EC1 Filip Janković

Proposers:
Agenda item: 6. Executive Committee Candidates

Introduction

I am running for re-election to the CDN Executive Committee to continue strengthening our network and supporting activists in their political struggles. With experience in strategic planning, fundraising, and international activism, I have worked to amplify voices across Eastern Europe and beyond. In these challenging times, we must stand in solidarity to defend democracy, support a sovereign Ukraine in internationally recognised borders, and build a future rooted in justice and security.



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21

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Belgrade, 26/02/2025

Subject: Application for Executive Committee 2025/26

Dear Delegates,

My name is Filip Janković, and I am currently serving as a member of the Executive Committee (EC) of CDN. I am writing to express my candidacy for a second term, as I remain committed to strengthening our network and supporting our member organizations in their political and activist struggles.

During my mandate in the EC, I primarily served as the Balkan responsible, ensuring regular and effective communication between CDN and its member organizations in the region. Through this role, I have worked closely with activists and organizations to amplify their voices and provide necessary support in their efforts. Most recently, I was a part of the preparatory team for CDN's 2024 Study Session: Breaking the Barriers in Budapest, where I contributed to designing the program and ensuring its smooth implementation.

My experience extends to strategic planning, event organization, and fundraising, having worked on securing funding from institutions such as the Westminster Foundation, the European Endowment for Democracy, and Green Forum Sweden. Beyond my engagement in CDN, I have been actively involved in youth activism for over six years through various local, national, and international organizations.

I decided to run for re-election because I firmly believe that now, more than ever, we must stand in solidarity to safeguard our freedoms and future. The collapse of Novi Sad railway station's canopy and subsequent protests that brought Serbia to a standstill serves as a stark reminder of the challenges we face as Eastern Europeans in securing fair democratic processes. Serbia's case highlights broader issues affecting our region—democratic backsliding, systemic violence, threat to basic security, and the continuous erosion of the rule of law. The ruling elite's willingness to jeopardize our security and fundamental rights for their own interests only reinforces the urgency of our fight.

Europe is facing challenging times with the re-election of Donald Trump and the resurgence of American isolationism, which directly benefits the russian imperial state and its destabilizing ambitions. Trump's exploitation of Ukrainian resources only underscores the urgency of our fight for a free and sovereign Ukraine within its pre-2014 borders. Now more than ever, we must push for strong security guarantees from the West to ensure Ukraine's rightful place as an independent and resilient nation.

To address these challenges, we need an Executive Committee that will not only support our member organizations but also actively work to build international alliances that strengthen our network. With my experience in international activism, strategic planning, and political organising, I am confident in my ability to contribute to the EC’s work and to represent the diverse voices within our network.

I ask for your trust and support in re-electing me to the Executive Committee so that together, we can continue to fight for a future worth living.

Green greetings
Filip Janković



Filip Janković

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Executive Committee Member

Cooperation and Development Network Eastern Europe [04/2024 – Current]

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- **Balkan responsible** – Served as the main contact between CDN and Balkan organizations, facilitating effective communication and cooperation.
- **Fundraising** – Led fundraising activities, including cooperation with organizations such as the Westminster Foundation, the European Endowment for Democracy, and Green Forum Sweden, indirectly funded by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency.
- **Member of the Prep team for Study Session 2024: Breaking the barriers** – Contributed to the development and organisation of a seven-day educational program, including the creation of the session outlines, and providing logistical and structural support during the event.

Board member

Solidarity Action Day Movement in Europe (SAME) [07/2021 – 07/2023]

Address: Fleischhauerstraße 16 1st floor, 23552 Lübeck (Germany)

- **Event and Activity Coordination** – Coordinated the organisation of various events and activities for young people across Europe, including cultural, educational, and environmental initiatives, engaging more than 200 young participants annually.
- **International Cooperation** – Developed strategic partnerships with organisations across Europe, guiding teams to strengthen the collaboration network and promote joint initiatives.
- **Legal Compliance** – Led amendments to the organisation's statutes to align with Belgian legislation, ensuring its stability and legal status at the international level. This compliance secured long-term operational functionality and increased trust among partners.
- **Sustainable Development** – Initiated and implemented a sustainability policy within the organisation, covering environmental, social, and economic aspects, laying the foundation for responsible operations and long-term community impact.

International officer

JEF Serbia (Youth Forum of the European Movement in Serbia) [10/2024 – Current]

Address: Kralja Milana 31 2nd floor, 11000 Belgrade (Serbia)

- **Team coordination and member engagement** – Leads the international relations team of JEF Serbia, actively involving members in international activities to strengthen their influence on the global stage.
- **International cooperation** – Coordinates collaboration between the Executive Board of JEF Europe and JEF Serbia, ensuring the alignment of activities and goals.
- **Statement drafting and student protest support** – Authored the first joint statement of JEF Serbia and JEF Europe on student protests in Serbia, working on international promotion and connecting with relevant stakeholders to support student initiatives.

