

yes Resolution Contest – Terms and conditions

Article 1 - Participants

- Participants must be between 18 and 30 years old in October 2020,
- Participants must reside in Switzerland or be registered at a Swiss university if on exchange.
- Participants in the contest commit themselves to attend the JEF FC conference in Sofia, Bulgaria in October 2020 if they win the main prize of the contest and to present and defend their resolution there. The conference takes place over a weekend (from Friday around 18:00 in the evening to Sunday afternoon around 15:00), the exact dates will be communicated on the website as soon as they are known.

Article 2 – Topic of the resolution and questions a resolution must address

The topic of the resolution will be the following:

European foreign trade in the context of resurging nationalism and protectionism

The questions the resolution must address are, by order of priority (from highest to lowest), the following:

- How can Europe defend its commercial interests abroad in an ever more competitive environment?
- What commercial interests should be defended and how? Think about agricultural products, raw materials, manufactured goods and services.
- How should the EU go about issues such as mutual foreign direct investments, recognition of intellectual property, mutual access to public procurement?
- Should the EU's trade relations be conditional on social, environmental and other factors?
- Should the EU's foreign trade policy reflect broader European values and if yes, which ones?
- What are the likely longer-term geopolitical impacts of the approach proposed in the resolution? Think about how to reduce negative outcomes.

Article 3 – Evaluation criteria

- The jury will evaluate the resolutions by judging in particular (non-exhaustive list):
 - The way in which the subject is introduced in the preamble.
 - The quality and originality of the proposed solutions.
 - The quality of the language used.
 - In addition, participants are encouraged to mention in their resolution the relevant active resolutions (if any) of JEF Europe. These can be viewed in appendix 1 to this document (see below).

Article 4 - Submissions

- The participants will submit the following documents:
 - Their resolution written in the template provided on the website in both .docx and .pdf formats.

- 5 lines written by each participant to briefly describe himself/herself.
- In addition, participants who wish to do so may submit 1 A4 page maximum explaining the reasoning behind their resolution and the trade-offs they made. This part of the submission will not be evaluated as such but may help the jury to better understand and evaluate the resolution.
- All these documents must be submitted together within the submission deadline (14 June 2020).
- All resolutions must be written in English, the working language of JEF Europe.
- The participants, through their participation, pledge on their honour that they received no external help in writing their submissions.

Article 5 – Communication

- All communications and questions pertaining to this contest shall be addressed to the dedicated e-mail address: resolution-contest@y-e-s.ch

Article 6 – Social Media

- The participants accept that yes may present pictures of them taken at the awards ceremony or at the JEF FC in Sofia, Bulgaria in October on the yes website and on the yes social media channels (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram).

Article 7 – Awarding of prizes

The jury will determine the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the Resolution Contest, based on the evaluation criteria set forth in these terms and conditions.

- 1st ranked resolution: The team who wrote the best resolution will win the main prize: they will have the chance to present their resolution at the JEF FC conference in October 2020 in Sofia, Bulgaria. All travel and conference registration costs (including accommodation) will be provided by yes. It should be noted that if the participant/team of participants with the 1st ranked resolution cannot participate in the JEF FC conference, then the main prize will be awarded to the 2nd ranked resolution, and so on until a participant/team of participants is found that will attend the conference. The resolution ranked 1st will in that case receive the prize intended for the 2nd best resolution, and so on.
- Prizes will also be awarded for the participant/team of participants who submitted the resolutions ranked 2nd and 3rd.
- The participants/teams of participants who wrote the 5 best resolutions will be invited to the awards ceremony and their resolutions will be published on the yes website.
- All participants will be awarded a certificate of participation, to honour the time and effort they poured into writing their resolutions.

Article 8 – Main prize – JEF FC conference in October

- The main prize winner(s) will be participating in the JEF Europe conference as members of the Swiss delegation alongside members of yes.

- The main prize winner(s) will be in charge of registering for the conference and booking their travel arrangements themselves. yes will consult with them to attempt to travel together (on the same flights).
- yes will be in charge of submitting the winning resolution to JEF Europe for inclusion in the conference programme. The resolution will thus be debated and voted upon during the JEF FC conference.
- The main prize winner(s) may be called upon to briefly present, explain or defend their resolution in the working groups. yes members will provide assistance during this process.
- yes will reimburse all incurred expenses to travel to and to register at the conference (accommodation is provided with registration). Participants shall hand in the corresponding receipts.

Article 9 – Jury

- A jury of 5 persons will be put in place to evaluate the submissions and settle all matters in relation to this contest.
- One person shall be designated to act as the president of the jury.
- Matters will generally be settled by consensus. Where consensus is not possible, a simple majority vote will be taken, all ties being settled by the president of the jury.
- All the decisions of the jury are final and any recourse to legal proceedings is excluded.

Article 10 – Revision and changes

- The present Terms and Conditions are subject to revision and changes.
- The most up-to-date version can always be found on the yes website under www.y-e-s.ch/resolution-contest.

Appendix 1 – Active JEF Resolutions

JEF resolutions remain active for two and a half years and must be voted upon again to remain active. Thus, the currently active resolutions (end of February 2020) are as follows:

Date of resolution	Title and link to resolution
08.11.2019	Towards genuine completion of the Banking Union
08.11.2019	After the Halle synagogue attack - Never again far-right...
08.11.2019	Internal Resolution: Adjustment of JEF Europe President role to...
08.11.2019	Establishing a European Security and Defence Union
08.11.2019	Calling for an ethical and efficient EU policy framework on...
08.11.2019	Protecting the value-based partnership with the US
08.11.2019	From the Spitzenkandidaten to renewed European democracy
26.10.2019	Environment does not stop at borders: Towards a Sustainable...
29.08.2019	EU Foreign Policy towards Russia
29.08.2019	Regarding the Protection of Rule of Law
29.08.2019	On the future of the UK after the Brexit referendum
29.08.2019	On the creation of a Fiscal Union in the Eurozone
29.08.2019	For a United Digital Europe
18.12.2018	For a common migration and asylum policy and a new EU strategy...
18.12.2018	For a common European response to the Ukraine crisis and the...
18.12.2018	Strengthening and Safeguarding Free Movement within the...
18.12.2018	From a multi-speed Europe to a Federal Europe
28.05.2018	For a Free, Fair and Sustainable Trade Policy
28.05.2018	For the Integration of the Western Balkans
28.05.2018	Advancing the European Union's Social Dimension
28.05.2018	Strengthening European Citizenship Education
28.05.2018	For an informed, respectful and democratic debate on the future...
17.04.2018	Lapsing - Strengthening the transnational dimension of the...
17.04.2018	Lapsing - Giving a strong voice to the citizens by a renewed...
17.04.2018	Let's give real European ambition to the citizens'...
17.12.2017	Calling for a European Constituent Assembly
17.12.2017	Calling for a European Convention Strengthening the economic...
05.12.2017	Re-defining the EU's foreign policy towards Africa
05.12.2017	Protecting EU Citizenship throughout Brexit
05.12.2017	On the institutional design and governance of the Eurozone
05.12.2017	A Federal Budget for the European Youth: Reforming the...

More resolutions will be added after the Spring JEF FC in April and May 2020. All resolutions can be viewed [here](#).