

International Association for Youth and Students for Peace – Europe and the Middle East



Meet the team



Bogdan Pammer (President), 33, studied Physics and Philosophy and teaches STEAM-related (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) subjects at high school in Linz, Austria. He is an avid advocate and experienced practitioner of service learning, education for personal development and relationships education, in both formal and non-formal settings. As university lecturer Bogdan teaches didactics of physics and develops educational resources in the STEAM context. He is the father of 3 children. Bogdan also serves together with his wife Yoshiko as vice president of FFWPU in Europe and the Middle East.



Jeonghye Hassinen (Vice President), 31, holds an MA in Theology from Sunhak UPA and a BA in Tourism and Japanese language studies from Sun Moon University in Korea. Since coming to Europe in 2015 she has been working with young people in Albania, the UK, Czech Republic, and Austria in particular. She was President of IAYSP EUME from 2018 to 2020 and thereafter Secretary General of the same organisation for a year. She is married and is expecting her first child by the end of 2021, while currently living in Vienna where she and her husband serve locally as assistant pastors.



Sandra Skrodzki (Secretary General), 22, studies International Business Economics at Corvinus University of Budapest and works as a Finance Associate at General Electric. She has been working with youth from a very young age and later became one of the founders of IAYSP Hungary. There she serves as the International Project Center Leader and has organized multiple events in cooperation with organizations such as the Association of Hungarian Women in Science. Passionate about music, she likes writing songs and singing together with others, especially in a choir or in duo with her husband.



Simran Rai (Communications Officer), 20, began volunteering for IAYSP in March 2020, when she halted her gap year travels due to COVID. She has since been working with IAYSP remotely from London, UK. She currently works at the Royal Institution of Sciences and will also soon join the Sustainable Projects and Climate Action department of her local council. She is planning on studying a combination of Environmental Sciences and History and Governance next year at university.



Victor Regnez (UPF Liaison Officer), 30, holds a master's degree in Physics (University of Paris-Saclay, France) and in Theology (Sunhak UPA, Korea). For 2 years, he was part of an international staff team organizing peace summits throughout the world. He returned to France in 2020. Since then, he has been working with IAYSP as well as the Universal Peace Federation (a sister organisation) to host webinars online. Victor now lives together with his wife near Paris.



Asif Ulfat (Director Middle East) is a digital marketer and peace activist. He has been active in the world of marketing for over 5 years, with experience in social media management, content creation, SEO, paid advertising and more. Asif has also worked extensively to promote peace across the globe through his work with nonprofits like the Universal Peace Federation and IAYSP.



Godwin Chionna (Director Europe South), 28, with an academic background in economics and management of governments and international organisations. He is currently working as a management consultant for medium and large sized organizations in Milan, Italy. In his private life, he loves football (having played and coached for several years now), reading and learning new languages.



Deborah Cali (Director Europe Central), 29, has been working with and supporting other young people locally in her home country (Italy) since she was a teenager. She completed a 3-year course with an international youth program (STF Europe) and then took the position of director of the said program for about 5 years (2015-2020). She is a mindfulness educator and has graduated as a certified transformational coach. She is passionate about supporting women in achieving their goals by implementing a harmonious and productive lifestyle.



Miguel Antonio (Director Europe West), 28, originally from Togo and lives in France. He studied administration and security of systems and networks and works for a telecommunication company in France. He is passionate about new information and communication technologies. He discovered his “social fiber” and is involved in various projects. He also serves as president of IAYSP France.



Elena Kalmatskaya (Director Europe East), 49, has graduated first as a chemical engineer and later as a psychologist from the Moscow State University of Psychology and Educational Science. Since 2005, Elena has been working with children, teenagers, and youth, facilitating seminars, training programs in different parts of Russia and other countries of Eastern Europe with a variety of NGOs. Since 2020, she has been leading IAYSP in Russia and coordinates chapters in Eastern Europe. She is passionate about self-development, looking for new methods and prospects of working with various youth and volunteer organizations, such as the CIS Youth Affairs Council.