



**EUROPEAN YOUTH PARLIAMENT**

# **Report of the Selection Panel**

**President of the 94<sup>th</sup> International Session in Nicosia,  
Cyprus**



The Selection Panel, composed of Mrs Elena Odysseos (as the Head-Organiser of the Session and the designated representative of the National Organising Committee), Mr. Andrea Stagni (as the Past Session President) and Mr. Janis Fifka (as the Member of the Governing Body) convened on the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2020 to select the President for the 94<sup>th</sup> International Session in Nicosia. Mrs. Anya Suprunenko joined the panel as a silent member from the International Office. The panel unanimously agreed to invite

### **Mrs Saga Eriksson (FI)**

to preside the International Session in Nicosia. The panel was above all impressed by Saga's:

- Concrete vision for implementing the theme of session, developing from the vision as set out by the NOCs;
- Innovative approach to CMO training and interaction, reflecting an inclusive understanding of her role as president;
- Commitment to build an inclusive team and experience for all participants, as well as a collaborative approach to the session leadership;
- Balanced plan for making academics accessible for all participants whilst ensuring all aspects of the “social edge” are also implemented;
- Excellent evaluation from past EYP experiences, which confirmed the reasoning in her application, thus proving a high level of self-awareness.

## **Remarks from the panel**

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The Selection Panel received **2** applications by the end of the deadline. The panel reviewed and discussed both application thoroughly. The quality and content of the application, evaluations, the candidate's vision as well as their understanding of the NOC's vision, especially the within the framework of its four pillars (“#culturledge”, “#socialledge”, “#politicalledge” and “PeopleOnTheEdge”) were given special consideration. The panel found that both candidates fulfilled all criteria as set out by the [policy](#) on the selection of IS presidents.

The panel first discussed both applications on their own merits, focusing on the candidate's vision for implementing the theme of the session, their motivation to preside Nicosia 2020 in particular, as well as their ability to lead the officials' team. Past performances were taken into consideration by referring to the available evaluations. As both candidates presented strong applications, the panel proceeded by comparing the two applications question by question, using the selection criteria as a reference frame to guide the decision. After thorough discussion, the panel decided that Saga's application presented a more concrete vision of how to implement the session's themes, especially a strong cross-team cooperation, and a stronger case for how she fulfilled the selection criteria.

The panel would like to express their gratitude to both applicants for the time and effort they put into their applications. The unsuccessful candidate has been informed about the selection before the publication of the report and has been offered feedback on their application.



The panel would like to express their best wishes and support to Saga for presiding the 94<sup>th</sup> International Session of the EYP!

For any questions, comments or doubts do not hesitate to get in touch with the author of the report by writing to [hr@eyp.org](mailto:hr@eyp.org)

On behalf of the Selection panel as the silent member,

Lukas Rosenkranz

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