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Dear colleagues, Dear Liberal friends,

Almost 9 months passed since IFLRY's last statutory event in Ghana, where you gave me your trust and elected me as one of the Vice Presidents of our great liberal umbrella. I would like to take the chance to reflect on my experience and on my commitments within IFLRY during this time.

During my election campaign I made two main commitments, which later also appeared in our Bureau Action plan 2018-2020: to be a true **IFLRY advocate**, which means attending national events of our MOs as well as international ones as IFLRY representative in order to make our organization even more present. Furthermore, to contact member organizations that are not part of IFLRY and to attract them to become our members and supporters, which is also one of our main pillars in the Action plan 2018-2020.

Attending national and international events as IFLRY representative

Since my election as Vice President at the GA in Ghana I attended the LYMEC Spring Congress in Berlin and had the chance to get to know the new LYMEC Bureau, with whom we discussed further joint cooperation. In June I attended the ALDE Council Meeting in Sofia, where I got the chance to get in touch with Presidents and IOs of organizations such as SMC Slovenia, Novoczesna Youth (the Czech Republic), which are still not part of IFLRY, but hopefully will become in the upcoming year. At the end of June I attended the National conference of our Macedonian MO LiDeM, where we discussed our further cooperation and they declared their willingness to become active in IFLRY again. Currently, they paid their debts and are again one of the IFLRY good standing MO.

I also attended the Regional FNF Women Academy in July, where I had the chance to talk about IFLRY and IFLRY's values, goals, etc.

IFLRY membership – one of the main pillars in Action plan 2018-2020

As part of our outreach strategy, together with my colleagues Sven Gerst and Pedro Urruchurtu and of course the rest of the Bureau, we tried to reach out to MOs from different regions from around the world and currently we have 7 organizations applied for IFLRY membership. I was the one to help the organizations with the application process and to follow whether the documentation is sent out on time and whether it meets IFLRY requirements.

As responsible for the Balkans/ Eastern Europe I was the one to approach several MOs in the region, from which TLDE Romania was the organization, which I wanted to see applying for full membership at the upcoming GA in Barcelona. It happened and I am proud of it.

The "Free Trade" programme is the one I am responsible for. At the beginning of our term we hired new Programme managers and I am proud of the people who are currently in charge of this programme. They both – Richard and Benedikte have great ideas to "revive" the programme and to make it relevant taking into consideration the different perspectives/ climate



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in the different regions. With mine and of course the Bureau's assistance, they will continue to work on organizing an event on the topic with the main aim to share best practices and get invaluable insights on the different perspectives of the free trade.

Of course, a lot still needs to be done and I believe that together with my colleagues in the Bureau will continue to work on expanding and making IFLRY even more visible and present.

Attended Events:

- General Assembly, Ghana, March 2018
- Work plan event: Budapest, May 2018
- Bureau Meeting, Budapest, May 2018
- Spring LYMEC Congress, April 2018
- General assembly, Barcelona, November 2018

Online Bureau meetings attended: 11 out of 12 Bureau meetings

Thank you very much and looking forward to meeting you all in Barcelona!

Sincerely Yours,
Gyulfie Arnaudova

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gyulfie", written in a cursive style.