



IFSW Europe Executive Committee Elections 2024

Dear members of the Delegate meeting,

I am expressing my interest to apply for the Executive Committee Member position at the International Federation of Social Workers - Europe Region. My motivation to apply comes not only from my own experience working with social issues as a social worker and researcher, but also from my positive experience working as vice president of the General Council of Social Work (Spain) and president of the Official College of Social Work of Jaén.

I hold a bachelor's degree in Social Work and PhD in Social Sciences from the University of Jaén. During my studies, I have demonstrated leadership skills and high academic achievements. My thesis, supported by an OTRI contract with the Institute for Prospective Technological Studies and European Commission, was about the digital training and e-inclusion for caregivers of dependent people. In addition, I have attended several courses in the field of social sciences, as a Master's degree in Universal Accessibility and Design-for-All and a Master's degree in Dependency and Equality in Personal Autonomy.

I have had the opportunity to work on different international projects on innovation, technology, aging and care. Currently I work as a social worker at the Community Social Services center in Martos, a municipality of Jaén. My current job allows me to understand better the management of Social Services; something that is not often worked on.

Becoming an executive member would allow me to contribute with my knowledge and experience, and also with a broad vision of social work beyond the traditional approach; with a focus on strategic planning, management, research and applied innovation; as well as expertise in these matters and the world of care versus gender and aging. I believe I have developed management and leadership skills and analytical abilities that allow me to positively contribute to the work of the IFSW Europe. With the utmost humility but with great enthusiasm, and with the support of the General Council of Social Work, I would like to be part of the current work team of FITS Europe and assume my commitment to attend the executive meetings held before and after the delegates meeting as well as additional face to face meetings each year as well as periodic online meetings, as required.

I welcome the opportunity to discuss more about my qualifications and the ways in which I can contribute to the IFSW Europe team.



Sincerely, Lucía González.

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