CANDIDATE FOR THE POST OF VICE-CHAIR OF THE EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

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Presentation

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Year participatory status was granted to the INGO:	**Pre 1993**

Motivation

It is my pleasure to address you my candidacy to the post of Vice-Chair of the Education and Culture Committee.

Born in the Dominican Republic and partially lived in the USA during my childhood, I consider myself a world citizen. In 2013 I came to France with AFS Intercultural Programs, and this year I will have an International Economics bachelor. Since the age of 13, I participate in United Nations conferences to debate on global issues. I opted to defend Education and Youth Rights in Europe through the European Federation for Intercultural Learning (EFIL).

This latter, has put its trust in me by nominating me to this position thanks to: my engagement in education advocacy, my intercultural and academic background and also my experience at the Council of Europe as an intern at the Education and Training Division of the Council. I look forward to an inclusive society and youth access to rights.

Having this in mind as well as the youth guidelines of the Conference, I wish to serve you with a constant willingness for dialogue and consultation to:

• Assure the continuity of former mandate works through the implementation of the vade-mecum, document that the committee has put a great effort to;

• Enhance the work done by national and European INGOs that promote "better living together";

• Mobilise all the stakeholders in our reflections and actions to guarantee our work success;

• Strengthen the dialogue and partnership with all Council of Europe bodies by developing concrete projects and synergies capable of generating strong citizen participation.

Candidacy video: https://youtu.be/GoqM3AQ9wKk