YSF Newsletter - November 2021

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1. Message from YSF's Spokesperson

Dear ESB members,

During the beginning of the next year, six applicants will be elected to the **six open positions available within the ESB-Young Scientists Forum (YSF) board**.

It is a pleasure to announce that the call for application is now open, and its **deadline** is set on the **31ˢᵗ December 2021**. Eligible as candidates are all Young Scientists, not older than 36 years of age at the time of the call for application deadline. In addition, candidates must be members of the ESB in good standing

and comply with YSF rules.

Upon application, candidates will be announced on the ESB website and members will be advised and invited to vote using the **e-voting system**. The open positions are the following ones:

- YSF Spokesperson
- YSF Secretary
- YSF National Chapter Liaison Officer
- YSF Industrial Liaison Officer
- YSF Educational Officer
- YSF Communication and Dissemination Officer

Thank you for your active participation on YSF.

Best regards,
Elena Varoni
(on behalf of the YSF board)

2. YSF call for elections

Six open positions will be available within the ESB-YSF Executive board, in the next year.
The call for applications is now open and the deadline is the 31st December 2021.

Eligible as candidates are all Young Scientists, not older than 36 years of age at the closing of the call for application (31st December 2021, at midnight CET). In addition, candidates must be members of the ESB in good standing and comply with YSF rules:

- **Duration of board membership: all board members will be elected for a period of 4 years.**
- **Board members can be re-elected one time for another 4 years for the same or another board function.**

The candidates must send the application form-CV (according to the template available at http://esbiomaterials.eu/Cms/Content/24) to the YSF official email (ysf@esbiomaterials.eu) and, in cc, to our Secretary and Communication officer (dbarata@gmail.com ; teixeiraliliana@msn.com), by the deadline (31st December 2021, at midnight CET).

The **application form-CV includes the candidate details along with the short Curriculum Vitae**, according to the template available at http://esbiomaterials.eu/Cms/Content/24. The application form-CV should not exceed two A4 pages and should include a photo of the candidate.

Upon application, **candidates will be announced on the ESB website** and members will be invited to vote using the e-voting system. **The e-voting procedure will be then opened from January 14th 2022 up to March 4th 2022.**

Elected new members of the YSF board are expected to be announced in late March 2022 by YSF Newsletter and social media.

3. YSF poll results

During the last ESB-YSF General Assembly, held during the 31st ESB Conference, a poll was announced to collect feedback among the YSF members about a specific point of the YSF election guidelines, namely on the subject of the duration of the mandates for the YSF Board members. The poll was launched on the 5th October, with a YSF newsletter sent to all the ESB members and stayed open until the 19th October 2021.
The poll contained the following two options:

- Keep the current limit: only mandates of 4 years, age limit at the closing application date of 36 years old.
- Modify the current limit: mandates of 2 or 3 years possible, therefore the age limit at the closing application date could be 38 or 37 years old.

In total, 28 YSF members participated to the poll and the results showed 50% preferences for each option.

As reported in the previous Newsletter, the poll is considered valid if 60% of the ESB-YSF-members, reached by the newsletter sent last 5th October 2021, expressed their preference. This minimum number has not been reached and, therefore, the results of the poll is not valid.

Consequently, the current duration and age limits will be maintained.

We greatly appreciated the input of the ESB-YSF members voting and expressing their preference.