

## Dear Network,

I joined ESN and my current section ESN IPAS Landau in April 2016 after being a mentor for international students. Three months later I went to my first event of ESN Germany, which was (back then) the national event ESNters. It was my first impression of the network and it's members and I came back super happy, amazed and motivated. At the next elections I was elected as section President, which I stayed for almost three years.

At the LP Frankfurt 2018 I was also elected Southwest Regional Coordinator and in November 2019 I got re-elected for a second mandate. As Coordinator I did a lot of networking, stayed in contact with the boards of the sections and attended several events in our region to see their work. I also focussed on sections which were not so active and tried to get them into the network again. Besides networking and activation of sections I tried to build up the position more seriously and work with the National Board, take care of the sections, coordinate events and facilitate the communication.

After three years in the local board and two years on the regional level I feel ready to do the next step - which is for me applying as Vice President of ESN Germany. I've always enjoyed the work as Regional Coordinator, the networking and section care and with this experience I feel confident that I'm able to fulfil the specific tasks of the Vice President as well as the general board tasks.

The past year has been a difficult one for ESN, a lot of events have been cancelled, sections were struggling to find new members or even keep their "oldies" motivated. I've experienced the same struggle myself, but after a break I found my motivation again – by thinking about all the good times I had with the network and with the help of my ESN friends.

As Vice President I would like to give something back and help others if they are struggling with their motivation. My focus would be the section care, helping them to stay in contact and motivate their members, and in the end to keep our network together. I hope you give me the chance to do so and I'm looking forward to meeting you – online or one day in the future again in person!

Yours sincerely,

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