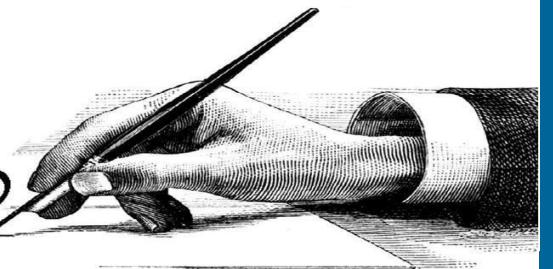


Dnevnik mladega liberalca



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Drage mame, hvala Vam!

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Svetovna organizacija mladih liberalcev IFLRY

Vidi zmožnosti - ne nezmožnosti!

Spomladis so zdravniki ugotovili, da ima Maša maligni tumor na malih možganih. Prestala je zahtevno operacijo in obsevanja, vse do septembra pa sledijo kemoterapije. Izčrpanost zaradi operacije in številnih obsevanj jo je priklenila na invalidski voziček in njeni dnevi minevajo v rehabilitacijskem centru Soča. Maša je deklica, polna energije in zelo močne volje. Ker z mamico Simono potrebuje moralno in materialno pomoč, ne oklevajmo niti za trenutek! Z zbiranjem zamaškov ji lahko pomagamo!

Lokalni odbor MLD Beltinci poziva ostale organizacije, da se pridružijo zbiranju!

21. marca (Svetovni dan boja proti rasni diskriminaciji) se je zaključil fotografski natečaj Dobrodošli v mestu raznolikosti. Na natečaj je prispelo 28 fotografij.

Strokovna komisija, v sestavi **Rajko Bizjak, prof.** (fotograf, visokošolski predavatelj za fotografijo in snemanje), **Marko Gorenc, prof.** (fotograf, profesor na Srednji šoli za oblikovanje in fotografijo), **Janez Marolt** (fotograf, arhitekt, spletni oblikovalec), **Anže Kacin** (študent fotografije) in **Alja Gabrijel** (strokovna sodelavka), po podrobнем

pregledu vseh prispelih izdelkov ni podelila nobene nagrade. Namen fotografskega natečaja je bila, kot končen izdelek, potupoča razstava, ki poziva k strpnosti. Žal pa je 15 kvalitetnih fotografij za potupočo razstavo premalo. Strokovna komisija se je odločila ponoviti fotografski natečaj. Vseh 28 fotografij pa se bo vključilo v naslednji izbor.

Andrej Kelenc (vodja projekta)



Interview with a young liberal — Alouis Rigaut

What were your expectations when you became LYMEC president? Were your expectations fulfilled?

The situation I inherited as president in May 2008 was particularly critical, with an organisation close to bankruptcy at only one year from the European Parliament elections (June 2009). My main priority was therefore naturally to redress the situation from a financial and organisational point of view. From that perspective, I shall say that my expectations were fulfilled, thanks to the quality of my bureau team and to the invaluable support from our partners. It took us almost two years to bring back finances to a floating position but we did it.

My other aims related to making an impact at the EP elections of June 2009, increasing the visibility of LYMEC towards our member organisations, and completing the geographical enlargement of the organisation. I was happy in this respect of the active role played by both LYMEC and the ELDR Party in the EP elections campaign, with an excellent result for liberals: we maintained our number of 75 MEPs despite a decrease in the total number of MEPs, which means that we actually increased our share in the EP. We also launched at this occasion three campaigns that we are now successfully rolling out: "*Free trade is fair trade – no to protectionism*", "*Today's priorities? Don't ask the EU budget*" and "*The EU is not my big brother*". In the meantime, we have also managed to raise LYMEC at the same level as the youths of the European People's Party (YEPP) and Party of European Socialists (ECOSY). The "*grand grand coalition*" formed between the EPP, ELDR and PES parties was certainly not something that I was expecting and that we had wished, but through this EP elections campaign LYMEC has definitely shown that it is an essential force to be counted in at the political youth level and our political influence is today greater than ever.

