

<b>Elected Position</b>	<b>Youth and Families Committee</b>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Mehmet Akif Yegin</b>
<b>Country</b>	United Kingdom
<b>Why are you volunteering for this position?</b>	Why are you volunteering for this position? I believe engaging youth is essential to keeping Servas alive. By involving younger generations, we can ensure that Servas continues to share its values, culture, and stories across time. To me, Servas feels like a global family, and I want to help nurture and strengthen that spirit. What can you offer Servas? As a software developer, I can support Servas by streamlining processes, automating repetitive tasks, and improving overall efficiency and quality. I aim to introduce innovative solutions that reduce manual work and allow volunteers to focus on meaningful activities. I am particularly interested in building a volunteering management system that gives young people meaningful roles and opportunities to actively contribute. Additionally, I can help organize educational exchanges in the UK and youth camps, including the upcoming April 2026 camp with 40 participants, fostering connections and inspiring the next generation. I am also keen on developing engaging social platforms, such as launching a podcast to share newsletters and reach a wider audience. What do you hope to achieve? I aim to make Servas more efficient and sustainable through technology while fostering a stronger, more engaged youth community. I dream of creating an actively involved generation that understands each other, can imagine, collaborates across cultures, and makes a meaningful impact toward Servas' goals for peace and global friendship. Key Background Experience Relevant to This Role I am an active volunteer with a strong commitment to community service. I support the elderly in various capacities, including serving as a walking companion and assisting with shopping through Westminster Council. I also organize events for young people that foster coding skills and creativity at the Institute of Imagination. Additionally, I volunteer with the Doorstep Library, delivering and reading books to children for whom English is a second language, and I serve as a coding instructor for multiple companies on a voluntary basis. Beyond this, I actively support the Raspberry Pi community and have established a Code Club in Tanzania in collaboration with a local people. Professionally, I work in the development team at Stellantis. My goal is to minimize manual work by implementing technological solutions, and I believe this expertise will enable me to streamline processes and achieve tasks more efficiently in this role.
<b>Skills and experience</b>	
English (basic-2-3-4 (fluent))	4 (Fluent)
Spanish (basic-2-3-4 (fluent))	0
Other languages	Turkish
Other languages: Level	0
Number in ServasOnline and Positions Held in Your Country and/or SI	6781 and Cordinator in West Midlands and also Youth and Families Co-ordinator
Attended Servas International Events in the Past 10 Years	Youth meetings and events
<b>Supported by</b>	National Group (Part 2A)
<b>A</b> Role of Supporter in National Group	National secretary / Main Contact
National Group Country and Supporter's Name	Britain/Ireland and Alison Newbery
Information in support of the candidate	I have known Akif since he was an asylum seeker in London over 2 years ago now. He is extremely capable, committed, open and friendly. He has excellent skills in many areas and is always ready to learn something new, and to take the initiative. He attended the Germany Youth Camp this year and engaged with other youth members both at home and internationally. I thoroughly recommend him as a volunteer with Servas International
<b>B</b> 5 Individual Servas Members:	
1st Individual Supporter	Carla Kristensen, Portugal, Servas International Vice President, crsckris@gmail.com
Information in support of the candidate	I support Yakif's application to the SI Youth and Families Committee,. He is a young man, active in Servas Britain and Ireland group, who has been engaged in the youth group as well and will bring a valuable contribution to this Committee.
2nd Individual Supporter	0
Information in support of the candidate	0
3rd Individual Supporter	0
Information in support of the candidate	0
4th Individual Supporter	0
Information in support of the candidate	0
5th Individual Supporter	0
Information in support of the candidate	0