As a subordinate body of the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers, the Advisory Council on Youth advises on all issues related to youth and contributes to the effective mainstreaming of youth policies in the Council of Europe programme of activities. It does this by formulating opinions and proposals on general or specific questions concerning youth in the Council of Europe. The Advisory Council also promotes the co-management system in decision-making processes at all levels as a good practice for youth participation, democracy and inclusion.

To ensure good governance, it is important to put emphasis on the diversity among the members of the Advisory Council, by representing the various Member Organisations, the knowledge they bring to the organisation but also in terms of skill-set and competencies to ensure that the members complement each other and come together to become a strong, strategic and effective Advisory Council.

For this reason we have divided the application form in two different sections: The first section is addressed to the individual candidate, to identify their general information and availability, as well as their experience and vision. The second section is for their nominating organisation, which shall present the added value that it wishes to bring to the Advisory Council through its representative, as well as its motivation to support their candidate during the mandate.

This means that no one candidate needs to have all the necessary elements, but by bringing together these 20 organisations, the Advisory Council as a whole would.

This form must be filled in and sent back (in pdf and doc format) to the European Youth Forum Secretariat (governance@youthforum.org), together with the nomination letter, by Monday 15 March (17:00 CET).

It will only be published on the Youth Forum website after the deadline for applications has passed, and will be accessible to Member Organisations and the general public.

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SECTION 1
To be completed by the individual candidate

A) Contact information

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B) Availability

Would you be able to prepare for and attend at least 4 meetings per year (on average 2-3 days each) on weekends or weekdays – and in addition be available to attend relevant meetings for the portfolio you will be assigned to (on average 6-7 per year), including the induction training organized by the Youth Department of the Council of Europe at the beginning of each two-year term of office?

YES – NO

Are you fluent in English?

YES – NO

Please insert below any other languages that you know:

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Are you available to travel extensively?

YES – NO

C) Motivation and experience

1. What is your main motivation to become a member of the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe? What would you like to contribute during this mandate?

(Maximum: 100 words)

2. Please present your knowledge and experience regarding any of the draft strategic priorities of the Youth Sector of the Council of Europe for 2022-2023¹. Note that candidates do not necessarily need to have knowledge and experience on all the draft priorities.

(Maximum: 100 words per priority)

Priority ‘Revitalising pluralistic democracy’

¹ Draft Strategic Priorities are to be adopted by the Committee of Ministers in November 2021 and are fully reflecting the four thematic priorities of the Council of Europe youth sector strategy 2030, https://www.coe.int/en/web/youth/youth-strategy-2030. See Annex II in the Call for Candidates.

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3. Being a member of the Advisory Council on Youth comes with great responsibilities. How will you ensure a great degree of commitment during the 2 years mandate, as a member of the Advisory Council on Youth representing the interests of the entire Youth Forum membership, alongside your other professional and personal commitments?

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4. Please specify if you hold any position\(^2\) that might constitute a conflict of interest with your role as member of the Advisory Council on Youth (this information will not be made public).

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\(^2\)Retaining your position in the organisation that nominated you for the AC does not constitute a conflict of interest. Examples of conflicts of interest are if you are currently working in a governmental body, be it a member state of the Council of Europe or not, or working in another structure of the Council of Europe.

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SECTION 2
To be completed by the nominating organisation

A) Contact information

CONTACT EMAIL
(will not be made public)

B) Motivation and experience

1. What is your organisation’s experience in working with the Council of Europe in general, and with its Youth Department in particular?
(Maximum: 100 words)

2. What are your organisation’s vision and priorities for the Advisory Council, and how do you foresee to contribute to its work?
(Maximum: 150 words)

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3. How will you provide support for your candidate if elected?

(Maximum: 50 words)