On the issue of getting LYMEC more visible and closer to its members we were constrained by the financial difficulties that I have explained and this will therefore be a task left to a large extent to the next bureau. However, we did manage to expand LYMEC geographically to Ukraine and the Caucasus, and to establish a solid basis in a number of other countries.



What is LYMEC today compared to decades ago?

Oh, LYMEC in the 1980s was a small group of Europeans meeting in the margins of IFLRY (International Federation of Liberal Youth) events! This has started to change at the beginning of the 1990s, when LYMEC started to grow and take its independence.

When I went to my first LYMEC event in 1998 (more than a decade ago!), LYMEC had just created in 1997 its individual membership section (IMS), and two years later, in 2000, it changed its statutes to accept organisations from non-EU countries as full members: two radical changes that dramatically influenced LYMEC over the coming years. Later, it also changed its name to its current "European Liberal Youth" name, whilst keeping its acronym.

But the most radical change occurred in 2004, when the ELDR Party became a fully-fledged European political party. LYMEC, as its youth organisation, moved out from the European Parliament to a new office together with the ELDR Party, started to employ its own staff, became a legal entity, and quadrupled its budget in about 4 years through efficient fundraising. The statutory change that occurred in 2005-2006, with a restructuring of the LYMEC bureau and a new division of tasks between the LYMEC bureau and staff, only accompanied this metamorphosis.

The interesting question is what LYMEC will become in a decade or two from now!

Interview z mladim liberalcem — Alouis Rigaut

If you turn back and look at your past two years as LYMEC president, is there anything you'd like to change?

Difficult question... We did the best we could in the difficult circumstances that we had.

My only regret maybe is to have been so constrained financially during these past two years. We had to postpone or cancel so many projects (new website, some seminars, etc.), it was really frustrating. The result was also that we had to focus a bit too much on organisational issues sometimes, at the detriment of some political priorities. Also, such difficulties do not help to motivate bureau members, whatever the greatness of the team. I would have preferred being elected president in a different context, but well, that's how it is...

How will LYMEC developed in the future (your assessment)?

The main challenge at the beginning of the past decade (2000s) was to enlarge LYMEC to non-EU countries and we are now only closing that chapter. Since 2004-2005, we have started another transformation process: changing LYMEC's mentality from a federation of national member organisations into the youth organisation of a European political party, i.e. getting more political. This process is still ongoing and may be helped by the recent statutory change proposals to be voted at our next congress and which relate notably to strengthening LYMEC individual membership. But I would say that the next challenge in the 5-10 years to come will be to reach out the individual members of our member organisations and to better connect/involve our own individual members, notably and most importantly through the use of new technologies (online social media: Facebook, twitter, YouTube...).

You are known to us as hard-working person. What are your plans for the future?

Oh yes, don't worry, I will find new challenges very quickly! I am certainly not the type of person that likes to stay all the time doing nothing in his sofa and watching TV.

First and foremost, my priority will however be to take a break and restructure my personal life. LYMEC has taken



a lot of my time and energy over the last years, and this has been at the detriment of many things that I enjoy too like passing time with friends, reading and writing. You know, I am doing politics for the ideas, not by professional interest, as I have the luck not to depend on politics for my living. So what I really want now is to step back and find a new political inspiration and impetus for the years to come, something that I did not have the time to do since a very long time. These last years have been too action-oriented, I felt like a machine, I really miss having time again to read, think and design new ideas.

But after this well deserved break, don't worry I'll be back with full strength. Naturally I plan to get active in the international team of my mother party in Belgium, Mouvement Réformateur (MR), which also means that I should stay around through ELDR politics. However, above all, it is high time that I get back to local politics, in Brussels city where I live. I was too much absent these last years because of travels, but soon I'll have time and full energy again. European and local politics have always been the two things that I enjoy most in politics, but they are somewhat difficult to combine when you have high European responsibilities. It is sad that days have only 24 hours and weeks only 7 days... No matter what, I'll anyway surely enjoy passing back at LYMEC events again if and when there is an occasion. It's impossible to leave like that after 12 years of activism!

Good Luck Alouis!

Dragе mame!

