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Dear Friends

It is with delight that I would like to announce that the 4th FEPS Annual Autumn Academy (AAA): “For a Youthful Future of Europe” is now scheduled to take place in Brussels on 23rd – 26th October 2022 and the registration for this unique training event is herewith open. We very much hope we could count on you to disseminate this news further and help us attract the eligible participants.

The FEPS AAA is a flagship event of the FEPS Training Strategy, which established in 2019 has been welcoming the most promising, talented young politicians from across the EU. During the 3 days programme they acquire in-depth knowledge about the EU history, EU institutional structures, key policies and the prospect for immediate, as also mid-term future. The uniqueness of this initiative lies in its progressive character, innovative methodologies and the opportunities that it offers enabling direct connections with the frontbench politicians, top academics and leading actors from civil society. For every participant there is much to take home – starting from the FEPS Primers (that are launched at this occasion since 2021), through new skills (in advocacy, in winning political debates, in creating a convincing policy agenda) to unforgettable experience of belonging to a vibrant community of peers.

This year, as FEPS we have taken a decision to focus the programme on the issue of EU Youth Policies. We find it essential not only because of the context of the ongoing European Youth Year, but also because this is an appropriate angle to think ahead and strategise in concrete terms in these insecure times. Thus, the programme will offer an opportunity to learn about the existing policies and initiatives, discuss them and design new ones (for which purpose part of the programme will be devoted to the so called “Future Workshop”). Traditionally already, there will be a variety of modules – lectures, debates, country case workshops, masterclasses, and visits to the institutions, to name just a few. Through these FEPS will also promote the latest research findings from across the fields, including the new Builders for Progress report.

The invitation to participate is addressed to young politicians (who have been candidates or elected) and activists who can devote 3 days to the FEPS AAA. The language of the event is English, hence fluency is essential. The deadline for registrations falls on 3rd October.

When it comes to the costs, moving towards contributions is inevitable but, at the same time, FEPS remains committed to the programme and to fairness. Each FEPS member organization can nominate one participant for free and the second one for a fee of 250 euros. Nominations after 3rd October will rise to 500 euros.

Should you be so kind as to help us disseminate this invite, we would be most grateful – and in case of any questions, our Team remains at your disposal with Dr. Ania Skrzypek, Director for Research and Training (ania.skrzypek@feps-europe.eu) and Elena Gil, Coordinator for Training and Projects (elena.gil@feps-europe.eu) being the first contacts for this event.

With all the best wishes, and thanking you on advance for the cooperation,

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