



## Proposal of TWG-5 for the organization of a yEES! 2022 Competition

### What Is the yEES! Competition?

The yEES! Competition was developed in 2018 by the EES Thematic Working Group for Young and Emerging Evaluators ([TWG-5](#)), in order to support the participation of young evaluation students or professionals who cannot afford to come to the EES conference, or never had a chance to attend an evaluation conference.

The yEES! Competition aims at offering an opportunity to Young and Emerging Evaluators (yEES) that have connection to Europe to attend the 14th EES biennial conference in Copenhagen from 7-10 June 2022.

### Awarded package:

- Conference fee (June 8-10)
- Dedicated PDW for yEES (June 7)
- EES Membership
- Stipend to support travel/accommodation costs

As part of this competition, selected yEES will be expected to volunteer for part of the conference.

### What are the eligibility criteria for application?

**Career advancement criteria:** this call for application is open to yEES as per EvalPartners/EvalYouth definition.<sup>1</sup>

**Regional diversity throughout Europe:** the call for application would be open to all nationalities (European and non-European), provided that they have demonstrated connection to the European continent<sup>2</sup> (residing, working or studying).

**Language criteria:** Fluent in English.

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<sup>1</sup> *Evaluators under the age of 35 years, AND/OR evaluators who have less than 5 years of professional experience, AND/OR recent university graduates who are interested in joining the evaluation profession, AND/OR international development/public policy professionals wishing to become professional evaluators.*

<sup>2</sup> *List of eligible countries: Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lichtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, Ukraine, Vatican.*



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### Selection Criteria:

**Motivation criteria:** demonstrated knowledge and interest in evaluation and EES/yEES activities as per the submitted application from.

**Preferential criteria:** Preference will be given to active yEES involved in the EES TWG 5, EES September 2021 Conference and EvalYouth Taskforces.

**Equity criteria:** gender and regional diversity.

### How to apply for the yEES! 2022 competition?

If you qualify for the eligibility criteria, we invite you to submit:

1. The yEES! 2022 Competition **application form**, duly completed (the form can be found on the last two pages of this document).
2. Examples of **contributions to the activities of the EES TWG-5 generally, and/or the September 2021 EES Conference** (maximum 200 words).
3. Proposals of how you would like to volunteer at the June 2022 Conference. This can include: i) hall assistant; ii) social media coverage of the 14<sup>th</sup> EES conference (video interviews for the EES YouTube channel, live tweets, blog posts, etc.); iii) organization of the conference networking activities; and iv) organization of the special session dedicated to evaluation/research presentations of yEES, and/or v) other ideas!
4. Your **CV** (maximum 2 pages).

### What is the selection process?

- ❖ **March 24, 2022:** call for applications is open
- ❖ **April 3, 2022 (23:59, CET):** deadline to apply (applications received after this deadline will not be considered for selection)
- ❖ **April 4 – April 11:** all applications will be reviewed by a selection committee composed of Alena Lappo, Taruna Gupta and Lauren Weiss and scored as follows:
  - Quality of the application form (*up to 5 points*)
  - Relevance of their previous contributions to the EES TWG-5 (*up to 5 points*)
  - Relevance of the proposal(s) for volunteering at the June Conference (*up to 5 points*)

Applications will be scored based on this pre-defined methodology and a maximum of **5 participants** with highest scores will be selected.

- ❖ **April 15, 2022:** results of the competition will be announced.



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### Why should you participate?

- **You will contribute to the discussions and to the development of new fresh ideas and thoughts that will benefit the Evaluation Community:** During the conference you will attend various sessions, workshops, group discussions. This will provide you with a great platform to further develop and discuss your ideas within a constructive and safe space.
- **You will ensure a vivid representation of Young and Emerging Evaluators at the conference:** This initiative will make the EES Conference a more inclusive event: younger people who have merit but can't afford to come will participate.
- **You will help us promote the empowerment of Young and Emerging Evaluators:** the experience of attending a conference, presenting and networking will be a unique learning opportunity for you.
- **You will help us trigger a dynamic event, which will benefit the 14th EES Conference participant:** Our experience shows that involving Young and Emerging Evaluators always brings more dynamism! We hope the competition for new ideas and the engagement of younger people will prompt innovative thinking.
- **You will contribute to the sustainability of the EES TWG-5 :** You will have the opportunity to get further involved in the governance of the EES TWG-5 and in the management of its ongoing and future projects.



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## yEES! Competition Application Form

Please share the completed form below and attachments with  
[alena.lappo@gmail.com](mailto:alena.lappo@gmail.com).

1. Last Name
2. First name
3. Contact email address
4. What is your age?
5. What is your nationality?
6. What is your current country of residence?
7. What is your connection to Europe? (nationality, residency, studies, etc.)?
8. How many years of experience do you have in the field of evaluation?
9. Have you ever attended an evaluation conference in the past? If yes, which one(s)?
10. If you are a student, what is your main field of study?
11. If you are a professional, in which type of organization do you currently work?  
Your organization is:
  - a. A national public administration (ministries, agencies...)
  - b. A local public administration (regions, departments, cities...)
  - c. A private company (consulting firms, etc.)
  - d. A university or research organisation
  - e. An association or NGO
  - f. A development bank
  - g. A supranational or Community institution
  - h. Other:
12. Is evaluation your main field of study or work? (The answer to this question is not taken into account in the selection of applications).
  - a. Yes, absolutely
  - b. For the most part, but I also work on other subjects
  - c. No, evaluation is a small part of my job...
  - d. Other:



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13. Please provide examples of **contributions to the activities of the EES TWG-5 generally, and/or the September 2021 EES Conference** (maximum 200 words).
14. Please provide a proposal of how you would like to volunteer at the June 2022 Conference. This can include:
  - a. hall assistant
  - b. social media coverage of the 14<sup>th</sup> EES conference (video interviews for the EES YouTube channel, live tweets, blog posts, etc.)
  - c. organization of the conference networking activities
  - d. organization of the special session dedicated to evaluation/research presentations of yEES
  - e. other ideas!
15. Please attach a 2-paged CV