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| buREAU REPORT – THESSALONIKI GA 2017*Dear members of IFLRY,* I will use this fine opportunity to thank you for showing your support to elect me at the extraordinary General Assembly in Amman, Jordan back in December. Due to those extraordinary circumstances my bureau report is therefore also affected by the short period I have been given as your Vice President. Thus, I will stress the most important areas I have worked on in these months: **IFLRY Online.** 542 members of the FB Group. 26 participants at the first online meeting and 20 online participants for the second meeting. Regular meetings and many fine posts on the group. I must say, that this has greatly exceeded my expectations. The stats speak for themselves. We have a lot of members in the MO’s that see value in IFLRY and what we have to offer – and using an online channel such as this is a very user friendly way to communicate across the globe. **Social media** Together with my dear Vice President colleagues, Anders Rehnberg, and Sven Gerst, we have been administering our Facebook page. With the global focus on the posts and contact with Member Organizations we have created a strong presence on Facebook. Also on Twitter, I have with my fine Vice President colleague, Ahmad Al Rachawani, and our Secretary General, Tone Bjørndal, been vocal with various posts and I have myself used it very actively under the Advisory Council on Youth Elections. **European Youth Forum & COMEM** One of the important things for me as a Vice President has been creating a foundation for us to be advocating our values. One central way of doing that is securing our mandates in councils or forums around the world. That is why I am very happy to have been a part of the campaign that lobbied for getting our amazing Executive Director, Andrea Ugrinoska, elected to the Advisory Council on Youth for the European Council at the Council of Members Meeting in April winning a mandate for 2018-2019.. **LIBEL** As one of the areas of responsibility as a Bureau Member I have been overseeing IFLRY’s blog and news platform, Libel, and acting as a Bureau-buddy to Krijn van Eeden, the Libel programme leader. Together we have worked on making Libel more accessible via newsletter outreach, connecting the IFLRY Online concept with LIBEL and in February we appointed a new Libel co-editor, Zlata Kikteva, to help out with the administration of LIBEL. **General Assembly & Seminar in Thessaloniki** In the preparation to this General Assembly and the upcoming Seminar it has been my task as a Bureau member to actively reach out to our Member Organizationsand for the Seminar especially. I have been a part of the team responsible organizing the event, reaching out to local entrepreneurs for the sessions and preparing the sessions of my own. **Climate Change Programme** Before I became IFLRY’s Vice President and Bureau Member I had already the pleasure of being a member of the Climate Change Programme. In this role I did, in co-operation with Radikal Ungdom’s International Officer, Jonas Nørup Hall-Andersen, an interview and an article with the former Danish Climate Change & Foreign Minister, Martin Lidegaard on the climate change challenges facing the world. **Entrepreneur network in Africa – grant** Jumping in to a bureau that already had projects that were on-going I have tried to join other Bureau Members in their work. As one of my focus area at the elections was the Africa-region it was very naturally to help our Secretary General, Tone Bjørndal, with the Erasmus KA2 grant that was handed in. The past 6 months have been a great experience working with some very inspiring people in IFLRY. If given the mandate I will very much like to continue the work of IFLRY Online, the global focus of our events with hopefully more activities in Africa and, lastly, have a more increased focus on lobbying for grants. *All the best,* //Nickolas Pagonakis *Vice President of the International Federation of Liberal Youth (IFLRY)*  |

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