WAGENINGEN YOUNG ACADEMY IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS.

The Wageningen Young Academy (WYA), which started in 2012, is a diverse group of enthusiastic, ambitious, and outstanding young scientists from all departments of Wageningen University and Research.

Our objective is to stimulate interactions and debate among researchers from different disciplines and to strengthen the position of young researchers within WUR.

To achieve this objective, we organize lectures, master classes, and outreach activities. Additionally, representatives of the WYA participate in committees dealing with the policy and vision of our institution. Current and past topics include tenure track, strategic plans, chair groups plans, diversity and inclusion, etc.

To learn more about our mission, activities, and current members, please visit our website www.wageningenur.nl/wya and follow us on Twitter @wyoungacademy.

On a yearly basis, the WYA seeks to recruit a new cohort of members to reinforce our team.

Are you a young scientist who would like to join us?

Eligible candidates should have:
- A PhD
- A primary affiliation at WUR.
- A strong motivation to contribute to academic quality at WUR.
- A clear independence in their scientific career.
- An interest in exploring beyond the borders of their own discipline and in interacting with researchers from other fields.

How to apply

If you would like to join the WYA, please submit **a single PDF (max. 4 A4 pages)** with a **letter of motivation and your CV** to wageningen.youngacademy@wur.nl.

In your letter, please address, but do not limit yourself to, the following points:
1. Why do you want to join the WYA?
2. What will your contribution to the WYA be?
3. What is your research about? And why is your research exciting?

Applicants will be evaluated based on two primary criteria: academic excellence and motivation to contribute.

The WYA also aims for equal representation of women and men, a balance among the five science groups, and mixture of nationalities that reflects the internationalization of WUR.

Application timeline

- The deadline for application submission is **31 January 2019**.
- Applicants selected for a short interview will be notified by the end of January.
- Short interviews will be held during the **afternoon of 27 February 2019**. (Please reserve this afternoon in your agenda, and please mention in your letter of motivation if you are absolutely unavailable.)