



COMING SOON:

MULTISTAKEHOLDER MEETING: VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN “ENGAGING YOUTH AS AGENTS OF CHANGE”

19th – 20th June 2014, Melaka, Malaysia (*Tentative*)

The **Multi-stakeholder Meeting: Violence Against Women “Engaging Youth As Agents Of Change”** is organised by the World Youth Foundation (*“an NGO in Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations”*). The **Multi-stakeholder Meeting** is tentatively scheduled to be held from **19th – 20th June 2014 at Melaka, Malaysia**. The meeting is a platform to bring young people together to learn, share, create awareness and mobilize them for action against violence against women.. **Attendance to the event is by invitation only.** The event is open to young people between the ages 18–25 years, youth leaders and workers between the ages 25–40 years, NGOs, youth ministries, international NGOs, regional platforms, multilateral organization, etc. Those interested kindly drop us an email wylf@po.jaring.my / wrlf@youth@gmail.com latest by 30th March 2014 expressing your intention to participate and we will send you the registration form. **There are no registration fees.** Participants are required to fund their own air-travel.

Further Information on the Multi-stakeholder Meeting will be made available on our website from **31st March 2014**

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON YOUTH AND CLIMATE CHANGE

4th – 6th September 2014, Melaka, Malaysia (*Tentative*)

The **International Workshop on Youth and Climate Change 2014** is a follow-up to the **“Youth Be Aware” Workshop 2012: Health and Environment** and is tentatively scheduled to be held in **September 2014 at Melaka, Malaysia**. This International Workshop will examine evidence of climate change, its natural and human causes, its ecosystemic impacts and its human impacts. Further information on the International Workshop including the Application Form, Provisional Programme, Payment and FAQ will be available on WYF’s website at <http://www.wyf.org.my> from **31st March 2014**.

MELAKA GREEN HERITAGE RUN 2014

6th December 2014, Mahkota Parade Melaka, Malaysia (Tentative)

The *Melaka Green Heritage Run 2014* will be a historical event, bring participants from all walks of life to experience a foot race through a UNESCO World Heritage site. *Melaka Green Heritage Run 2014* will provide ample opportunities to promote this event to a wide audience throughout Malaysia and the surrounding regions. The *Melaka Green Heritage Run 2014* will provide unique opportunity for youths to be actively involved in social, cultural and sports integration activities and to promote racial unity in line with the aspiration of 1Malaysia. We are **looking for donors & sponsors** to support the *Melaka Green Heritage Run 2014*. Those interested in partnering us for the event please email to wyl@po.jaring.my / wrlldyth@gmail.com.

MY WORLD

World Youth Foundation (WYF) has joined force with the UN and became a committed partner for MY WORLD. It is an options survey which MY WORLD asks individuals which six of sixteen possible issues you think would make the most difference to your lives. We seek your support to disseminate this campaign widely to get millions of people to VOTE.

Click Here to Vote: <http://www.myworld2015.org/?partner=wrlldyth>

‘YOUTH FOR CHANGE’ UNAOC-EF SUMMER SCHOOL IN NEW YORK

The United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and EF Education First (EF) will co-organize their UNAOC-EF Summer School for the second consecutive year. This summer, 75 youth leaders from all over the world will be invited to engage in dialogue across borders, build critical skills for global citizenship and strengthen the ability to achieve lasting positive social change. The UNAOC-EF Summer School 2014 takes place at EF's New York campus in Tarrytown, NY, USA from **16th to of 23rd August 2014**. Registration (www.UNAOCEFSummerSchool.org) is open to youth aged 18 to 35 until 22nd April 2014.

6th CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO THE UN-HABITAT URBAN YOUTH FUND

The UN-HABITAT Urban Youth Fund is calling for applications for the UN-Habitat Urban Youth Fund. The Fund supports urban youth in developing countries. It aims to advance the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and the Habitat Agenda by providing small grants of up to USD 25,000 to youth-led projects piloting innovative approaches to employment, good governance, shelter and secure tenure. More information can be found at <http://www.unhabitat.org/youthfund>

GETTING WOMEN'S VOICES HEARD: THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE ON MEDIA AND GENDER

The Beijing Platform for Action calls upon the media and governments to ensure that women have equal participation in and access to the media, and to address stereotypical representations of women in the media. However, as the five-yearly [Global Media Monitoring Project¹](#) reports show, women's access to the media is progressing at a glacial pace. To help speed progress, UNESCO has joined with civil society organisations to launch the Global Alliance on Media and Gender (GAMG) following a three-day forum in Bangkok in December 2013. See <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/communication-and-information/crosscutting-priorities/gender-and-media/global-forum-on-media-and-gender/homepage/> for more information.

THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS ACKNOWLEDGES NEED TO FOCUS ON IMPROVING RIGHTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

The Committee of Ministers replied to the Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2015 (PACE rec 2015) recognising the need to pay more attention to the rights of young people. However, the Committee of Ministers did not accept PACE's call for a legally binding instrument on youth rights, but instead puts emphasis on the use of existing instruments. [Read More](#)

SUSTAINABILITY JOURNALISM AWARD AND NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK POSTER CONTEST

The Sustainability Journalism Award is open to high school students ages 13-18. Five prizes will be awarded. \$500 for first prize, \$250 for second prize, and \$100 for each of the three third prize winners. [Click here to learn more or submit an article.](#) The [National School Lunch Week Poster Contest](#) is accepting applications from all K-8th grade US students and is open to handmade or computer-generated posters depicting healthy school lunches. Posters can be submitted via email (education@earthday.org) or sent to (Earth Day Network, 1616 P St. NW, Suite 340, Washington DC 20036). A winner from each age group will receive \$100. Further information on the poster contest can be found [here](#).

SURVEY SHEDS LIGHT ON THE DARK FIGURE OF MODERN-DAY SLAVERY

Over 29 million people worldwide are still victims of forced labour, reported in the Walk Free Foundation's recent Global Index on Slavery—the first attempt to measure the scale of modern-day slavery on a country-by-country basis. Around 10 countries account for over 70 percent of the world's slaves, with India having 14.7 million; while China and Pakistan have 3.1 million and 2.2 million respectively. [Read more](#)

NEW UN REPORT HIGHLIGHTS EXPERIENCES, CHALLENGES FACED BY YOUNG MIGRANTS WORLDWIDE

A new report by the United Nations <"<http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/news/social/youth-migration-report.html>">[spotlights](http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/news/social/youth-migration-report.html) the significant impact of young migrants on origin, transit and destination countries and communities, as well as the challenges they face, as told in their own voices. According to the latest UN estimates, there are 232 million international migrants worldwide, representing 3.2 per cent of the world's total population of 7.2 billion. There are 35 million global migrants under the age of 20, up from 31 million in 2000, and another 40 million between the ages of 20 and 29. Together, they account for more than 30 per cent of all migrants. Females account for approximately half of all global youth migrants. For more details go to UN News Centre at <http://www.un.org/news>

NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY 2014: INDIA

Congress Vice-President Rahul Gandhi and Sports Minister Jitendra Singh unveiled two ambitious projects - 'National Youth Policy 2014' and 'Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan', which focuses on education, skill development, employment, entrepreneurship and health. NYP 2014 and RGKA, a centrally sponsored plan scheme, were launched in the presence of boxers Mary Kom and Vijender Singh, national badminton coach Pullela Gopichand, former athlete Ashwini Nachappa, shooter Ronjan Sodhi, weightlifter Karnam Malleswari and gymnast Ashish Kumar at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. The National Youth Policy (NYP 2014) is a comprehensive policy document that states the vision of the Government of India (GOI) for the youth of the country and also how this vision is sought to be realised by the government.

NYP 2014 seeks to achieve a productive workforce through education, skill development for better employability and entrepreneurship training; a healthy generation with sports as a way of life; a sense of community service and strong social values; high levels of participation in governance; and social inclusiveness by creating equitable opportunities for all. For more information, visit <http://www.dnaindia.com/india/report-national-youth-policy-2014-unveiled-by-rahul-gandhi-1964031>

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS_INTERCULTURAL INNOVATION AWARD

[BMW Group](http://www.bmwgroup.com) and the [United Nations Alliance of Civilizations \(UNAOC\)](http://www.unaoc.org) have started, under the [Intercultural Innovation Award](http://www.interculturalinnovation.org), their annual search for grass-root organizations engaged in innovative cross-cultural work. Ten organizations with grassroots projects that promote intercultural understanding in new and sustainable ways will be awarded funding and strategic support by the BMW Group and the UNAOC. To be considered, organizations must apply online by Wednesday, 30 April, 2014 at 5:00 pm New York City time. The top ten finalists will be invited to present their projects at the 6th UNAOC Global Forum in August 2014 in Bali, Indonesia. A total of 100,500 USD is offered to the awardees, of which 40,000 USD goes to the winning project. For further information about the Intercultural Innovation Award see: <http://interculturalinnovation.org/the-award/>

EVENTS

THE 2nd CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS, ENERGY AND DEVELOPMENT IN ASIA (COSA 2014)

17th – 19th March 2014

Hiroshima, Japan

Website: <http://www.presdafoundation.org/sustainable-business-conference/proposals>

Email: cosa.secretariat@presdafoundation.org

THE ROLE OF WOMEN, THE YOUNG AND CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

