



EUROPEAN **YOUTH** PARLIAMENT

Call for Chairpersons

Alumni Futures Session 2027

March/April 2027, Berlin





Become a Chairperson for the Alumni Futures Session

The European Youth Parliament turns 40 in 2027, a huge milestone. We want to use the creativity of EYP to create a new vision of Europe. What have learned in the 40 years since 1987, and what kind of Europe do we want to help build by 2047, when EYP turns 60?

What is the Alumni Futures Session?

The Futures Session will bring together 20 EYP alumni across one weekend in March or April 2027 (final date tbc). The weekend will combine EYP's methods with a strategic foresight conversation. The event will feature elements of teambuilding and Committee Work, as well as creating new memories together! The discussions will be based on personal and professional experiences and will not require prior research or preparation. The alumni will come from different countries, sectors, and generations to trace how Europe itself has changed since they first joined EYP and use that as the starting point for imagining the 20 years ahead.

Discussions will be facilitated by two to four EYP alumni from different backgrounds. They will guide up to four small groups of five people each focussing on different topics such as Climate, Tech, Democracy, or Geopolitical dynamics, to be finalised with the chairpersons. The Futures Session's reflections will be turned into a publication "*Europe in 20 Years*" as well as an interactive exhibition that will be displayed at EYP 40 alongside the International Session in Frankfurt am Main, Germany in late July 2027.

Key programme elements (to be further refined with input from the chairpersons):

- Friday: Arrival, teambuilding and welcome dinner;
- Saturday: Reflection and discussions in small groups, guided by the chairpersons (Committee Work). The day will end by finalising the vision into one pitch;
- Sunday: The groups present their visions, further refining the pitches and reliving the thrill of attending a General Assembly;
- The programme will include opportunities to socialise, as well as breaks, and evening activities.



Role and Profile of the two Chairpersons

As a chairperson (facilitator), you will, together with other alumni chairperson(s), guide participants through the session, prepare activities or guiding questions, and co-develop the format for the output. Your involvement is expected between December 2026 and April 2027. You will receive a free spot at the anniversary celebration EYP 40 in July 2027 for presentation of the output, if you wish to attend. Ideally, you have some experience in strategic foresight methods.

Your role is to facilitate the participants' discussions with guiding questions with the goal of moving towards an output document. In these discussions, you will provide structure to reflect and stimulate brainstorming and ideation about Europe in the next 20 years. Participants are not expected to conduct extensive prior research, instead they will use their professional and private experience and background to give insight into questions on themes around the future of Europe. Participants will come from various country, professional, age, and EYP experience backgrounds, but will all be alumni who have not been active in EYP in recent years. You are expected to provide a welcoming and reflective space, following the EYP spirit.

The concept, programme, and approach are open to discussions with you as chairpersons, the dates will be set pending on your availability. We are open to ideas to make it more creative, use specific EYP or external methodologies, depending on your experience and preferences.

You are a strong fit for this role if you are:

- Committed to intercultural understanding, democratic values, inclusion, and respectful dialogue,
- Interested in Europe's future, reflecting on the past, and contributing to strategic ideation,
- Able to guide participants towards concrete results while keeping the process participatory,
- Organised, reliable, and responsive throughout a preparatory and follow-up process,
- Experienced in EYP methodology, especially academic teams, training, or facilitation roles,
- Experienced with strategic foresight methods and think-tank event formats,
- Able to dedicate time to the preparatory process, with a total expected workload of maximum 20 hours excluding participation in the session itself,
- A retired EYPer, meaning you have partaken in the EYP but have not been active in recent years, we are not looking for external applicants or for active EYPers.

What we offer:

- Full coverage of travel, accommodation, and meals for the Alumni Futures Session in Berlin,
- Time to reconnect and socialise with fellow EYP alumni from across Europe,
- The chance to expand your network with professionals from different sectors,
- The opportunity to contribute to a unique alumni experience while developing your own facilitation skills.,

Application Process

You can submit your application by emailing your CV and a short motivation directly to Saskia van Berloo (s.van-berloo@eyp.org) and Anne Flotho-Liersch (a.flotho-liersch@eyp.org). Please include your **name, email address, current occupation, nationality, and your experience with EYP**. You can apply until the **31st of October 2026**.