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- **I am asking for your vote for the EGP Committee, so that I can bring my experience and personality to help steer our movement through one of its hardest moments with clarity and strategy.** The Greens are under pressure across Europe: squeezed electorally, often divided internally, and increasingly mistrusted by the civil society that once powered our breakthroughs. At the same time, I work every day in the Council of Europe with governments backsliding on democracy and rule of law, and I know how authoritarian actors operate – and how they can be pressured to move. With no non-EU representation currently on the Committee, at the worst possible moment, we risk losing perspectives that are essential for the whole Green family.

I bring a decade of strategic experience across the Green family - including as a participant in EGP Committee meetings. My experience ranges from the Scottish Greens' Executive to co-leading FYEG, where I helped grow FYEG to more members, more budget and more staff than ever before, while running our most ambitious European election campaign yet. Attending EGP Committee meetings as FYEG's representative gave me a clear sense of what effective leadership requires: political judgement, coalition-building, and the ability to navigate the very different realities of our parties.

We need to confront authoritarianism and defend democracy. In the Council of Europe, I negotiate directly with the governments that are undermining democracy and human rights, and I know how they operate. I succeeded in convincing these governments to pass the institution's first recommendation on youth and climate. This work has taught me how institutions shift, how governments respond to pressure, and how political leverage is built.

I can rebuild our relationship with civil society. Before working inside institutions, I spent years organising outside them: blockading fossil fuel infrastructure, disrupting private jet fairs, and building transnational solidarity in difficult contexts. Through Stay Grounded and my freelance work, I continue to support movements and NGOs with strategy and communications. I know why many activists feel disillusioned with party politics – and what Greens must do to regain credibility.

To champion small and non-EU parties, we need them represented in the committee. As a Scottish Green, I know how distant Brussels can feel. With the restructuring that has removed voting rights from non-EU parties, non-EU representation in the Committee is more essential than ever. I will ensure reforms do not make the EGP narrower or less democratic, and that no part of our family is left without influence.

I will focus on capacity-building and practical support. Member parties are the backbone of the EGP. I am a professional trainer and have supported dozens of organisations with strategy, campaigning and organisational development, including the Greens/EFA campaigns team. Strengthening parties - politically and structurally - is the most reliable way to rebuild our influence.

Finally: I am a pan-European candidate, and I have the time to do the work. This role demands more than national experience. It requires a European political mindset and the availability to put in serious work, especially with a reduced Secretariat. I bring both.

I would be honoured to earn your confidence and help the EGP navigate the years ahead with clarity, discipline and ambition.

Note: my nomination was changed from FYEG (as stated in the video) to the Scottish Greens (with support from FYEG) in order to make sure we were following the correct procedures.
