

CoP2 Mia Uremović

Proposers:

Agenda item: 2. CoM Co-Presidents Candidates Applications



Age:
30

Gender:
Female

Organisation:
Sustainable Development Forum
Green Window

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Dear all,

My name is Mia and I am hereby submitting my application for the position of Co-Chairperson of the Council of Members 2026/2027.

I have been an active member of CDN's Member Organization Sustainable Development Forum Green Window (*Forum za održivi razvoj Zeleni prozor*) for six years. During that time, I have also become an active part of the CDN community and was a member of the Executive Committee in the previous mandate, focusing on the Feminist Action Team, regional responsibility for the Balkans, collaboration within CDN and development of other projects. On behalf of CDN, I am currently a member of the Council of Europe's Advisory Council on Youth, where my focuses are gender equality and LGBTQ+ rights, peace and security, and shrinking of civic space.

My experience within CDN has been varied and enriching. I am motivated to remain involved in the functioning of the organisation in this stage of its journey, when new structures are being implemented. Every network of this kind depends on its membership and an important task for CDN going forward is to further develop the ways in which MOs and their members can work together.

The Council of Members thus plays a big role in strengthening CDN from within and helping strengthen the place we have in the green community of Eastern Europe, and beyond. It is an opportunity to collaborate and network, build new connections and nourish old ones. It is especially relevant that the topic of biodiversity is the central topic of the Council for its first year, since it is one of the pillars of the green movement and has always been important in the work of CDN. As the central topic of CDN's workplan for the year, it makes sense that the Council work towards supporting its implementation. The Co-Chairpersons will have to bring their experience and expertise in order to help the Council work, and this is something that I find very interesting.

This first year of the Council is a good ground to determine how MOs and its members see it and their roles in it. Since the body was created in theory, practical knowledge that we will gain will help shape and change it where necessary, in order to try and correct some of the gaps, inconsistencies, and irregularities. It will be a challenge for CDN to moderate a body of this scope, especially as the network continues to expand. As a Prep Team member, Action Team responsible and Working Group Coordinator, and EC member, I have experience with coordination of participants and moderation of meetings, as well as the technical aspects of CDN documentation and IRPs.

I would highlight the need to have structured and organized meetings, to foster an environment where members can voice their opinions and discuss with one another, even though we will be meeting online, and to ensure that there is regional and gender balance across these discussions. This will be a first for all participants, including the Chairing Member Organisation. Together with my Co-Chairperson, I hope to offer support to them as well in the implementation of their Annual Agenda.

The experience we collect and present to the General Assembly in 2027 will hopefully be beneficial to the future generation(s) of the Council of Members. I see this as a challenge, but also motivation to help create something that lasts.

CDN has a very special place in my life. It is a supportive and motivational environment and has, in many ways, shaped many politically and socially active and engaged young people. It has certainly

been that for me, and I hope to help and put my knowledge and experience to good use. I am motivated and excited to see where the year takes us.

Thank you for taking the time to read this motivational letter. I'm looking forward to the opportunity to work with you in the coming months.

Wishing you a lot of strength, hope, and all good things!

Mia Uremović

About me

- Experienced in project and team management
- Solution-oriented and curious, open to new challenges and opportunities
- A team player, but also a fan of working independently
- Respectful of deadlines, creative, and quick to adapt to a new surrounding

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE**City of Zagreb - Expert Advisor, Mayor's Office**

Jan 2023- present

- Conducting research, assisting in policy preparation, maintaining internal action plans and databases
- Following capital projects and investments, providing administrative support
- Focus on green policies, primary focus education and welfare

Assist-o Ltd

Oct 2020 - Dec 2022

- Market research and business support for various projects
- Translation & localization, proofreading, and editing in a multilingual context (EN-FR-DE)
- UX/UI, web design

Embassy of the Kingdom of Belgium in Zagreb

May - Aug 2019

- Intern in the consular/political section
- Policy overviews, international news, conference attendance
- Research and administrative support, daily multilingual communication (EN-FR-HR)

RELEVANT VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE**Advisory Council on Youth**

Jan 2025 - present

- Member of Advisory Council on Youth in the Council of Europe

Cooperation and Development Network Eastern Europe

Mar 2025 - Mar 2026

- Member of the Executive Committee 2025/2026 - Office Responsible, Action Teams, Balkan Regional Responsible

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Jan 2024 - present

- Regional editor overseeing articles for Western Balkans
- Covering relevant news, happenings, cultural and political moments of the region

Sustainable Development Forum Green Window

Feb 2020 - present

- Member of the Executive Board 2024-2026 - Secretary General
- European Green Activists Training participant (2019/2020) & Coordinator (2022, 2024); *Let's Train* co-coordinator
- *CDN experience*: Green Cities for a Sustainable Planet (2022, participant); Cross-Regional Meeting (2023, participant); General Assembly (2024, delegate), Breaking the Barriers (2024, Prep Team Member)

Beyond Growth Platform - Coordinator (FYEG)

Apr 2023 - present

- Working on relevant research topics, policy proposals, articles, and other projects
- Coordinating members and their workload, planning and collaborating with lead and other coordinators on the direction of the group, building knowledge and resource databases

Ecosprinter Editorial Board

May 2022 - May 2023

- Editing and publication of articles on a variety of green issues in Europe and beyond, publication of an annual edition *Tax the Rich*
- Communication, social media, and website maintenance

EDUCATION

MA in International Relations and Diplomacy, 2022-2025

Libertas University, Zagreb

MA in English & French, 2019-2021

University of Zagreb

- Anglophonia Student Conference 2019 Organizing Committee
- Editor-in-chief of Anglophonia 2019 conference proceedings
- Collaborator on projects (editing, proofreading)
- Student Body Representative for English and French

- *Dissertations*
 - America Through Its Inaugural Poets (American studies)
 - Jacques Poulin, 'La traduction est une histoire d'amour' - comparison of human and machine translation (Translation, French)

BA in English & French, 2014-2019

University of Zagreb

- Erasmus+ Study - academic year 2017/2018 semester abroad, Masaryk University, Brno, Czechia
- Collaborator on projects (editing, proofreading) - student magazines, conference proceedings

Classical Gymnasium in Zagreb, 2010-2014

MISCELLANEOUS

Additional courses & workshops (selected)

- Micro-qualification programme "Public Policy Analysis" (University of Rijeka, 2026)
- Politics and Narratives at European Borderlands: Rethinking Balkans for Ukraine' course (CEU, 2024)
- EU projects education project (2022)
- Zama "Sustainable development in practice" course (2021)
- ClimAlt – e-course on climate change (2019/2020)

Published works

- "Be Men, or Be More Than Men": Frankenstein, Frankissstein, and Judith Butler (Patchwork 7, 2021)
- Fine-grained human evaluation of NMT applied to literary text: case study of a French-to-Croatian translation (Conference on Language Technologies & Digital Humanities 2022)

LANGUAGES

Croatian



English



French



German



Russian



Swedish



Spanish



Chinese



SKILLS

- Microsoft Office
- mac.OS
- SQL
- ArcGIS
- Canva