*Vsaka izmed vas je posebna
in zato je naš vsakdan lepši.*

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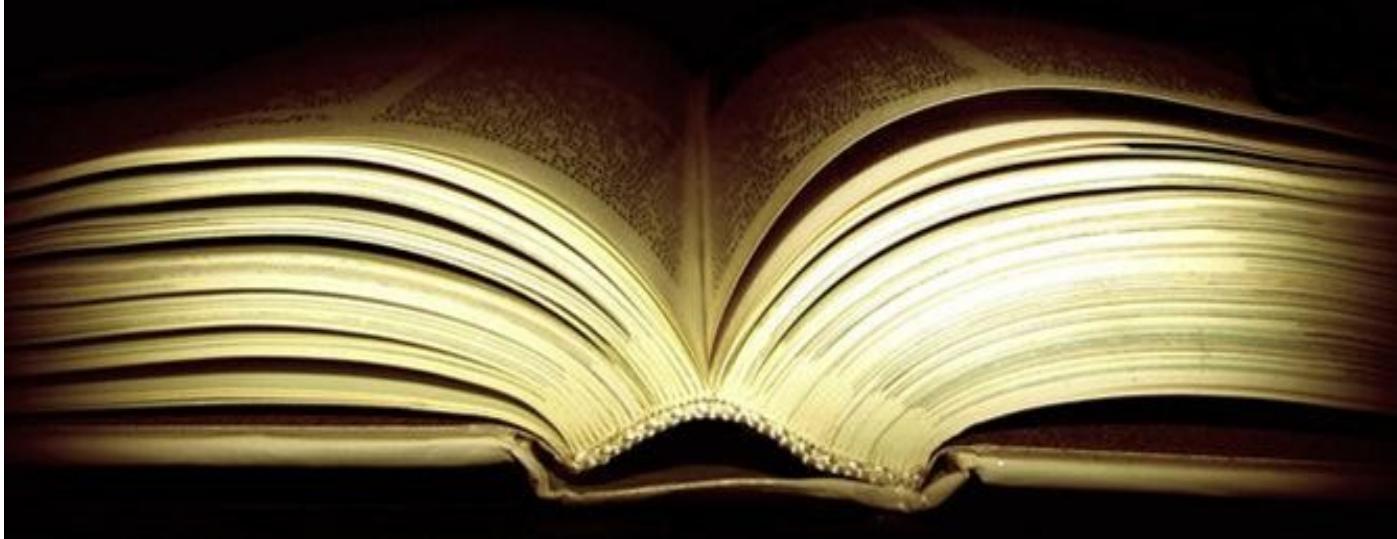
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Zavedati se moramo namreč, da potrebe po slovenski literaturi presegajo meje Republike Slovenije!



30. aprila vabimo vse člane, simpatizerje in prijatelje Mlade liberalne demokracije, da se nam pridružijo na Prvomajanju.

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Se vidimo!

I f l r y



IFLRY (International Federation of Liberal Youth) je mednarodna federacija liberalnih in radikalnih organizacij. Je osnova za sodelovanje med liberalno in radikalno mladino ter študentskimi organizacijami po svetu.

IFLRY politika temelji na prepričanju univerzalnosti človekovih pravic. Kot liberalci in radikalci stremi k svobodni in razumevajoči družbi, brez kakršnekoli diskriminacije, z enakimi možnostmi, s spoštovanjem posameznika ter manjšin. Ti cilji se dosegajo ob demokratičnih sistemih vladanja. IFLRY podpira tržno gospodarstvo z pravično prerazporeditvijo bogastva.

IFLRY je polnopravna članica Liberal International (LI), prav tako sodeluje tudi z liberalno skupino v parlamentarni skupščini Sveta Evrope. Je aktivna članica evropskega mladinskega foruma (European Youth Forum). IFLRY ima status posvetovalnega organa v sekciji nevladnih organizacij v Svetu Evrope, UNESCO ter ECOSOC. Prav tako je aktivna v Youth Forumu v sklopu Združenih narodov.

Predhodnica IFLRY je bila ustanovljena 26. Avgusta 1947 v Cambridgeu, Anglija in je leta 2007 praznovala že svoj 60. rojstni dan od ustanovitve.

