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ELECTIONS FOR A YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE IN THE COUNCIL OF EUROPARC FEDERATION

Motivation letter

Last name/ Surname : First name :

*What are your motives for applying to this position? What are your experiences so far?
How do you wish to contribute to the work of the EUROPARC Council?*

(max. 2500 characters with spaces)

My name is Leonardo Cerno, I live in Friuli Venezia Giulia, an Italian region in the North-East of Italy, at the border with Slovenia and Austria. I'm 21 and I'm a student at the University of Udine, attending the class of Environmental Science. I live in Lusevera, a small village in the mountains near the southern border of the Julian Prealps Natural Park. Since I was a kid, thanks to my parents and the people I grew up with, I developed a passion for nature and its protection. I had my first contact with the park when I was 13, receiving my letter that gave me the opportunity to join the first generation of Junior Rangers of the Julian Prealps Natural Park. It was 2007 and in that summer I joined my first JR camp, knew Europarc and got into this project. Later, in 2012 I joined my first international JR camp, specifically the first transboundary JR camp, that took place between the Triglav National Park and my park; I was fascinated by the diffusion of the project and by its favour around Europe. In 2013 I had the greatest opportunity given to me from Europarc: the possibility to join the first Youth Conference in Debrecen, Hungary. This experience was highly constitutive for me, because we had the occasion to compare ourselves with the adult members of Europarc, and it was fantastic. But the best thing in the conference was that we could talk to all the delegates of the federation with our little performance during the last night. I am applying for this position with great will and passion, I hope I can do something real and valuable for all the protected areas of Italy and Europe.



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Signature of the candidate

Place and date LUSEVERA 4.IV.16

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Signature of a representative of the EUROPARC member supporting this candidate and stamp of the organisation

Place and date RESIA (UD), 04.04.2016



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