Rowan Fitton and Tom Jordan for Co-International Officers

The role of International Officer in the Young Liberals is varied, complex and challenging. However, it presents the chance to make a real impact and provide once-in-a-lifetime opportunities for our members. As Co-International Officers, we will seize this chance with both hands and work with passion and ambition. Sean and Kai's successful elections means that our organisation is well placed to influence the course of European and global youth politics over the next year, and we are the best candidates to capitalise on this opportunity.

In our plan to improve Engagement, Accessibility, and Sustainability we have focused on ensuring we make the most of the remaining months of this current term. Working with current members of the Young Liberals Executive, as well as the International Committee, to lay the groundwork for continued, and even greater success, over the next year.

Engagement

We will regularly promote existing international opportunities to Young Liberals as and when they arise. Including upcoming webinars and seminars, IFLRY/LYMEC events that Young Liberals can attend, and writing for the LIBERTAS and LIBEL magazines.

Work with the existing Policy Officer and Membership Development Officer to explore potential avenues for improved engagement on international policy and providing international-themed training in the future.

Conduct an International Member's Survey to better understand our membership's priorities and interests for Young Liberal's international work. To find out what the International Committee/Officers have done well in the past, and identify areas of improvement.

Accessibility

Create and host Pre-Congress Application Briefings that make the process of applying for international events hosted by LYMEC and IFLRY less daunting, encourage more people to apply, and inform potential delegates on what they can expect at their first Congress.

Use the International Member's Survey to identify what domestic and digital international-themed events Young Liberal members want, to ensure that participating in international politics doesn't always require a passport or a plane ticket.

Continue working to ensure that future Congresses are more financially accessible for all attendees.

Sustainability

Identify potential partnerships and new sources of funding in order to ensure that our International presence is financially sustainable. Taking the time to develop good working relationships with the Friedrich Naumann Foundation and the European Movement, and identify other organisations with which to establish links.

Alongside the Events Officer and Fundraising Officer, explore the possibility and logistics of hosting a fundraising event for the Young Liberals international work. An event such as this would allow us to communicate our successes within the wider party and develop lasting relationships with potential donors.