24th – 25th March 2014

New York, United States

Website: http://www.un.org/en/ga/president/68/pdf/letters/12052013Post-2015_Development_Agenda.pdf

INDIAN OCEAN FUTURES CONFERENCE 2014

25th March 2013

Fremantle, Australia

Website: <http://www.iofc2014.com>

Email: infor@eecw.om.au

WHAT'S WORKING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 2014

26th March 2014

Dublin, Ireland

Website: <http://www.whatsworkingforyoungpeople.com>

CONGO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2nd – 4th April 2014

New York, United States

Website: <http://www.ngocongo.org/9-what-we-do/81-congo-general-assembly-2014>

UN COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT, 47th SESSION

7th – 11th April 2014

New York, United States

Website: <http://sids-l.iisd.org/events/47th-session-of-the-commission-on-population-and-development/>

3rd WORLD CONFERENCE ON BUSINESS, ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT (BEM-2014)

9th – 11th April 2014

Sapienza University, Faculty of Economics, Rome, Italy

Website: www.wc-bem.org

7th INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF ASTRONOMY AND ASTRONAUTICS

10th – 12th April 2014

Campos dos Goytacazes, Rio de Janeiro State, Brazil

Website: <http://astronomia.eventbrite.com>.

2nd GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (CENVISU-2014)

10th – 12th April 2014

Sapienza University, Faculty of Economics, Rome – Italy

Website: www.cenvisu.org

4th WORLD CONFERENCE ON INNOVATION AND COMPUTER SCIENCES (INSODE-2014)

11th – 13th April 2014

Sapienza University, Faculty of Economics, Rome, Italy

Website: www.insode.org

GLOBAL DONORS FORUM 2014

“Celebrating Philanthropy in Emerging Economies”

13th – 16th April 2014

Washington, D. C, USA

Website: [www.globaldonorsforum.org / gdf@thewcmp.org](http://www.globaldonorsforum.org/gdf@thewcmp.org)

WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY+10: HIGH-LEVEL EVENT

13th – 17th April 2014

Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

Website: www.itu.int/wsis/implementation/2014/forum/

DIABETES SUMMIT 2014

23rd – 25th April 2014

Boston, USA

Website: <http://www.gtcbio.com/newsletter/diabetes14I-w.htm>

CLIMATE CHANGE DEMANDS WE CHANGE. WHY AREN'T WE?

24th April 2014

New York, United States of America

Website: www.newschool.edu/cps/climate-change

CAN YOU AFFORD TO MISS OZWATER'14?

29th April – 1st May 2014

Brisbane, Australia

Website: www.ozwater.org/register

Email: ozwater@awa.asn.au

5th WORLD CONFERENCE ON PSYCHOLOGY, COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE

1st – 3rd May 2014

Dubrovnik, Croatia

Website: www.wcpcg.org

3rd WORLD CONFERENCE ON DESIGN, ARTS AND EDUCATION

2nd – 3rd May 2014

Dubrovnik, Croatia

Website: www.artsedu.org

ASIA MEDIA SUMMIT (AMS) 2014

6th – 8th May 2014 (*Deadline: 10th March 2014*)

Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Website: www.aibd.org.my/ams

4th GLOBAL CONFERENCE: LIVING RESPONSIBLY

6th – 8th May 2014

Lisbon, Portugal

Website: <http://www.inter-disciplinary.net/probing-the-boundaries/persons/ethics-everyday-life/call-for-papers/>

WORLD YOUTH CONFERENCE 2014

Colombo, Sri Lanka

6th – 10th May 2014

Website: <http://www.worldyouthconference2014.org/>

2nd GLOBAL CONFERENCE: TEENAGERS AND CONTEMPORARY VISUAL CULTURE

10th – 12th May 2014

Lisbon, Portugal

Website: <http://www.inter-disciplinary.net/critical-issues/ethos/skins/call-for-papers/>

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN STRATEGIC CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

12th – 15th May 2014

London, UK

Website: <http://parliamentarystudies.org.uk/O8S-1ZPNH-66KFTF-TO07D-1/c.aspx>

GLOBAL FORUM ON MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

12th – 16th May 2014

Stockholm, Sweden

Website: <https://www.gfmd.org/en/gfmd-2012/key-2013-2014-activities>

DECENTRALISED ENERGY 2014 FORUM

13th May 2014

Website: <http://climateactionprogramme.us5.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=d193bc5a2d5ae9b88e6ae7d36&id=190c646c2f&e=5f6b523547>

Email: cpoole@decentralisedenergy.co.uk

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON YOUTH AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

