



REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
MINISTER

TO THE PARTICIPANTS  
IN THE 48<sup>TH</sup> SESSION  
OF THE EUROPEAN YOUTH PARLIAMENT

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DEAR YOUTH DELEGATES,  
DEAR FRIENDS,

First of all, allow me to express the very best wishes of the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria for a successful work and positive results of the forthcoming forum.

In only two years from now The European Youth Parliament will celebrate 20 years from its formation. It's almost symbolical that in the same year our country will be accepted as a member of the European Union and join the big European family. We, all Bulgarians, do hope and do believe that as a member of European nations Bulgaria will have a chance to offer its hospitality to some of the next European Youth Parliament sessions in our capital Sofia or any other of our beautiful cities.

Our common task is to make the world a better and a safer place, to further encourage and develop unique talents of the young generations, to give young people the opportunity to set their own way with no fear, but optimism and trust in global human development.

I am aware of the resistance of youth towards the instructions and the mentoring tone in voice of older generations but nevertheless I would take the liberty and advise you – Never let your hopes for a better world diminish! You are tomorrow's politicians of the United Europe and the better future of our world depends on you and will be shaped by you. Treasure those in mind taking part in all important Committees during the work of 48<sup>th</sup> session of EYP.

YOURS,

SOLOMON PASSY  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS