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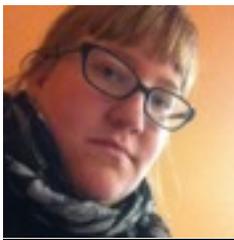
Vice Chair



Rachel Power, SCM Ireland (affiliated SCM), Irish, age: 27, Roman Catholic

Hi I'm Rachel from SCM Ireland. I am 27. I have studied Theology and Philosophy in my undergrad at Carlow College and I have also studied Intercultural Theology and Interreligious Studies in my masters that I undertook in Trinity College Dublin. I have a huge interest in both ecumenical studies and Interreligious dialogue. I came into contact with WSCF in 2012 at a conference that took place in Co. Tipperary. That was my first ever conference. I then became a director to SCMIRELAND shortly after. On from there my next dealing in WSCF was when I was on prep com for a conference that took place in Wroclaw in Poland. I really enjoyed this as it gave me a great insight to a conference I also found this conference to be of huge interest to me. At the end of February 2015 I was the SCMI representative to travel to Bogota for the WSCF GA. I really enjoyed my time there as I met so many SCMerS from all over the world. This also heightened my interest in ecumenical dialogue as there was so much passion showed by so many of us towards WSCF and the incredible work we are involved in to keep it alive and make it even stronger. It gave me even more passion to be involved with WSCF so this heightened my decision to apply for vice chair of the ERC. I am sincerely passionate about SCM's and WSCF on both a regional and global level. To see so many young people come together and stand up for what we really believe in is inspirational. As the saying goes "Many hands make light work" this also applies to WSCF. I very much want to be apart of this and see WSCFE grow and continue to do this incredible work. Always remember "We Are Many We Are One Sent Out To Build God's Peace"

Treasurer



Clare Wilkins, SCM Great Britain (affiliated SCM), British, age: 25 , Anglican, Study and occupation: HR Programme Manager

have been involved in SCM on a national level since 2010 but have begun to be drawn to supporting WSCF's global work through attending international events including the General Assembly in 2015. Being a part of an SCM has changed my life and helped me to rediscover my faith as a living, breathing, 21st Century thing. Why wouldn't I want to support others? I have seen how important the support of WSCF is for the continuing work of many SCMs.

My motivation for the treasurer position in particular is that I studied physics at university and have a good head for figures. I have recently been involved in drawing up a new investment and reserves policy for SCM Britain, and can understand a budget with lots of constraints on it.

Global Links Coordinator



Krista Autio, SCM Finland, SKY (affiliated SCM), Finish, age: 29, Lutheran, Occupation/study: . MA Theology student at Helsinki University

I'm applying to this new role, because I have the passion to learn more about our global Federation, each of its Regions and the work they do. Our SCMs all around the world have small grass root projects, cooperation with SCMs near them, inter-regional projects and a lot of partners with them working for justice and peace. They do team building, training young ecumenical leaders, facilitating, development projects and community projects. We need to hear and learn more about all these activities, get inspiration and also combine our resources to achieve fruitful cooperation and mutual learning, giving also the opportunity for young ecumenical people to learn and grow as global active Christian leaders both at their national and international level. For my personal growth, this role would give a lot. My dream is to work at international NGO level and I think, that understanding and learning about this field from bottom to up is crucial. I got the spark for this post before the GA, when I travelled to Bogota in August 2014. On my first time in Colombia, I got to know to wonderful people from five different Regions of WSCF. We taught to each other what our SCMs do, what are our SCM's national and regional context, challenges and strengths. This learning was inspirational and increased my understanding of the Federation, the world and Christians place in it. At the GA in March, I got to know to other Regions of WSCF more broadly. We all seemed to have a common goal; to keep this Federation active and vibrant. Helping each other we have the possibility to achieve this. The nature of the Federation is global and there lies its future too. I am curious about all the work the SCMs and Regions do, and I want to spread this information I get to all our members in Europe. Many of the challenges our SCMs face are the same everywhere in the world. There are also more severe challenges that rises from the context of our SCMs. Along with cooperation, our SCMs needs also our prayers and solidarity with the troubles they face. I am excited to grow to this role, to reach out and spread the word. Yours sincerely, Krista Autio

Capacity Building Coordinator



Armine Babajanyan, SCM St Trinity Youth Organization, Armenia (contact movement), Armenian, Age: 26, Occupation: HR specialist, Christian Orthodox

I am writing to apply for the position of Capacity Building Coordinator with WSCF Europe. Capacity building focuses on understanding the obstacles that inhibit people, governments, international organizations and non-governmental organizations from realizing their development goals, but also enhancing the abilities that will allow them to achieve measurable and sustainable results. This scope is the main stream, which enables an organization, like WSCF, to overcome the difficulties and create a good ground for new opportunities in the future. I truly believe that this is essential in development of an organization, thus I would like to serve for this cause. WSCF is especially dear to me, as I share its mission and goals. Love towards God unites everyone, and love can be the only criteria for sustainable future. I have participated in a number of conferences within WSCF and learnt to love this community, which resembles to an international family. Being somehow related to this community, I know would like to become a member of it and to contribute to its development. My qualifications and work experience can help me to be successful on the position. In particular, I have a Master degree in Business administration, as well as a Master degree in Conflict Resolution. I am currently working at Orange Armenia, an international operator, as HR specialist. Thank you for your consideration.

