



IFLRY

General Assembly and Conference

1st – 4th June 2017 Thessaloniki, Greece

Technical Reader



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your dedication to the cause of liberalism and for your interest in the International Federation of Liberal Youth.

We look forward to welcoming you at this General Assembly and Conference.

This event is held in collaboration with IFLRY member organisations, FNF and D66.

In this reader please you will find important information regarding the logistical aspects of the event. There are instructions about getting to your hotel, details concerning the supporters of the events, and the agenda. Please read it carefully.

If you have any further questions before the event, do not hesitate to contact the IFLRY Office via email (office@iflry.org), by phone (+44 784 289 3871) or fax (+44 207 100 8159).

See you soon!

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Technical Information

Dates

The GA will officially open during the evening of **Thursday 1st June** and close during the noon of **Sunday 4th June**. This will be the 40th General Assembly that IFLRY has held since its founding! A conference titled "Youth Autonomy & Economic Self-Determination" will be held on **2nd June**. A three-day seminar on the same topic, to further deepening the understanding and develop practical tools to be used within IFLRY's member organisations will be held between **4th and 7th June 2017**, starting right after the General Assembly.

Participants in the General Assembly and Conference are expected to arrive early on **Thursday 1st June** and leave during the afternoon of **Sunday 4th June**. Participants of the General Assembly and Conference, and the Seminar are expected to arrive early on **Thursday 1st June** and leave during the afternoon of **Wednesday 7th June**.

Participation Fee

The fee of 90€ is to be paid prior to the event and by bank transfer, unless other arrangements are made with the office and if the bank transfer is not free of charge for both parties. IFLRY's banking details are:

Name of account holder: International Federation of Liberal Youth

Account no: 430-0285381-95 **IBAN:** BF76 4300 2853 8195

BIC: KREDBEBB

Bank Address: KBC Bank NV, Arenbergstraat 11, 1000 BRUSSEL, Belgium

As a payment reference please write "General Assembly 2017, Thessaloniki", your name, organisation and country. The member organisations are responsible for the payment of participation fees of their delegates and will be invoiced in case participants fail to pay the fee. The fee is to be paid at the latest 10 days prior to the event and by bank transfer, unless other arrangements are made with the office:

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Cancellation

The deadline for confirming participation is 1st May 2017. In case of a cancellation later than 14 days prior to the event (after 16th of May) the full participation fee will be charged. No fee will however be charged if the cancellation is due to failure to obtain a visa to Greece.

Accommodation, Meals and Travel

The participation fee of 90 € for the GA and conference includes:

- Accommodation on the nights of 1st, 2nd, 3rd June
- Breakfast on 2nd, 3rd, 4th June
- Lunch and dinner between 2nd-3rd June

Coffee breaks are provided free of charge throughout.

Costs which are not included are social evening events, non-receipted travels, and travel within free time. Cost attributed to arrivals or departures outside the time frame are at your own accord. In case of a cancellation later than 16th May, the full participation fee will be charged.

<u>Visas</u>

Unfortunately, IFLRY is not able to cover visa costs. Please check if you need a visa to enter Greece. Information about specific countries can be found here:

http://www.mfa.gr/en/visas/visas-for-foreigners-traveling-to-greece/

Currency

The local currency in Greece is the Euro.

Adapter for Electrical Equipment

Electricity in Greece is supplied at 220 Volts. If you wish to use electrical equipment you will need a European two pin adaptor with round pins.



Language

English is the working language for these events, and translations will not be available. Participants should therefore have a sound command of English.

Organisation Display

There will be opportunities for IFLRY member organisations to display material and literature from their organisation. It is encouraged for participations to bring material to distribute.

Cultural Event

The seminar will include a cultural evening. For this, IFLRY asks each participant to bring a small sampling of food and drink from their country.

