

January 25, 2022

Alumni Council Voting Record for 2022-23 Council Members

The call for nominations for the 2022-23 Alumni Council was announced on December 15th and 16th, 2021 on the following mediums: newsletter (sent to the Alumni Mailing list with 1,621 alumni subscribers), an [article announcement](#) on aauni.edu, and on official AAU social media channels. The deadline for nominations was January 10th, 2022, to which there were eight nominations who confirmed their running.

All eight nominees were listed on a Google Form with the following information: name, year and program of graduation at AAU, and a link to their LinkedIn profile, and a short introduction of themselves. Nominees were advised to self-promote among their fellow alumni for votes. On January 17th, the Google Voting Form was sent out to the Alumni Mailing list (via Mailchimp), and informed alumni to vote for five of the eight alumni nominees before the deadline of January 24th, at midnight. Votes were validated by collecting the voters email address to verify with our Alumni Database which has the names of all our alumni and emails. Social media posts on AAU's official social media channels were shared to encourage alumni to vote and to email alumni@aauni.edu if they had not received an email. By January 24th, there were a total of 92 votes, however nine votes were deemed invalid due to non-alumni voters. A few of the votes were cast for less than five candidates, but they are still valid and were included in the tallying.

The five alumni with the most votes were as follows:

- 1) 64 votes: **Elizabeth Novacek**, 2015 BA International Relations Alumna
- 2) 43 votes: **Simone Bertolone**, 2019 Chapman MBA & 2017 BA International Relations Alumnus
- 3) 37 votes: **Tamar Melikishvili**, 2012 MA International Relations & Diplomacy Alumna
- 4) 29 votes: **Lukas Macenauer**, 2007 BA Politics & Society Alumnus
- 5) 28 votes: **Josef Müller**, 2009 BA Comparative Law Alumnus

The Alumni Council successfully fit the requirements laid out in the Alumni Council bylaws.

Other nominees received the following number of votes:

- 23 votes: **Milan Kálal**, 1998 BA Business Admin Alumnus
- 17 votes: **Gordan Pejić**, 2012 Chapman MBA Alumnus
- 16 votes: **Artemy Dmitriev**, 2021 BA Business Admin Alumnus

The election was facilitated by Dana Aleksic, External Outreach & Alumni Relations Manager, with the consultation of Richard Olehla, Vice-President for Academic Quality and Accreditation Liaison Officer, and promotion assistance from Kirstin Edgar, Junior Copywriter.