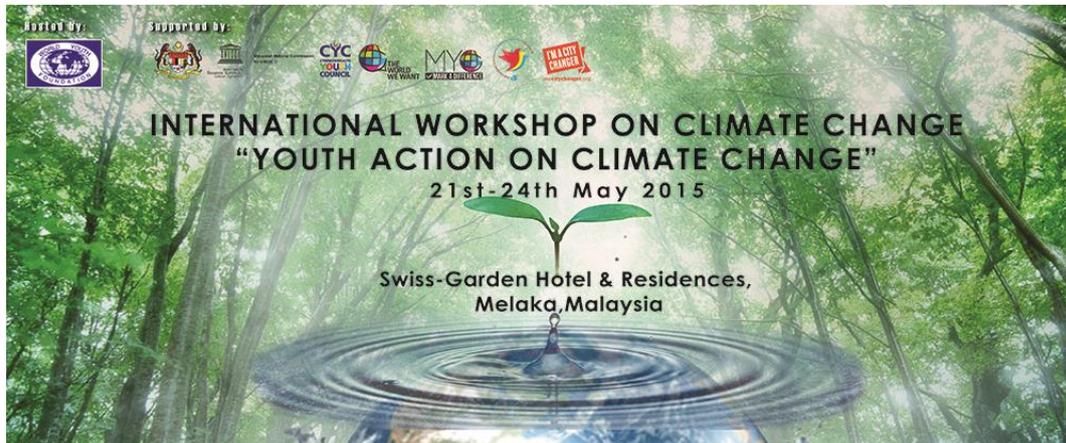




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INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON CLIMATE CHANGE "YOUTH ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE", 21ST - 24TH MAY 2015, SWISS-GARDEN HOTEL & RESIDENCES MALACCA, MALAYSIA



The **four-day** event was organized by World Youth Foundation, an "NGO in Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations," in collaboration with Ministry of Youth and Sports Malaysia, Commonwealth Youth Council, Malaysia National Commission for UNESCO, Tenaga Nasional Berhad, Malacca Stamford College, Pembangunan Pertanian Melaka Sdn Bhd, and various other agencies. The event received the endorsement of Commonwealth Youth Council (CYC). Climate Change has also been identified as

a key precondition and greatest challenges of our time in the Outcome document of the Future We Want, and the recently concluded COP 20 in Lima, Peru.

In his closing address, Hon. Senator Tan Sri (Dr.) Mohd Ali Rustam, Chairman of the World Youth Foundation (WYF) informed delegates of the event that the Prime Minister of Malaysia had mentioned in the last United Nations Climate Change Conference that Malaysia had managed to cut the carbon emissions by 33%; and reminded young people that youth being the largest stakeholders of civil society, should be at the forefront not only to voice out for sustainable development dialogue but to take concrete actions on the ground to implement climate change issues".

Climate Change gathered us here today, and we hope we can come up with different strategies for the future. Here we have people that come from very varied backgrounds, different geographical origins, with different life stories and different experiences. This, is an immense opportunity. I invite you all to make the best of it. I want to thank you for making the effort of being here today.

He was speaking at the **International Workshop on Climate Change** which was held from **21st - 24th May 2015** at the **Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences Malacca, Malaysia** with the theme **"Youth Action on Climate Change"**.

World Youth Foundation's Chairman, Hon. Senator Tan Sri (Dr.) Mohd Ali Rustam also said that World Youth Foundation will also be holding side event in Paris during the COP 21, to show a massive support to the 20,000 participants and the world in tackling climate change.

Mr. Ravi Karkara, Global Expert Advisor on Children and Youth to the UN Millennium Campaign delivered a special video message, identifying male participation to bring about change in gender based violence. He spoke about the need of an inclusive society, intergenerational partnership and why it was important to empower women.

Various papers were presented by distinguished speakers focusing on specific sub-topics, and delegates also shared best practices. Delegates submitted sustainable commitments (SCs) - pledging to carryout time based projects within their own settings within one year of the event. The projects include campaigns, capacity building workshops, Google hangout and discussions with university students among others.

Delegates also adopted a Youth Action Plan which will serve as a guideline to follow-up activities for participants in their respective communities. The Youth Action Plan will be shared with UN agencies, the Beyond 2015 secretariat, governments and NGOs.

A total of ninety two participants (92) from ministries, justice department, institutions of higher learning, NGOs, youth organizations from 17 countries attended the 4 day event.

Further information is available [here](#).

OFFICIAL LAUNCHING CEREMONY OF MY WORLD - THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL SURVEY FOR A BETTER WORLD, 24TH MAY 2015 - SWISS GARDEN HOTEL & RESIDENCES MALACCA, MALAYSIA



All are Welcome

Date: 24th May 2015 @ 11:00 A.M.
Venue: Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences
Malacca, Malaysia



MyWorld is a global survey led by the United Nations and partners and the public was invited to choose any 6 priorities out of the 16 options that they think would make the most difference to their lives. **"The survey results would be used as reference for the global leaders in formulating future policies,"** says Hon. Senator Tan Sri (Dr.) Mohd Ali Rustam, Chairman of the World Youth Foundation (WYF). He mentioned this while giving a speech during the Closing ceremony of the International Workshop Climate Change and the Launching Ceremony of "My World" - the United Nations global survey.