Dress Code

The dress code for the duration of the events is smart casual. You may wish to consider the weather while choosing what to wear – the temperature in Thessaloniki is likely to vacillate between 26°C-28°C. There is also a chance of clouds and rain from time to time.

Drinking Water

The tap water is not potable throughout the country. Although it is perfectly safe to drink water from the tap in Thessaloniki it is better to ask in all the other places or even better buy bottled water which is fairly cheap.

Sightseeing

If you would like to visit Greece, consider arriving earlier or departing later at your own cost. For information on certain key landmarks please consult the list further below.

Emergency Contacts

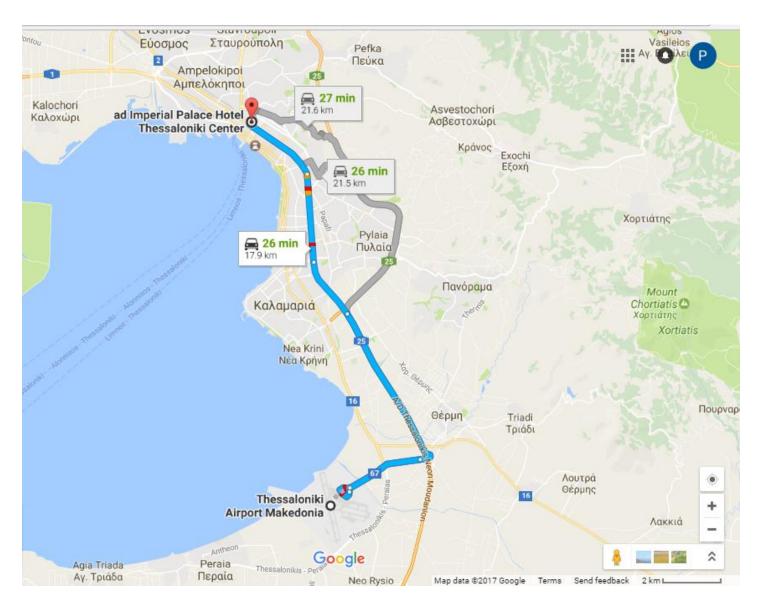
In case of emergency, please have recourse to one of the following contacts:

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Venue

The events will take place in <u>Imperial Hotel</u>, 13 Antigonidon Street, Thessaloniki, 54630, Greece. The hotel is a 25-40 minute drive from Thessaloniki airport and a direct taxi would cost between 25-30 Euros (directions shown in the picture below). Alternatively you could take a bus from the airport, one leaves every 30 minutes during the day (the nearest stop is Tsimiski Street, 5 minutes away from the hotel). More detailed travel information can be found <u>here</u>.





People who want to reserve additional nights at the hotel

Those wishing to reserve additional nights in the Imperial Hotel at a lower rate can make their reservation directly through the hotel website using the following instructions:

<u>Step 1</u>: Visit the website <u>www.ad-imperial-hotel.gr</u> and click on booking code as shown below.



Step 2: Apply (all with capital letters)

The booking Code: IFLRY2017



<u>Step 3:</u> Insert the dates and the type of room you would like stay with us & finalise your reservation.



