

## Kanti Wohlen at the EYP Conference in Antwerp May 3 – May 2022

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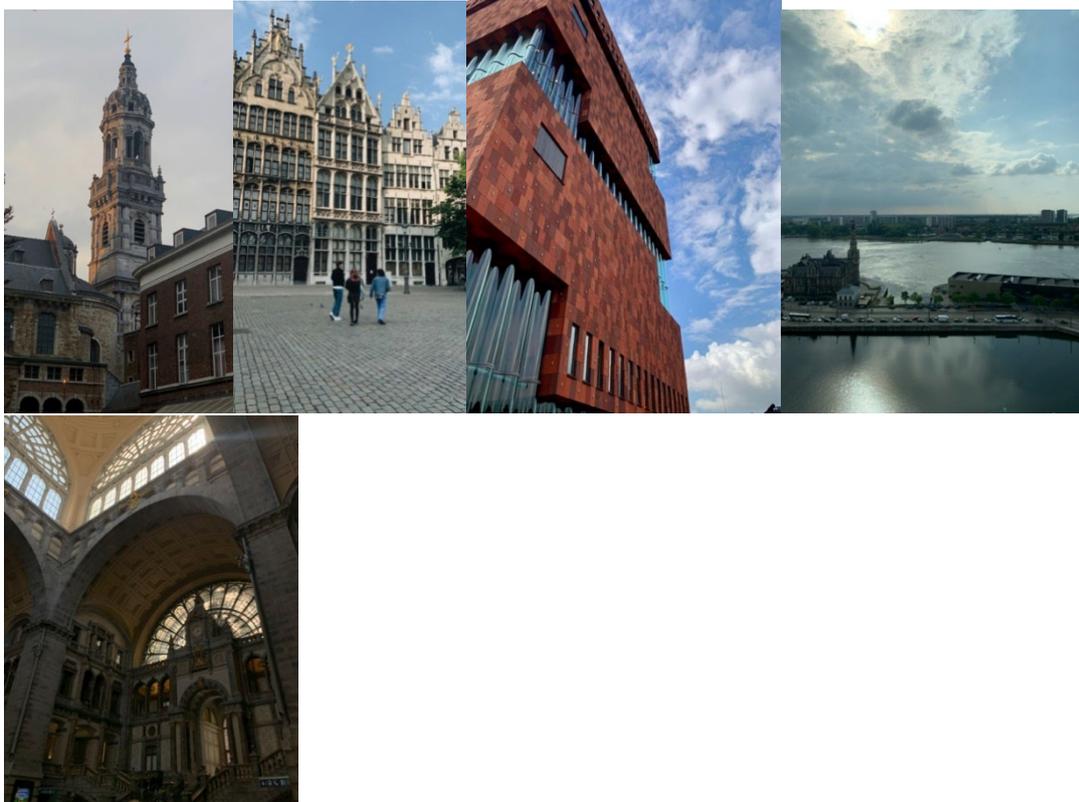
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### ANTWERP

The EYP session we attended this time was the one in Belgium, Antwerp. For most of us, it was the first time there, so it was definitely something new and exciting. We arrived in the late afternoon on a Monday, so we had tons of time to walk around and explore the city together. Personally, I loved the building style and the aesthetic of Antwerp. The rowhouses made the whole city seem very cozy, but at the same time, the place was full of life and very vibrant thanks to the many restaurants and shops in the town. During the session, we even got a sightseeing tour, where we could go on top of the MAS building (it's a museum) and watch over the whole city from above. Oh, and also, I can really recommend visiting the river in Antwerp at sunset, the view was simply amazing.





## **TRIP TO ANTWERP**

Being the Swiss delegation attending a session in Belgium Antwerp we had to travel quite a long distance. By train from Wohlen AG over Basel, Köln, Brussels to Antwerp Central in approximately 9 long hours. Nonetheless this trip gave us the chance to get to know each other better, to build up a group dynamic and in no time, we were already having interesting conversations and exchanges of opinions about various topics, we laughed, had fun and were excited for the session ahead of us. Arriving in Antwerp one day before the session started, we had some time to experience the city itself and its lifestyle.

We've become friends along this journey and were able to experience some unforgettable days with each other.

## COMMITTEE WORK

Day 2 and 3, mainly consisted of committee work. During that time, our committees worked towards developing a resolution regarding a specific issue. Committee work starts by finding the root of the problem. Once that is identified, it is crucial to understand the sub-problems that compound the core problem. And for each sub-problem, a solution must be provided and backed up with strong arguments that prepare delegates for the General Assembly. Once a proposed solution addressing each issue has been identified, the resolution gets drafted by the delegates, following a specific structure supported by the chair of the committee.

The committees we were part of in Antwerp were the following:

- ITRE working towards a sustainable fashion industry by reducing the impact of fast fashion
- LIBE dealing with the accessibility of case files and thus ensuring a fair trial
- ECON I on greenwashing and the pursuit of an honest green economy
- JURI supporting the protection of intellectual property and simultaneously upholding a competitive market environment



## TEAMBUILDING



## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

On our last day in Antwerp the GA took place. After few days of hard work and a long, rather sleepless night, in which we prepared speeches and debate points, we assembled and went into a church inside the school we were at. There we sat down in our committee, and it was time to discuss debate points and prepare ourselves more for our own debates. Speeches were made, some really good ones as I think, our resolutions were discussed and attacked, and we of course defended our resolutions. Because GA is so tiring, we also had a few breaks where we refreshed ourselves with snacks. But of course, after ten minutes GA continued. At the end of the day all computers were being packed, our stuff gathered, and it was time to end the EYP national session of Belgium and also time to say goodbye to the friends we made in these few days.

