

OR-REC EC Recommendations – Membership and Observership Applications

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Resolution text

1 This document is the assessment of the applications for CDN Membership or
2 Observership done by the Executive Committee, and recommendation to GA. Of
3 course, the final decision is up to the GA.

4 **1. Restart Gavar Youth NGO**

5 We had contacts with Restart Gavar Youth NGO previously, with their
6 International Project Manager Nona present at two of our events (but as
7 representative of FYN), and some members participating in our digital space.

8 Regarding the membership criteria:

- 9 • General criteria: The deeper research is needed. The organisation is
10 youth-led, but the limit is only 18+ (no upper age limit). Regarding the
11 democratic structures, the role of president in the status is quite high
12 (only one defined position, elected for the 5-years term). EC assess it
13 might work in the local context, but that further contact with the
14 organisation in the next year needs to be established in order to assess
15 the democratic structures of the organisation.
- 16 • Sustainability criteria: Fulfilled. The organisation is working in a
17 continuous way, organising several projects each year. It was established
18 in 2023, and gained a stable volunteer base.
- 19 • Value and issue criteria: The deeper research is needed. The organisation
20 is working especially on democracy and youth participation, which are core
21 CDN values, but we are not able to assess their stance on other CDN and
22 Green values. We believe that closer research next year is needed.

23 Our current organisation from Armenia, FYN, was asked about their opinion, but
24 did not reply in a given time.

25 Thus, EC says that it is yet too early to say if Restart Gavar Youth NGO fulfill
26 all the membership criteria. EC thus recommends voting against Restart Gavar
27 Youth NGO as a Member Organisation, and instead recommends accepting it as an
28 Observer Organisation, with potential pathway to membership in next years.

29 **2. JUST**

30 No contacts with JUST were established previously. One of the JUST's board
31 members was present at our event, but a bit before the establishment of the

32 organisation. We just became aware of the existence of organisation in the
33 moment of receiving an application.

34 Regarding the membership criteria:

- 35 • General criteria: Fulfilled. The organisation is youth-only, registered,
36 and has democratic structures (board and general assembly).
- 37 • Sustainability criteria: Not fulfilled. The organisation was only
38 established in October 2025. The application states that they are
39 conducting the activities, but are not listing them, and we are not aware
40 about their specific activities.
- 41 • Value and issue criteria: The deeper research is needed. The organisation
42 claims to promote green values in most of its policy areas. We do not have
43 reasons to not believe them, but due to the lack of previous contact, we
44 cannot assess it positively as well.

45 Our current MO from Georgia did not have strong preference for or against JUST,
46 having little knowledge of them as well.

47 Thus, EC assess JUST at this moment does not fulfill all the membership
48 criteria. EC thus recommends voting against JUST as a Member Organisation, and
49 instead recommends accepting it as an Observer Organisation, with potential
50 pathway to membership in next years.

51 3. CKO

52 We have contacts with people from CKO, but as back-then members of our Serbian
53 MO ZOS. No institutional contact between CDN and CKO was established previously.

54 Regarding the membership criteria:

- 55 • General criteria: Fulfilled. The organisation is youth-only, registered,
56 and has democratic structures (board and general assembly).
- 57 • Sustainability criteria: Fulfilled. The organisation is implementing
58 multiple projects on different topics.
- 59 • Value and issue criteria: The deeper research is needed. The organisation
60 core values and activities include democracy, human rights and social
61 justice, however deeper research would be needed to assess their stance
62 towards green values and green political family as a whole.

63 Our current MO from ZOS recommends to vote against the organisation. The reasons
64 will be explained by the EC for the delegates at the General Assembly.

65 Thus, EC assess CKO at this moment does not fulfill all the membership criteria.
66 EC thus recommends voting against CKO as a Member Organisation.

67 4. Climate Pioneers

68 The contact person of Climate Pioneers was present at our 2025 Study Session. No
69 further institutional contacts were established as per now.

70 Regarding the membership criteria:

- 71 • General criteria: Fulfilled. The organisation is youth-only, registered,
72 and has democratic structures (board and general assembly).
- 73 • Sustainability criteria: Fulfilled. They are a successful NGO, working
74 since 2021 with multiple projects.
- 75 • Value and issue criteria: Not fully fulfilled. The organisation is working
76 in the climate field, but staying apolitical in other areas. We believe
77 that the participants from Climate Pioneers are thus valuable for CDN and
78 its MOs, but do not qualify for MO.

79 We received a negative recommendation for their Membership, but positive for the
80 Observership, from our current Turkish MO Genç Yeşiller. GY wants to cooperate
81 with Climate Pioneers, but believes that they do not fulfill the criteria. The
82 reasons were included in this recommendation.

83 Thus, EC assess Climate Pioneers do not fulfill all the membership criteria. EC
84 thinks that they are a valuable point of the civic society in Eastern Europe and
85 wants to have cooperation with them, thus recommending voting against Climate
86 Pioneers as a Member Organisation, but instead recommends accepting it as an
87 Observer Organisation.

88 5. NGO “SATELLITE”

89 We had established contact with NGO “Satellite” since at least July 2025. We
90 participated in a call together regarding potential cooperation and path to
91 Membership. Two representatives of the organisation participated in
92 “Environmental consequences of war” activity, their CEO Anna Bilous was also the
93 speaker on “Sustainable recovery and reconstruction” webinar organised together
94 by CDN and Polish YGs in February 2026.

95 Regarding the membership criteria:

- 96 • General criteria: Fulfilled. It is a youth organisation (age limit 13-35),
97 it has democratic structures (annual General Assembly, Board elected for 2
98 years term).
- 99 • Sustainability criteria: Fulfilled. They are a well-established
100 organisation, conducting their activities since 2023 in a continuous way.
101 Their organised events and programmes on the environment, as well as
102 capacity-building non-formal education events.
- 103 • Value and issue criteria: Fulfilled. They organised the activities on
104 almost all the pillars of democracy, environment, security and peace-
105 building. Also inclusion policy is one of their priorities.

106 Hence, EC assesses that NGO “Satellite” fulfills all the membership criteria
107 defined in the IRPs. However, due to the application coming up late (deadline
108 prolonged by the EC), and thus, EC being out of capacities and deciding not to
109 contact our current organisation from Ukraine, EC decides to not recommend the
110 NGO “Satellite” for the Membership, and leave this decision to the GA.

111 In case of an Observership vote, EC recommends the NGO “Satellite” for the
112 Observership status.