Mlada liberalna demokracija je bila kot člani IFLRY bila vedno aktivna v vseh vzvodih te organizacije. V mandatu 2009-2011 bomo poskrbeli, da bomo svoja videnja in znanje še bolje predstavili mednarodnim organizacijam predvsem s sodelovanjem in organiziranjem dogodkov povezanih z IFLRY.

Nuša Anna Hrustek,
mednarodna sekretarka MLD





zavsedružine

Sovraštvo ni naključje — Ukrepajno zdaj

Pri kampanji Za vse družine! pričakujemo sprejem Družinskega zakonika v prvem branju, saj gre uresničitev temeljnih civilizacijskih vrednot, ki smo se jim zavezali tudi v slovenski Ustavi. Ta v 14. členu pravi: »V Sloveniji so vsakomur zagotovljene enake človekove pravice in temeljne svoboščine, ne glede na narodnost, raso, spol, jezik, vero, politično ali drugo prepričanje, gmotno stanje, rojstvo, izobrazbo, družbeni položaj ali katerokoli drugo osebno okoliščino. Vsi so pred zakonom enaki.«

Sprejem Družinskega zakonika je korak naprej pri pluralizaciji in demokratizaciji Slovenije. Nov Družinski zakonik omogoča kvalitativni dvig demokratičnih standardov pri nas, ker prekinja dolgoletno tradicijo sistemskih diskriminacij otrok v istospolnih družinah in istospolnih parov. Ko bo Družinski zakonik sprejet, bo država končno omogočila celostno zaščito in varstvo vseh otrok, ne glede na tip družine, v kateri odraščajo. Vsi starši, ne glede na njihovo spolno usmerjnost in ne glede na to ali so biološki ali socialni, bodo končno za varstvo in skrb svojih otrok imeli zakonske pravice in dolžnosti. Poleg tega bodo istospolni pari lahko sklenili zakonsko zvezo in živelji v zunajzakonski skupnosti in bodo deležni vseh socialnih in ostalih temeljnih človekovih pravic, ki jim pripadajo, kot življenjski skupnosti, in ki jim jih sedanji Zakon o registraciji istospolne partnerske skupnosti odreka.

Nov Družinski zakonik sledi odločbi Ustavnega sodišča, ki je soglasno odločilo, da je 22. člen ZRIPS, ki ureja dedovanje, v neskladju z ustavo. Skupaj z uveljavljanjem enakosti pred zakonom pa Družinski zakonik zakonodajo smiselnno prilagaja dejanskemu stanju na področju družinskih razmerij.

Nov Družinski zakonik bo tako na zakonodajni kot tudi na ravni družbenih in medosebnih odnosov zagotovil in pospešil procese odpravljanja diskriminacije in izključevanja. Samo v solidarni družbi, v družbi spoštovanja sebe, drugih in temeljnih človekovih pravic, lahko posameznice in posamezniki razvijemo in uresničimo svoje potenciale ter s tem prispevajo k splošnemu družbenemu razvoju.

Pri kampanji »Za vse družine! Za pravice vseh otrok. Za človekove pravice.« pozorno spremljamo in analiziramo prvo obravnavo Družinskega zakonika. Kampanja že mesec, gradi na podpori Družinskemu zakoniku na osnovi dejstev, informacij, znanstvenega diskurza, stroke in demokratične, spoštljive razprave. Zavestno smo se odločili, da danes ne pridemo ne pred, ne v parlament, ker nočemo biti del spektakla, ki so ga pripravili nasprotniki Družinskega zakonika. Po našem prepričanju gre za razpravo o izjemno resni in občutljivi tematiki, ne pa za navijaški dogodek. Poslanke in poslanci namreč odločajo o naših življenjih. Odločajo o življenjih naših otrok. Nas je pa veliko volilk in volilcev, ki razpravo spremljamo z distance, v miru in v razmisleku pripravljamo nove izraze podpore podpore Družinskega zakonika. Naša pričakovanja so visoka, prepričani smo namreč, da je po več kot 17 letih boja za enakost pred zakonom čas, da Slovenija naredi odločilen korak v smeri civilizacijskih vrednot, ki smo jim prisegli.

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