2021 to Jan 2023

Communication, Press Releases, Relations, Events Management, Social Media Management, Basic Design

### Mixed Group - From Jan 2021 to Nov 2021

Social Media Management, Ghostwriting, Basic Design

## Internship in Radio Journalism

### Radio Roma Capitale/Radiosei/Retesport - From Apr to Aug 2018

Social Media Management, Editing, Article Production, Website Management

## Receptionist

### Tandem San Sebastián - School of Spanish - From July to Sept 2017

Customer Contact, Social Media Management, Administration, Translations, Sports and Cultural Activities

## Apprenticeship as a non-professional journalist

### Il Corriere Laziale - From 2012 to 2015

Reports and Analysis of Football Matches, Conducting Research and Interviews, Participation in Events and Press Conferences, Production of Articles

## PROFILE

Extremely passionate about environmentalism. I believe in making the world a more peaceful and just place. I have participated in youth politics with GEV Lazio and I am a member of the executive committee of Europa Verde Roma. I am registered as a non-professional journalist in the Bar of Journalists.

## STUDY

### University of Amsterdam

MSc Communication Science: Political Track

Pre-Master's Communication Science: Statistics and Research Methods, Milestones of Communication

### Luiss Business School

Social Media Communication and Digital Marketing - Executive Programme

### Università La Sapienza - Roma

Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and International Relations

## LANGUAGES

Italian - Mother tongue

English - Proficient

Spanish - Intermediate

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**Tabled by:** Federation of Young European Greens

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**Motivation Letter [PDF]**



# ABOUT ME

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## Curriculum Vitae [PDF], DEAR GREEN FAMILY,

In August, the Federation of Young European Greens elected me to join the next EGP Committee on their behalf. I am therefore not using this space to ask for your vote. Rather, I want to introduce myself to you.

First of all, I want to thank FYEG for the immense trust they put in me. I will be the first person to hold the Committee seat officially dedicated to FYEG, and I am aware of the responsibility that comes with this. I promise you that I will be a strong voice for FYEG and that I will keep on bringing forward the perspective of youth.

My name is Christina and I am from Germany. I am a member of Bündnis 90/ Die Grünen as well as their youth organisation, Grüne Jugend. Professionally, I work on foreign and security policy. These topics are not the easiest to navigate for Green parties. But I have learnt in the past few years how important it is that we keep on discussing and trying to find common ground on these issues, especially where it is challenging.

I have been active in FYEG since 2017 in various positions, such as a Working Group Coordinator, Co-author of the Political Platform, and Ecosprinter Editorial Board Member. For the last two years, I have been a member of FYEG's Executive Committee. In this position, I have co-organized the Federation's European election campaign. I am especially proud of the support we have given to young candidates from all over Europe.

FYEG is my political home. It is a space where I have learnt and grown a lot, where I have found my community. I love our Federation very much and I am deeply committed to it.

Strong and independent youth wings make political parties better. Youth wings push their parties where necessary. They build bridges into civil society and activist spaces. They can go where political parties cannot. They teach young people how to work together. But maybe most importantly, they are spaces where young people can empower themselves.

As Greens, we take youth seriously. The decision by EGP member parties to include a seat dedicated for FYEG in the EGP Committee is a reflection of this. At the same time, there are areas in which we can still improve. Not every member party in the European Green family has a strong and independent youth wing yet. But together, I want us to get there.

Greens in Europe are facing a difficult moment that we need to face head-on. I am excited to be a part of this and to be a member of the next EGP Committee.

I look forward to see all of you in Dublin,  
and to work together over the coming mandate.

**CHRISTINA**



# CHRISTINA KESSLER



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## EDUCATION

University of Oxford (United Kingdom) MSc Global Governance and Diplomacy	2020-2021
College of Europe (Belgium) MA European Political and Governance Studies	2019 - 2020
Amsterdam University College (Netherlands) BA Liberal Arts and Sciences	2016 - 2019

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## WORK

NATO (Belgium) International Staff	since 2024
Centre for European Reform (United Kingdom and Belgium) Research Fellow on European foreign and security policy	2023-2024
NATO (Belgium) Policy Intern	2023
European Green Party (Belgium) Assistant to the Secretary General	2022-2023

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## FEDERATION OF YOUNG EUROPEAN GREENS

Executive Committee	2022-2024
Ecosprinter Editorial Board	2021-2022
Political Platform Committee	2020-2021
Working Group Member & Coordinator	2017-2019