

Dear friends,

I am standing for the election to the features editor position on the Basic Income Earth Network Executive Council. Currently, I am a Ph.D. student in Taiwan studying Asia Pacific Studies and I am the chairman of UBI Taiwan. Advancing basic income is my true passion and I hope to continue to leverage the features editor position for sharing important developments and opinions to facilitate spirited debate within the basic income movement and those who are new to the idea.

I believe in the mission of BIEN and the importance of illuminating the diverse messages of the basic income movement from around the world. BIEN is an essential platform to elevate the basic income voices and stories. As features editor, I have worked to expand the types of interviews and perspectives published by BIEN.

Since 2015, I have been involved with BIEN and the basic income movement. In 2016, I became the features editor and officially entered the Executive Council in 2018. That same year, I worked with a group of passionate young people in Taiwan to formally establish UBI Taiwan, which has helped distribute news from BIEN in the Chinese language.

As features editor, I pledge to:

- **Expand diversity of perspectives:** It is important to hear from basic income academics and activists with different viewpoints. This is an area that can be further expanded because even within the movement there are many diverse perspectives that should be explored and debated.
- **Retain high quality standards:** To remain a credible and important source of information about basic income, it is my first duty to make sure that all published pieces are high quality and contain accurate sources.
- **Increase global outreach:** There are often many pieces that focus on Europe and the United States regarding basic income. Around the world, there are important movements and debates forming that should be explored by BIEN and its audience. Reaching out to these audiences and global perspectives should be a key goal for the features section.

As the world enters an era of greater uncertainty, the debate about basic income is reaching a new level of importance and seriousness. It is critical for diverse and accurate information to continue to inform this essential discussion. I hope that I have the chance to continue to work with the EC in cultivating a healthy and academic platform for expanding global knowledge of basic income.

Sincerely,

Tyler Prochazka