15th May 2014

SAMSUN, Turkey

Website: <http://www.genclikvekulturelmirasimiz.org/en/index.html>

2nd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY FOR SUSTAINABLE BUILT ENVIRONMENT 2014 (ICITSBE2: 2014)

27th May 2014

Ipoh, Perak, Malaysia

Website: www.perak.uitm.edu.my/icitsbe/

YOCOCU 2014-YOUTH IN CONSERVATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

28th May 2014

Agsu, Azerbaijan

Website: www.yococu.com

Email: info@yococu.com

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHY YOUTH SUMMIT - 2014

9th June 2014

Bangalore, India

Website: www.tiigs.org/ngys/

ACSEE2014 - THE FOURTH ASIAN CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABILITY, ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

12th – 15th June 2014

Osaka, Japan

Email: acsee@iafor.org

Website: <http://acsee.iafor.org/> / www.iafor.org

UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT ASSEMBLY

23rd – 27th June 2014

Nairobi, Kenya

Website: <http://climate-l.iisd.org/events/un-environmental-assembly-of-unepl/>

RHYTHMS OF ONE WORLD 2014 INTERNATIONAL CHORAL FESTIVAL

Geneva, Switzerland

24th – 30th June 2014

Website: www.faf.org

Email: friendlyam@faf.org

DEUTSCHE WELLE GLOBAL MEDIA FORUM

30th – 2nd July 2014

Bonn, Germany

Website: www.dw-gmf.de

Email: gmf@dw.de

SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF UN ECOSOC

1st – 25th July 2014

Geneva, Switzerland

Website: <http://post2015.iisd.org/events/2013-substantive-session-of-ecosoc/>

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 2014: GREEN TECHNOLOGY, RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

5th – 7th July 2014

Bangkok, Thailand

Website: <http://www.sdconference.org>

Email: contact@tomorrowpeople.org

GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN EDUCATION (GLOBEDU-2014)

12th – 14th July 2014

Stratosphere Hotel & Tower Convention Center, Las Vegas, USA

Website: www.globe-edu.org

Email: globe.info@globalcenter.info

4th GLOBAL CONFERENCE: CHILDHOOD

Mansfield College, Oxford, United Kingdom

17th – 19th July 2014

Website: <http://www.inter-disciplinary.net/probing-the-boundaries/persons/childhood/call-for-papers/>

2014 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH (ICEER 2014)

18th July 2014

Madrid, Spain

Website: www.iceer.net

Email: iceer@scie.org

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT 2014

Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

7th – 8th August 2014

Website: www.ontariointernational.org

Email: oida@ontariointernational.org

7th KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE (KMICe)

12th – 15th August 2014

Langkawi Island, Malaysia

Website: <http://www.kmice.uum.edu.my>

Email: kmice@uum.edu.my

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WATER, INFORMATICS, SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENT

26th – 28th August 2014

Gatineau - Ottawa, Canada

Website: <http://www.iwiseconference.com>

Email: iwsie@sciencetarget.com

THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES, SIDS

1st – 4th September 2014

Apia, Samoa

Website: <http://www.sids2014.org/index.php?menu=1498>

UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON ICPD BEYOND 2014

22nd September 2014

New York, United States

Website: <http://icpdbeyond2014.org/key-events/view/15-icpd-beyond-2014-review-timeline>

2014 CLIMATE SUMMIT, ORGANIZED BY UN SECRETARY-GENERAL

23rd September 2014

New York, United States

Website: <http://climate-1.iisd.org/events/2014-climate-summit/>

18th ORGANIC WORLD CONGRESS

13th – 15th October 2014

Istanbul, Turkey

Website: [http://ifoam.us4.list-](http://ifoam.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=75bdf144a46c1e451eecd10&id=7759e33d50&e=87796b5e65)

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10th ASEM SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT

16th – 17th October 2014

Milan, Italy

Website: <http://www.aseminfoboard.org/>

INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION, PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE

20th October – 7th November 2014

Busan, Korea

Website: <http://www.itu.int/en/plenipotentiary/2014/Pages/default.aspx>

5th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION AND EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

22nd – 25th October 2014

Kyrenia, Cyprus

Website: www.icepsy.org

6th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON YOUTH AND INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

24th October 2014

Jos, Nigeria

Website: www.interfaithdialogueconference.org/

WORLD CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, ORGANIZED BY UNESCO

10th – 12th November 2014

Aichi-Nagoya, Japan

Website: <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/education/events/calendar-of-events/education-global-conferences/>

7th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE: IMPACTS AND RESPONSES

10th April 2015

Vancouver, Canada

Website: <http://on-climate.com/the-conference-2015>

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT+20

Website: <http://icpdbeyond2014.org/>

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY+20

Website: <http://www.family2014.org/home.php>

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