

## **Danylo Korbabicz, IFLRY Vice President**

### **Report for the Nov 13-15/2015 Exec Committee in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic**

I am pleased to report to the membership on activities since our last meeting in Vienna, Austria. It has been an extremely busy time. The office has been occupied trying to ensure all our operational grants were in order, and filed on time. As many of you know, this has been the most successful Bureau, particularly from a financial point of view, in many years. The hidden side of this are the countless hours of grant writing that take place behind the scenes with both the European Commission and the Council of Europe so that we can continue offering the membership frequent high quality events and conferences around the world. Most executive members were involved in the lengthy drafting of this. On the domestic front, after one of the longest electoral periods in Canadian history, the Liberal Party is finally in power after 10 years. I expect we will re-engage on a number of fronts internationally, including the sponsorship of future IFLRY events. As noted, it has been a very busy time!

#### Key Events since the Vienne General Assembly

4th August – 19th October Canadian Federal Election, Various, Canada

13th - 17th August 2015 IFLRY BY / UA Programme Summer School "Towards a Liberal Future"  
Kyiv Region, Ukraine

20th – 23rd August 2015 Young Democrats of America National Convention 2015, Los Angeles  
California

26th – 30th August 2015 World Congress of Ukrainian Youth Annual General Meeting, Odessa,  
Ukraine

25th September 2015 Working Visit to the IFLRY Bureau Office, London, United Kingdom

19th – 28 October 2015 OSCE Election Observation Mission, Dnipropetrovs'k Ukraine

#### Climate Change Programme

Led by and in partnership with Tone Bjorndal, we have created one of the most effective programs run by IFLRY. Building upon our climate change themed GA conference in Vienna, the Programme has finalized IFLRY's position paper on environmental policy – the first such policy document IFLRY has produced in years. This after consultation with the Programme Team, the executive, and our Member Organizations around the world. Leading up to the Climate Change Conference in Paris, France, we once again have a diverse and accomplished group of 8+ young liberals from around the world ready to participate for two weeks in December. And again, this will be one of the largest delegations IFLRY has sent in years.

#### Belarus and Ukraine Programme

Led by and in partnership with Treasurer Daniel George, we continue to secure funds from IDI, VVD, and other international initiatives for one of our most active programs. In that sense our agenda for 2016 is secure with events in Ukraine, Lithuania, and Poland planned accounted for.

We have one event left for 2015 focused on internet security. And particularly given the Liberal victory in Canada, we are assured of financial support for F2016 from the Embassy of Canada.

### Conclusion

As the Bureau enters the last quarter of our mandate, there is still a lot of work to do. We have an upcoming seminar, follow-up on any audit requests from our key funders, a Bureau and Programme Managers meeting in Paris in December, Bureau staffing challenges, and of course planning for the AGM in 2016. I am proud of all our team has accomplished – together – over the past years, and look forward to completing our mandate with a strong, financial stable, and content relevant IFLRY.

Yours in Liberalism,

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