Olga Rudenko Ukraine Member of Parliament (Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine)



Candidate for the Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians

Dear Colleagues,

It is an honor for me to submit my candidacy for the vacancy in the Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians in the Inter-Parliamentary Union that is to be filled by the Twelve Plus Group.

After a career in a private sector I have started serving as a member of the Parliament of Ukraine in September 2019 and became a member of the Ukrainian delegation to the IPU since October 2019. As a people's deputy of Ukraine, I am currently a member of the Foreign Affairs and Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation Committee.

The 2019 elections in Ukraine have 'reloaded' Ukrainian Parliament bringing over 80% of new faces which made it one of the youngest Parliaments in the world with the average age of 41 years old. IPU on the other hand, has always been empowering young politicians in strengthening the voices of young people through the democratic institutions, strengthening and rejuvenating democracies all over the world.

In today's world, social, economic, environmental and international security challenges have been emphasized by the COVID-19 pandemic. Young people all around the world have become one of the most vulnerable members of the society that were greatly affected by this new reality. Being a young parliamentarian gives me the privilege to be close to the youngest generations, hear their needs and transform their interests into laws and public policies.

In today's new realities Parliaments have to play the key role in the post-pandemic recovery efforts. The youth empowerment shall become the driving force and unifying factor for parliamentarians of all ages, bringing together the energy and experience for achieving common goals.

I would be very pleased to become a member of the Board of Young Parliamentarians and will commit every effort to retain your confidence.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Olga Rudenko

Head of the Ukrainian Parliamentary Delegation to the IPU



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Career:

2019 – now:

- Member of Parliament of Ukraine (Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine) Foreign Affairs and Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation Committee
- Head of the Ukrainian Parliamentary delegation to the IPU
- Member of the Ukrainian Parliamentary delegation to the **EuroNest** Parliamentary Assembly
- Co-head of the Parliamentary Friendship Group Ukraine Montenegro, Co-head of the Parliamentary Friendship Group Ukraine Switzerland
- 2015-2019 Press office, Kvartal 95
- 2013-2015 Key Account Manager, Newsfront PR Agency
- 2007-2013 Marketing and PR Director, BNS TRADE Ltd
- 2006-2007 Account Manager, TBWA\UKRAINE
- 2005 Head of Promo campaign, National Television Company of Ukraine
- 2002-2004 Trading Manager, Agrot Ltd

Languages: Ukrainian, Russian, English