



International Federation of Liberal Youth

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Invitation

Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009

Subject: 32nd General Assembly of the International Federation of Liberal Youth, The Hague (Netherlands) – November 2009

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to invite you to the 32nd General Assembly of the International Federation of Liberal Youth to be held in The Hague, Netherlands from the 12th to the 14th of November 2009. The General Assembly as well as the succeeding seminar on Human Trafficking are hosted by the IFLRY Full Members JD and JOVD.

The General Assembly promises to become an exciting event with a packed programme full of important issues to be dealt with. Apart from major speakers and panellists, the General Assembly will be electing a new Bureau and dealing with a major revision of the IFLRY Manifesto. The Hague, according to many the world capital of international law, provides a great venue for young liberals to move forward with globalising freedom.

Nominations for the election of the IFLRY Bureau positions (President, Secretary General, Treasurer and 4 Vice Presidents) should be sent by an official representative of an IFLRY Full Member organization to the IFLRY Office (office@iflry.org) by October 15 at midnight (London time). For the election of the two auditors, nominations can be submitted up to the commencement of the respective agenda point.

Organizations that wish to apply for a particular membership status (Full, Candidate, Observer or Regional) should do so by October 1st by submitting the membership application form with the required appendices. The form can be retrieved via the Documents Center or by sending a request to Secretary General Bart Woord (bart@iflry.org).

We kindly ask you to send any amendments to the statutes, the rules of procedure or the manifesto by e-mail by October 1st at midnight (London time). The deadline for handing in resolutions to be dealt with at the General Assembly is October 15 at midnight (London time). If it is possible for you to send all proposals in more than one official language and in an editable format, this would be greatly appreciated. Thanks for your help!

Please note that after the General Assembly, IFLRY will be running the seminar “Human Trafficking: I am not for sale” in Amsterdam from November the 16st to the 21st. A separate invitation with more details is enclosed and can also be accessed at our Documents Center.

All the important information related to the events will also be published on our website. If you then still have any questions, comments or suggestions after reading this invitation and the enclosed documents, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat in London or the respective Bureau member responsible for your region.


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Application Procedure

The following deadlines for applications apply:

Participants to the GA and/or the Seminar who require visa assistance: September 17th 2009

Participants to the GA who do not require visa assistance: October 1st 2009

Participants to the Seminar who do not require visa assistance: September 24th 2009

Applications for the General Assembly will be considered on a rolling basis, which means that you will not have to wait for the deadline until you get a confirmation of your participation.

All nominations have to state the participant's name. IFLRY will not accept blank nominations. If you have any preferences for roommates, please state it on the form.

You will find a nomination form enclosed to this invitation. Please fill in according to which event you wish to attend and return them to the IFLRY by email events@iflry.org or by fax +44.207.100.8159.

If your organization is not yet a member organization of IFLRY, but you want to attend, please send an e-mail to the IFLRY secretariat with a description of your organization, in addition to the nomination form. If you are an individual who would like to attend without the nomination of an organization, please send an e-mail to the IFLRY secretariat with a motivation letter, in addition to the nomination form.

Date & Venue:	November 12-14, 2009, The Hague (Netherlands)
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The arrival of participants is expected on November 12th and departure on the 15th. Seminar participants who also attend the GA will have to transfer to a different venue in the Netherlands (approx. 45 minutes by train).

For first-time attendants to an IFLRY statutory event, a special introductory session shall be held on Thursday November 12th between 3 and 4 PM.

The participants shall be accommodated in double room at the NH The Hague Hotel. The hotel is offering a special rate for those who would like to upgrade their room to a higher level of comfort. More information shall be provided after the confirmation of your participation.

The NH Hotel will also provide the venue for a part of the General Assembly.

Costs & Funding:	110 EUR GA only 60 EUR GA only (no accommodation) 130 EUR for Seminar & GA
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The member organisations are responsible for the payment of participation or cancellation fees of their delegates. This is to be paid prior to the event and by bank transfer, unless other arrangements are made with the office.

The participation fee for the GA will be 110 EUR. Cancellation for confirmed participants will be possible until October 9th while a cancellation fee of 50 EUR will be charged. For all the cancellations after that date the full



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participation fee will be charged in addition to the cancellation fee of 50 EUR. Cancellation fees will not be charged if the cancellation is due to a refusal of visa.

The participation fee includes accommodation from Thursday to Sunday, dinner on Thursday, all breakfast and all meals on Friday and Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday.

Representatives who do not require accommodation throughout the GA shall be charged the discounted fee of 60 EUR. This option is not available for seminar participants.

There is **NO travel refund** for the EC/GA. IFLRY does not have the possibility to cover travel costs for statutory events like the Executive Committee and the General Assembly. Those who need specific support letters for their fundraising efforts to cover the costs of participation can contact the IFLRY Office.

Visas:

If you require a visa, you must submit the proper information. It is your own responsibility to apply for a visa, the IFLRY office and our Dutch hosts will assist. IFLRY will provide you with an official invitation letter which covers the time frame of the event and that will be faxed to the embassy listed on your application. In case you need further assistance, please contact the office.

Please state all applicable information for your visa on the nomination form. Do note that visa letters will only be faxed, if all the above mentioned information and the fax number of the embassy are included. Please make sure that the private address given is the one stated in your passport (in case it includes an address).

Information about Dutch visas can be found on:

http://www.minbuza.nl/en/Services/Consular_Services/Visas/Stay_shorter_than_90_days

Notes:

17th of September - Application deadline for GA & Seminar if visa required

24th of September - Application deadline for Seminar if no visa required

1st of October - Application deadline for GA if no visa required

- Application deadline for Membership Status
- Deadline for amendments to statutes, rules of procedure or manifesto

15th of October - Nomination deadline for the Bureau

- Deadline for resolutions

29th of October - Reduced Membership Fee Application

12th of November - Urgency resolutions

12-13th of November – Nomination for the Auditors