Thematic Coordinator



Pawel Cecha, SCM Poland (affiliated movement), age: 26 , Orthodox

I graduated from the Orthodox Seminary in Warsaw and University of Fribourg where I finished Faculty of Theology on specialization – Orthodoxy and interchristian studies. I'm interested in the modern ecumenical movement, a Christian bioethics and medias. My interest in the ecumenical movement and theology appeared from associating with people of different faiths and searching the common elements between us. I worked for many years as a volunteer in the Fellowship of Orthodox Youth in Poland. I organized a youth summer camps. Currently I am a

orthodox priest in one of the parishes in Bruxelles and teacher in Belgian schools. I am also working as a volunteer in the editorial of the largest Polish Orthodox website (www.Cerkiew.pl), which informs my Church believers and believers of different religions of the news of Polish Orthodox Church, where am I a fanpage coordinator. Being a scholar in Switzerland, I build new relationships and bonds with people of different faiths. I hope that one day we will work together to global ecumenism. My work has been recognized by the WCC Communications Team, which chose me as their member of the Assembly in Busan. During my studies in Switzerland I was supporting WCC Communications working with them in website editorial. I have also professional work experience in commercial company. I was a document controller in Belgium architectural firm, where after a one year of intensive work I decided to go back to theology. I was also working in big French company as office manager. I grew up in the Polish region in which lives next to each other Orthodox Christians, Catholics, Muslims and Jews. There was no debates on theology. Nor was there any quarrels. People looked at each other through the prism of what is a man who, not according to what and how to believe. We celebrated feasts together. We all lived in happiness and harmony. Thanks to the lessons acquired from my childhood, I am acting in the same way now. the lessons learned from childhood, doing the same now. As a member of the minor Church in my country I understand the importance of dialogue, especially between young Christians. I would like to confront with others my thoughts, share experiences and working together with the others giving at the same time a chance to learn something new.

Regional Links Coordinator



Jurgita Kozeniauskaite, SCM Lithuania (affiliated SCM), Lithuanian, age:24, living in Romania, Lutheran, Occupation: volunteer in YMCA Baia Mare

Originally I'm from Lithuania, but at this moment I'm living and volunteering in Romania. And I would like to continue my international experience with WSCF and ERC. I'm 24 years old and I have finished Bachelor in Biochemistry. I'm still creating myself and looking which way to choose next. I like to work with youth, children and to be a part of work with organizations. I want to specialize my profession on animal welfare. My hobbies: dancing salsa, latin music, theater, hiking, nature, traveling, meeting new people. I found a bunch of good opportunities in Regional Links Coordinator position. For example, to organize Staff and Officer meeting. I see here a chance to try myself, my organizing skills and develop as person. Also, here could be for me a good possibility to improve my English and my communication skills. People say that I'm responsible, quite organized, reliable, that I'm creative, I have analytical and critical thinking which is not very strong and I want to improve them. I want to bring my ideas to WSCF-E, too. Now I don't have a lot of knowledges about organization from inside, but I'm ready to learn and learn a lot!

Co-opted member (available only for members with status contact movements)



Pavlina Manavska, Youth of United Methodist Church Macedonia (contact movement), Age: 25, Macedonian/Germany, German studies, Teacher, Methodist.

Hi, my name is Pavlina and I come from Macedonia. I finished my studies in Skopje, Macedonia, where I stayed for two more years teaching in a private school. At the moment I am working at a Social Pedagogical Institution in Cologne. I am an active member and volunteer in the United Methodist Church in Macedonia.

My first contact with WSCF-E was 2011 conference in Finland, Living in a world of technology. That was my first time to come together with young people from different Christian denominations. I learned so much about WSCF as an organization. At the next conference and the capacity building trainings I took part of, made me realize that I want to get more involved. Even though there is no SCM in Macedonia, the very supporting staff of WSCF-E encouraged me into being a host person and organizing a Staff and Officers Meeting that took place in Skopje 2014.

I personally support and share the vision of WSCF for living our faith united; learning about other cultures and denominations is the best way of getting to know yours.

If I could describe why I am applying for this position at WSCF-E it would be inspiration. The trainings, conferences and meetings, the contacts with the WSCF people, my lifelong friends, inspire me to reflect and create new ideas to make a difference and be the encouragement for someone else.

Fundraising Coordinator

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Executive Committee member (male)

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