Vice President

Student Council of the Fifth Belgrade Gymnasium [01/2021 – 05/2022]

Address: Ilije Garašanina 28, 11060 Belgrade (Serbia)

- **Organizational and managerial skills** – Coordinated various school events, including cultural activities, sports events, and educational workshops.
- **Team management and task delegation** – Led a team of over 80 student representatives, assigning tasks and ensuring effective communication among members.
- **Collaboration and communication** – Worked with school staff, teachers, and external partners in organizing and implementing events.
- **Logistics and process monitoring** – Ensured all necessary resources and logistical support for successful events, tracking deadlines and execution.
- **Advocacy** – Led an advocacy campaign to improve access to digital devices in primary and secondary schools in Serbia during the hybrid education period caused by the pandemic.
- **Event and activity coordination** – Organized youth activities, including humanitarian, cultural, and environmental projects, as well as the first National Academy for Sustainable Development and a regional online debate tournament during the pandemic.

Office manager

European Movement in Serbia [02/2025 – Current]

Address: Kralja Milana 31 2nd floor, 11000 Belgrade (Serbia)

- **Organisational skills** – Coordinates the activities of the Secretary-General and office staff, including organising meetings and events.
- **Administrative skills** – Maintains an organised archive and oversees all administrative tasks, including correspondence and document management.
- **Regulatory knowledge** – Ensures compliance with office regulations.
- **Attention to detail** – Supervises office maintenance and essential resources while providing administrative support for communication and correspondence.

Internship

British Council [02/2024 – 02/2025]

Address: Bulevar vojvode Bojovića 6-8 2nd floor, 11000 Belgrade (Serbia)

- **Administrative support** – Assisted in document management, logistics coordination, and project communication.
- **Event organization** – Helped plan, coordinate, and execute cultural and educational events to enhance international cooperation.
- **Project preparation and implementation** – Participated in developing and implementing project initiatives in line with the organization's strategic goals.
- **Designing project calls** – Supported the creation and definition of grant criteria and calls for educational and cultural programs.
- **Project application review** – Analyzed and reviewed submitted applications, ensuring compliance with set standards.
- **Collaboration with partners and institutions** – Maintained communication and coordination with educational institutions, cultural organizations, and other relevant stakeholders.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Student

Department of Sociology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade [10/2022 – Current]

Address: Čika Ljubina 18-20 3rd floor, 11000 Belgrade (Serbia) | **Website:** www.f.bg.ac.rs | **Level in EQF:** EQF level 6

General Secondary Education

Fifth Belgrade Gymnasium [09/2018 – 05/2022]

Address: Ilije Garašanina 24, 11060 Belgrade (Serbia) | **Website:** www.vbeogradska.edu.rs | **Level in EQF:** EQF level 4

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Serbian

Other language(s):

English	**German**
LISTENING C2 **READING** C2 **WRITING** C2	**LISTENING** B1 **READING** B1 **WRITING** B1
SPOKEN PRODUCTION C2 **SPOKEN INTERACTION** C2	**SPOKEN PRODUCTION** B1 **SPOKEN INTERACTION** B1

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

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office: Word, Excel & Powerpoint / Google Gmail Google Drive Google Docs Google Sheets Google Slides / Nextcloud

Work-related skills

Organisational skills / Decision-making / Ability to work independently and in a team / Communication

Zelena Omladina Srbije
Patrijarha Gavrila 6, Beograd

Letter of support

On behalf of the Green Youth of Serbia, I'm writing to express my support for Filip Jankovic's candidacy for the position of CDN's Executive Committee member for 2025/26!

Filip's engagement remains one of the cornerstones of the organizational and political development of ZOS. His experience, partly from his previous engagements and partly from his years with us in the Board, helped us stay afloat and develop structures to suit our growing organization. He remains one of our most active members. His work to maintain our international relationships as a ZOS member and his efforts to engage Balkan MOs as a CDN representative were both very helpful.

Filip's past year in CDN served both his growth as a political actor and the MOs he has been in contact with. His motivation and organizational skills have helped your organization cultivate active membership in the Balkans, and we all know firsthand how valuable he is for organizing an event. He would be an invaluable asset for another year and the entirety of ZOS supports his aspirations to rerun.

Belgrade, 09. 02. 2025.
Anđela Marković
International secretary of the Green Youth of Serbia