"Unfortunately, Malaysia has about 28 million people but only around 5000 people has voted to get their voice heard so far. World Youth Foundation will keep on engaging with schools and communities to ensure that voices of all Malaysians are transitioned into the next set of sustainable development goals."





Mr. Asfaazam Kasbani, the Assistant Resident Representative from UNDP Malaysia also stated that the world population has surpassed 7 billion right now but only about 7 million votes have been collected globally. Based on democratic procedure, this 0.01% response is insufficient in representing the voices of the people. He called upon the public to actively cast in their votes via www.myworld2015.org or <http://wyf.org.my/myworld>.

He also praised that the agenda on pursuing green growth was included into the main 6 strategic thrusts of the 11th Malaysia Plan. However, he cautioned delegates of the event that green growth need not only be taken into account from the perspectives of policy, awareness and finance, but the data also has to be done more holistically, and not aggregated only at the federal level.

A number of guests from governments, NGOs, institutions of higher learning, private sector and relevant stakeholders has casted their votes during the event.

To Vote Click: <http://www.myworld2015.org/?partner=wrlthyth>



"WE CAN NO LONGER DELAY ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE,"



Last year, 2014 was the planet's warmest year on record, and 14 of the 15 hottest years on record have all fallen in the first 15 years of this century. So climate change is real as are its effects: stronger storms, deeper droughts, longer wildfire seasons and public-health risks. The surgeon general and I recently met with doctors and nurses and parents who see patients and kids grappling with the health impacts. The Pentagon says that climate change poses an increasing set of risks to our national security.

WHAT ROLE DO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND FORESTS HAVE IN A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE?



Over a quarter of a million people flocked to the National Mall in Washington, D.C., for the Global Citizen Earth Day concert. They urged leaders to take action to protect our planet and its people from the devastating effects of climate change. This call to action is timely as the United Nations begins the transition from the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) established 15 years ago to a new global sustainable development agenda to be adopted by world leaders at the UN General Assembly in September, and as it prepares for the UN Climate Change Conference in Paris in December.

Read more [here](#).

WORLD SUMMIT ON INFORMATION SOCIETY FORUM 2015



The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Forum 2015 represents the world's largest annual gathering of the 'ICT for development' community. The Forum will take place in Geneva, from 25-29 May 2015.

The WSIS Forum, co-organized by ITU, UNESCO, UNDP and UNCTAD, in close collaboration with all WSIS Action Line Facilitators/Co-Facilitators, has proven to be an efficient mechanism for coordination of multistakeholder implementation activities, information exchange, creation of knowledge, sharing of best practices and continues to provide assistance in developing multistakeholder and public/private partnerships to advance development goals.

To learn more about this event, please click [here](#).

LET'S MAKE 2015 A TURNING POINT FOR YOUTH PARTICIPATION

2015 has a special significance for all of us. We look beyond the Millennium Development Goals and feel more and more excited about the bold, ambitious and inclusive development agenda that is shaping up. It is vital to ensure that 2015 is also a turning point for youth participation. Youth are eager and ready to contribute. They not only expect to have a say in defining the sustainable development priorities for the next fifteen years but also want to be seen as equal partners in the implementation and monitoring of this agenda. Read more [here](#).



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EVENTS

WORLD OCEAN SUMMIT 2015 "BLUE ECONOMY; BLUE GROWTH"

Website: <http://www.economistinsights.com/sustainability-resources/event/world-ocean-summit-2015>

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CHEMICAL, CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING (CCEE-2015)

Website: <http://www.iicbe.org/2015/06/07/61>

25TH WORLD CONFERENCE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

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

8TH CONFERENCE OF STATES PARTIES TO THE CRPD

Website: <http://www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?navid=15&pid=1625>

HUMANITY IN ACTION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

Website: <http://www.humanityinaction.org/pages/91-call-for-applications>

THE 9TH ANNUAL POPPOV CONFERENCE ON POPULATION, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Website: <http://poppov.org/Events/2015/Ninth-Annual-PopPov-Conference.aspx>

8th WORLD ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CONGRESS (WEEC): PLANET AND PEOPLE

Website: <http://weec2015.org>

5th WORLD CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

Website: www.worldchildrenfestival.org

UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY: 3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Website: <http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2014/gaab4115.doc.htm>

HUMANITARIAN INNOVATION PROJECT

Website: <http://www.oxhip.org/2014/11/hip2015-cfp>

14th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MOBILITY AND TRANSPORT FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED PERSONS

Website: <http://www.transed2015.com>

CHILDHOOD: EXPLOITATION AND DANGER (THE CHILDHOOD PROJECT)

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

GLOBAL FORUM ON RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FOR HEALTH 2015

Website: www.forum2015.org

2nd WORLD CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS EDUCATION

Website: <http://www.sci-math.org>

3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON YOUTH 2015 (ICYOUTH 2015)

Website: <http://www.icyouth2015.upm.edu.my>

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