

## REPORT OF TREASURER

Daniela Para

### YEE ANNUAL MEETING 2020

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Dear friends,

As my second mandate as Treasurer and Vice-chairperson is slowly finishing, I am reflecting about the past year and everything that was done in the YEE network. It was definitely a challenging year, full of ups and downs, but I believe that each experience made us stronger and taught us valuable lessons for the future.

The year started very well, and looked very promising with a new motivated Board, ESC volunteers and Secretary General coming with new ideas for the future of the network, as well as a generous donation from the Roskilde Festival.

Starting with the first meeting, we took the comments and suggestion from the General Assembly and decided to work on changing the statutes and policies of the network, in order to make them more inclusive and youth-friendly. It was a task which took as the whole year to complete, with numerous hours of meetings, discussing, changing and adapting the documents and in the end, we managed to come up with a new, updated version of the statutes for the organisation. It was definitely a new experience, and I am very happy that we managed to do it all together.

The board went through 2 recruitment processes and welcomed two new members of the team, a new Project Manager and a Finance and Office coordinator.

We received the administrative grants and it made us all confident and relieved that our financial situation will be stable throughout the year, therefore it was a good time for planning the office move, which in the end relocated to a more central location in Prague. As the Vice-chairperson I tried to do my best to help and keep up with all the legal and administrative issues which were arising during the process. I was also closely monitoring the budget and the financial issues, by having meeting with the Finance and Office Coordinator and Secretary General.

The sudden outbreak of the corona virus in the whole world affected the work of YEE as well. We couldn't meet for the third physical board meeting and we had to switch the Training Course, as well as the Annual Meeting to an online format. It was definitely challenging, but through regular communication and cooperation the team managed to do it.

At the end of the year, there appeared some human resources problems in the office and trying to solve them took a lot of our time and effort. It was a critical moment for YEE, and it took all my time, effort and energy during the past months. I was also working on the handover process, as the new elected Board will have to go through a recruitment process of a Secretary General.

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The best advice I can give for the new Board is to communicate and cooperate, with each other and the Secretariat, as the lack of communication or miscommunication may lead to tremendous and unpredictable problem.

Nevertheless, I am very thankful to all the Board Members, Secretariat and ESC volunteers for their support, for all the fun times we had together and for giving me the opportunity to learn and develop a lot of useful skills this year.

If you have any questions for me, feel free to reach out.

Kind regards,

Daniela