

Report Organisations applying for membership in YEE at the Annual Meeting 2016

This year there are **four organisations applying for membership** in Youth and Environment Europe, two are applying for full membership and two for associate membership.

Full membership:

- Association 7ARTE (Republic of Kosovo)
- Association for clean environment "Let's do it Macedonia" (Macedonia)

Associate membership:

- Civil Society Organization Eco Logic (Macedonia)
- Armenian Regional Youth NGO (Republic of Armenia)

1. Association 7Arte

7arte is a cultural organisation, with offices in Mitrovica, which supports artists from Kosovo to develop and promote a common European culture.

Country: Republic of Kosovo

Applies for: Full membership

Website: <http://7-arte.org/>

Number of members: 50 members

Age limit: Any person can become a member regardless age. Activities are organised for the target group of people around 25 years of age.

Aims to: Support young Kosovar artists (especially filmmakers) to develop and promote a common European culture.

Activities:

- ❖ Seminars and workshops at local and international level
- ❖ Film festivals and script contests
- ❖ Supporting non formal education
- ❖ Publication and promotion of young artists
- ❖ Exhibitions of figurative and contemporary arts
- ❖ Performing on dramatic and music arts
- ❖ Green Youth Clubs
- ❖ Green & Crafts Fair

- ❖ Recycling art competition
- ❖ Contest “The best garden in Mitrovica”

“7Arte” applies for full membership. Their aims and activities focus on supporting young Kosovar artists (especially filmmakers) to develop and promote a common European culture. However, the organisation does include reference to raising awareness about environmental protection through various activities such as: Green Youth Clubs, Green & Crafts Fair, Recycling art competition and Contest “The best garden in Mitrovica”. As they fulfil all the criteria necessary (youth organisation, dealing with environmental topics) we recommend the General Assembly to accept their application for full membership.

2. Association for clean environment "Let's do it Macedonia"

"Let's do it Macedonia" joined the global action “Let's do it world” in 2012. “Let's Do It World” is an innovative, mass civil movement, started in 2008 when Estonia gathered 50,000 people who cleaned the country in just five hours. Now this movement has international groups working in 112 countries with over 13 million participants.

Country:	Macedonia
Applies for:	Full membership
Website:	http://ajdemakedonija.mk/mk/
Number of members:	6 member organisations
Age limit:	The organisation is mainly run by people aged from 16 to 32. Activities are targeted to people under 32.
Aims to:	Their goal is to clean all of Macedonia illegally discarded waste and to keep Macedonia clean. They hope to create and support sustainable principles for waste management in Macedonia.

Activities:

- ❖ Educational and raising awareness activities
- ❖ Advocacy and creation of public policies
- ❖ Improvement and creation of innovative waste management systems
- ❖ Volunteering
- ❖ Networking and capacity building of environmental organisations

“Let's do it Macedonia” applies for full membership. As they fulfil all the criteria necessary (youth organisation, dealing with environmental topics) we recommend the General Assembly to accept their application for full membership.

3. Civil society Organization Eco Logic

Civil society Organization Eco Logic is non-governmental, non-profitable and non-political organisation dedicated to conservation and improvement of the environment, promotion of modern ecological practice, as well as following and promoting a sustainability principle. The organisation for conservation and improvement of the environment Eco Logic induces and supports positive changes of the environment, as well as any kind of such improvement and conservation.

Country: Macedonia
Applies for: Associate membership
Website: <http://ecologic.mk/>
Number of members: More than 40 members
Age limit: 18-35 years
Aims:

- ❖ Promoting of ecology as scientific field
- ❖ Promoting of the concept for cleaner manufacturing
- ❖ Conservation and improvement of the environment and nature
- ❖ Spreading the ecological knowledge and improving the ecological education
- ❖ Promoting of the sustainable development principle
- ❖ Openings of new “eco-friendly-green” workplaces
- ❖ Possibility of trainings for all interested citizens concerning fields of ecology and conservation of the environment

Activities:

- ❖ Promoting and leading scientific or applicable projects of the ecology and conservation of the environment fields
- ❖ Making of professional and scientific studies of estimating the nature significance and values and grading of the influence on the environment by means of project realizations as well as grading the influence of certain strategies, plans and programmes
- ❖ Providing professional help to governmental authorities and public institutions concerned with various problems arising from using the resources of the environment and socio-economic development
- ❖ Starting activities for resolving present ecological issues
- ❖ Creating or participation in forming strategies for sustainable usage of natural resources

- ❖ Aiding in improving the education in aspects of ecological fields considering all educational levels
- ❖ Educating the population about contaminants, the risk level of contaminants presence in the environment
- ❖ Publication of scientific, professional and popular issues
- ❖ Organisation of scientific and professional gatherings, debates, conference meetings and congresses
- ❖ Maintaining and conducting trainings in the fields of ecology and preservation of the environment
- ❖ Developing and maintaining connections of similar associations and unions in the country and abroad, as well as memberships in international unions, in consent with the approved laws and regulations of the country

Eco Logic applies for associate membership. As they fulfil all the criteria necessary (youth organisation, dealing with environmental topics) we recommend the General Assembly to accept their application for associate membership.

4. Armenian Regional Youth NGO

The non-governmental organisation “Armenian Regional Youth” is a non-governmental organisation established on the basis of the commonness of its members’ interests and their voluntary will, aimed at satisfying spiritual and other non-material needs. The main objectives of the organisation are the promotion of the involvement of regional youth in different spheres of social life and to support the development of social life in the regions of the Republic of Armenia.

Country: Republic of Armenia

Applies for: Associate membership

Website: Not available

Number of members: 20 members

Age limit: 16-35 years

Aims:

- ❖ Unify the efforts and potential of the members and supporters of the organisation to support the activation and development of social life in the regions of the Republic of Armenia
- ❖ Promote the involvement of regional youth in different spheres of social life
- ❖ Promote the regional youth’s concentration and support to solve the country’s most important social, political, and environmental issues

- ❖ Promote the participation of the regional youth in international projects, seminars, and conferences
- ❖ Promote the development of the environmental issues in the regions
- ❖ Make the organisation means of self-expression for the youth and a way of getting rid of stereotypes and complexes
- ❖ Present, develop and protect the educational, social, economic, as well as cultural interests and rights of the regional youth
- ❖ Contribute to strengthening cooperation between the youth of all Armenian regions, Nagorno-Karabakh and Diaspora
- ❖ Contribute to the development of non-formal education in the regions of the Republic of Armenia
- ❖ Convene students and youth conferences, conventions, scientific conferences, lectures, seminars, debates, thematic meetings and discussions among the regional youth
- ❖ Undertake various events aiming at raising the problems of the regional youth and finding ways of solution

Activities: The organisation has been recently founded. There is no reference to past activities. Future activities are being planned.

Armenian Regional Youth NGO applies for associate membership. As the association has been founded in June 2016 they did not have enough time to prove the focus on environment of their activities and aims, we recommend the General Assembly to postpone their acceptance as associate members until they take part in more activities and prove their environmental focus.

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