List of Participants

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	ORGANISATION	COUNTRY
Damian	Arabia	Juventud Unión por la Libertad	Argentina
Satenik	Petrosyan	ANC Youth	Armenia
Ahmed	Kosovac	Naša Stranka	Bosnia & Herzegovina
Gyulfie	Arnaudova	Youth MRF	Bulgaria
Myumyun	Myumyun	Youth MRF	Bulgaria
Melisa	Sevki	Youth MRF	Bulgaria
Sunay	Sulaymanov	Youth MRF	Bulgaria
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Eva	Panisello	Joventut Nacionalista de Catalunya	Catalonia (Spain)
Marina	Ramio	Joventut Nacionalista de Catalunya	Catalonia (Spain)
Meritxell	Vicheto Anguela	Joventut Nacionalista de Catalunya	Catalonia (Spain)
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Víctor	López Payà	Joventut Nacionalista de Catalunya	Catalonia (Spain)
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Victor	Boysen	Radikal Ungdom	Denmark
Laura	Elmquist Risager	Radikal Ungdom	Denmark
Kristian Lausten	Madsen	Venstres Ungdom	Denmark
Casper	Pedersen	Venstres Ungdom	Denmark
Hilkka	Kemppi	Finnish Centre Youth	Finland
Juho	Kekäläinen	Finnish Centre Youth	Finland
Johanna	Mantere	Svensk Ungdom - Swedish Youth	Finland
Niklas	Drexler	Junge Liberale	Germany
Franziska	Brandmann	Junge Liberale	Germany
Sven	Hilgers	Junge Liberale	Germany
Oliver	Olpen	Junge Liberale	Germany
Florian Philipp	Ott	Junge Liberale	Germany
Nicolas	Wigger Genannt Lütke Lembeck	JuLis	Germany



Mohamed	Saad	Future Youth	Lebanon
Ivan Ilich	Gonzalez	Alianza Joven	Mexico
	Contreras		
Juan Pablo	Encinas Islas	Alianza Joven	Mexico
Hatim	Beggar	Jeunesse Haraki	Morocco
Hicham	El Fekri	Jeunesse Haraki	Morocco
Leon	Ploegstra	IDI/D66 International	The Netherlands
Joris	Zevenbergen	JOVD	The Netherlands
Niels	Bos	JOVD	The Netherlands
Marijn	de Pagter	JOVD	The Netherlands
Carlijn	Olde Reuver	Jonge Democraten	The Netherlands
Mark	de Groot	Jonge Democraten	The Netherlands
Carmen	Vermeer	Jonge Democraten	The Netherlands
Elin	Engerbakk	Norges Unge Venstre (NUV)	Norway
Tord	Hustveit	Norges Unge Venstre (NUV)	Norway
Nora Kirstine	Waagbø	Young liberals of Norway (Unge Venstre)	Norway
Øyvind Kristian	Dammerud	Norges Liberale Studentforbund	Norway
Rafał	Szkudlarek	Projekt:Polska	Poland
Rafal	Kuzmicki	Nowoczesna Youth	Poland
Anton	Gorbatsevich	Youth Democratic	Russian Federation
		Movement "Vesna"	
Bogdan	Litvin	Youth Democratic	Russian Federation
		Movement "Vesna"	
Lidia	Rauch	African Liberal Youth (ALY)	South Africa
Olle Bengt	Jonsson	Liberala ungdomsförbundet LUF	Sweden
Marcus	Nilsen	Liberala ungdomsförbundet LUF	Sweden
Ellen	Wangdell	Centre Party Youth	Sweden
Υυ	Jung Chen	Democratic Progressive Party of Taiwan	Taiwan
Nazlican	Kanmaz	3H Movement	Turkey
Iuliia	Rudenko	European Youth of Ukraine	Ukraine
Yaroslav	Vasylyuk	European Youth of Ukraine	Ukraine



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Agenda

IFLRY General Assembly Thessaloniki, Greece, 1st-4th June 2017

- 1. Opening
- 2. Roll Call & Voting Rights
- 3. Election of the Chairs & Returning Officers
- 4. Adoption of the Agenda
- 5. Decision on the Urgency Resolutions
- 6. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- 7. Appointment Officers of the Standing Committee(s)
- 8. Membership Issues
- 9. Presentation and Adoption of the Bureau Reports (Incl. update from the Office, Regional Bureau Members, and Programme Managers)
- 10. Adoption of the Financial Report and Audit Report
- 11. Adoption of the Budget 2017
- 12. Resolutions and Amendments to the Manifesto
- 13. Bureau & Auditor Elections
- 14. News from Member Organisations
- 15. Any other business
- 16. Date and place of next meeting
- 17. Closing



Partners

IFLRY is delighted to be working with the following organisations in the delivery of its General Assembly.

