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Vice-President for Events

Position Overview

The **Vice President for Events** is a Board-level role at the centre of EST's growing programme of public, educational and policy-facing activities. The role is about much more than organising individual events: it is about **shaping the way EST brings people together, creates spaces for policy engagement, and translates its ideas and partnerships into meaningful experiences for members and external audiences.**

Over the past year, EST has significantly expanded the scale and ambition of its events. The Vice President will lead the newly established Events Office, working with a team of six Event Officers and closely with the Working Groups, Research Desks, Partnerships, International Office and Communications.

The role offers the opportunity to build on what EST has already achieved while creating a more coherent and sustainable events portfolio for the future.

Why this role matters now

The 2025/26 term marked an important expansion of EST's capacity to organise ambitious, externally visible initiatives. **EST Academy 2026 attracted more than 220 applications, brought together 70 participants and 50+ experts, and combined learning, simulations, policy labs and governance analysis.** The Interactive Simulation on Human Trafficking in Conflict Contexts at the UN in Vienna attracted more than 150 applications and culminated in a published report.

EST also expanded its university and European engagement through initiatives connected to **European Youth Week**, including *A Europe of Strangers? Youth Voices on Belonging in Europe*, as well as its workshop on conflict narratives at the European Youth Event at the European Parliament.

These experiences have shown what EST can deliver. The next challenge is to **turn individual successes into a coherent events ecosystem**: one that is strategically aligned with EST's priorities, gives members meaningful opportunities to participate, and allows successful formats to be developed and repeated.

For the person taking on this role, this means an opportunity to **build an Events Office almost from the ground up**, establishing its structure, developing its team, shaping its annual calendar and helping define what EST's public and educational programme can look like in its next phase.

Responsibilities

- Lead and coordinate the EST Events Office
- Develop EST's annual events strategy and calendar
- Establish clear processes for proposing, planning, delivering and following up on events
- Coordinate Event Officers and distribute responsibilities across the team
- Develop a balanced portfolio of flagship, thematic, educational, networking and member-focused events

- Coordinate with Working Groups, Research Desks, International Office, Partnerships and Communications on joint initiatives
- Identify opportunities for EST to participate in relevant external conferences, policy forums and youth initiatives
- Develop event-based collaborations with universities, think tanks, NGOs and international organisations
- Support the scaling of successful formats and flagship initiatives
- Ensure major events have clear objectives, audiences, partners and follow-up mechanisms
- Contribute to Board discussions on EST's external engagement, visibility and institutional positioning

Requirements

- Excellent command of English
- Strong event and project-management skills
- Excellent organisation and attention to detail
- Ability to coordinate several projects and deadlines simultaneously
- Strong communication and stakeholder-management skills
- Ability to lead, delegate and motivate a team
- Proactive, creative and solution-oriented approach
- Ability to develop a longer-term strategy rather than focusing only on individual events
- Confidence working with external partners and institutions
- Previous experience in events, project management, partnerships or coordination is an advantage
- Previous experience within EST is strongly preferred

Application Process

- Each candidate may apply for a maximum of two positions
- Applications should be submitted through the designated application [form](#)
- CV: maximum 2 pages, in PDF format
- Applicants should provide a concise motivation and explain what they would like to build in the role
- Expected start: November 2026
- All positions are voluntary and unpaid and are open to students and young professionals

Application deadline: October 12 2026, 23:59 CEST