



## **Safiye Çağansel**

### **FIP YPG President-Elect 2022**

My name is Safiye Çağansel and I am currently working as a community pharmacist in my own pharmacy located in Nicosia, Cyprus. I was born and grew up in Nicosia and obtained my pharmacy degree from Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, Cyprus in 2017.

I have been the founder of the first pharmacy students association, EMUPSS, which has been the first internationally recognized association of pharmacy students and young pharmacists in the island. As a passionate founder, I represented all pharmacy students in the island on national and international level and

obtained membership to IPSF and EPSA in 2015 in India and 2016 in Finland respectively. Since attending my first IPSF World Congress in 2015 I wanted to do more internationally for the profession as well as global health. Therefore, I had the chance to serve in EPSA & IPSF Committees and Executive Committee of IPSF between 2016-2018. I also had the chance to attend and represent young pharmacists and pharmacy students at the most prestigious international events, such as the World Health Assembly of the World Health Organisation.

Soaking up the international experiences, I wanted to think global but this time act local, hence I started my national pharmacists association involvement. Up to date, I have been the youngest pharmacist who is elected to the administrative board of the Cyprus Turkish Pharmacists' Association (KTEB) first as the Auditing and Supervisory Board member in 2017, then to the Executive Board in 2019 as the Treasurer of the Association and FIP Liaison, where I served as FIP Council Member, representing KTEB and Cyprus between 2019-2021.

After I had the chance to visit FIP office in the Hague several times during IPSF Executive Committee face to face meetings and my team meetings, I joined FIP in 2018 and attended my first FIP Congress in 78th FIP World Congress in Glasgow. Following that I was involved in Community Pharmacy Section and FIP YPG. In 2021, I joined YPG Subcommittee as Facebook Manager, followed by Media Coordinator and today as the President-Elect.

I am excited and humbled to serve as President-Elect this year and President the following year. Looking forward to continuing the amazing work that has been done by the previous YPG Steering Committee and I am keen to further increasing our engagement with young pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists worldwide, working all together for the "One FIP" goal.

**Long live pharmacy! Long live FIP and YPG!**