The European Commission

The European Commission (EC) is the executive body of the European Union responsible for proposing legislation, implementing decisions, upholding the EU treaties and managing the day-to-day business of the EU. It seeks to encourage and promote international cooperation on issues ranging from the migrant crisis through to climate change.

D66 Internationaal

D66 Internationaal is the international wing of Democrats 66, a Dutch liberal and progressive party. D66 embraces international cooperation and is keenly concerned with the issues of migration and environmentalism.

FNF

The Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom is a German foundation for liberal politics. The foundation focuses on promoting a vibrant democracy by encouraging citizens to become involved and informed about the political process. It regularly hosts and sponsors seminars and conferences to promote liberal issues.



Visiting Thessaloniki

The White Tower

The White Tower is perhaps the most recognizable spot in Thessaloniki. Depicted on all types of souvenirs and favourite clothes, photographed from all angles, in all seasons and at each hour of the day, it has come to be imprinted on our collective unconscious, an archetypal image. With its distinctive cylindrical shape, its six storeys and its memory-charged history, it has become the city's trademark. When one sets eyes on the White Tower, it means that one has made one of the most fascinating journeys and is in the city of a thousand promises

Arch of Galerius and Rotunda

Built in 306 A.D. by the romans, Rotunda is one of the oldest religious sites of the city.

Going back to the late 3rd century A.D., after a number of long devastating wars, the romans decided to divide the Empire into 4 regions, each with its own provinces, thus leading to the creation of a new form of leadership, the Tetrarchy.

The administrative needs of the Tetrarchy led Galerius to the construction of the Imperial complex in Thessaloniki because of its importance as one of the capitals, after he came into power being one of the 4 rulers.

Galerius Arch (kamara) and Rotunda were basic elements of the palatial complex. Original intensions were predicting its use as a mausoleum, although many archaeologists believe it was initially used as a roman temple. The dimensions of the main structure are quite impressive.

<u>Archaelogical Museum of Thessaloniki</u>

The Archaeological museum of Thessaloniki is one of the most beautiful and important museums of the city. It is located in the center of the city in "Manoli Andronikou" street right after the Byzantine Museum, on the south of Thessaloniki Trade Fair. Due to the city's rich Ancient Greek, Roman and Byzantine history the museum hosts a variety of exhibits that will impress every visitor. Beautiful samples of Roman architecture, unique colorful mosaics, sculptures and jewellery from the Greek Classical and Hellenistic period

Museum of Byzantine Culture



For some the most important museum of the city, as Thessaloniki is arguably the city that has the most intense Byzantine character and beauty.

The museum is housed in modern facilities that include advanced, well-organized conservation laboratories and storerooms. Hundreds of unique exhibits and artefacts throughout the entire Byzantine period are displayed in several different rooms. It has a rather imposing atmosphere while the presentations are well organized and informative.

<u>Aristotelous Square</u>

Aristotelous Square is the city's most central square boasting monumental mansions. It is one of the biggest and most impressive squares in Greece offering a view of Thermaikos Gulf. Under clear skies, you can see the Olympus massif in the far distance from the Square.

Heptapyrgion Castle

The Castle of Thessaloniki, Macedonia: The Castle of Thessaloniki, also known as Heptapyrgion or Yedi Kule, is located on a hill above the Old Town (Ano Poli). Its location gives gorgeous views to the city, the port and the Aegean Sea. The Castle of Thessaloniki was built on the spot of the ancient Acropolis, founded by Cassander in 316 B.C. The walls of the castle, that are still visible today, date from the 4th century A.D. when the Byzantine emperor Theodosius I fortified the town. Many buildings and towers were constructed all along the Byzantine period, till the town was conquered by the Ottomans in 1430. Few years later in 1444, the castle was renovated, old buildings were destroyed and more towers were built. In fact, the Castle has ten towers in total, although its name Heptapyrgion means seven towers.