



## ANNOUNCEMENT!!NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF WYF EMAIL ADDRESS



Please be advised that as of 20th August 2015 our current email address [wyf@po.jaring.my](mailto:wyf@po.jaring.my) has ceased to be in operation. To ensure smooth transition, all communication to / from World Youth Foundation will be diverted to our new email address [wyfhq@wyf.org.my](mailto:wyfhq@wyf.org.my). Upon 21st August 2015, we will cut over completely to the new email address. Don't forget to add [wyfhq@wyf.org.my](mailto:wyfhq@wyf.org.my) to your contact or safe senders for regular updates!!!

We thank you for your continued support.

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## WORLD YOUTH FOUNDATION'S WEBSITE UNDER CONSTRUCTION

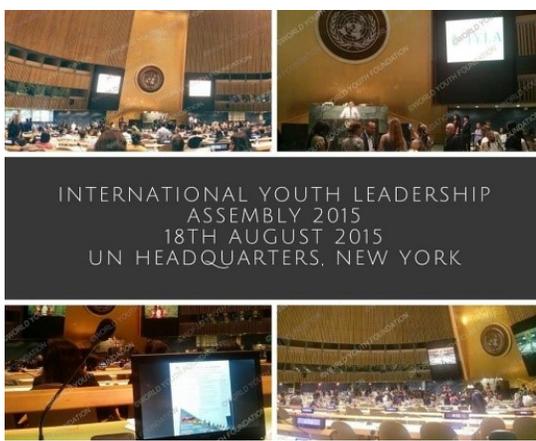


Our website is currently under construction and some of the information is unavailable at the moment.

For any enquiries, kindly send us an email to [wyfhq@wyf.org.my](mailto:wyfhq@wyf.org.my) and follow us for updates at our [Facebook](#) page.

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## INTERNATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP ASSEMBLY 2015



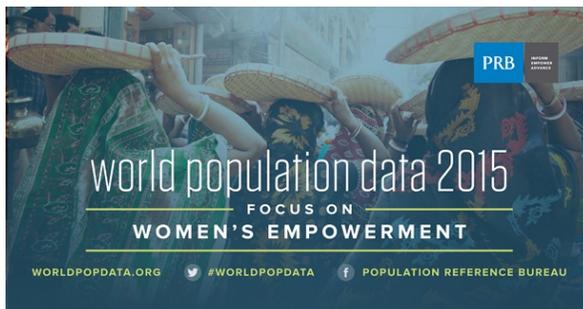
INTERNATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP  
ASSEMBLY 2015  
18TH AUGUST 2015  
UN HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK

World Youth Foundation was present at the IYLA 2015 held in the UN Headquarters, New York. We participated in the International Youth In a plenary filled with young people, a series of outstanding speakers took the stage. The fact that this year is the 70th Anniversary of the creation of the UN and also the 20th World Programme of Action for Youth, made the event extra special. All the speakers agreed on the importance of youth being part of the Post-2015 Development

Agenda, and urged them to participate, especially in its implementation. Together with the speakers of the High Level Panel - such as the John Dickson, Chairman of the Global Young Leaders Academy; Ravi Karkara, Global Advisor on Youth of UN Habitat; Federico González, Ambassador of Paraguay to the UN; Bella Heule, Executive Vice President of the World Trade Centers Association- there was a panel of youths from different countries with varied experiences on leadership. **World Youth Foundation was represented by Ms. Maria Clara Aguirre Hernando.**

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## 2015 WORLD POPULATION DATA SHEET

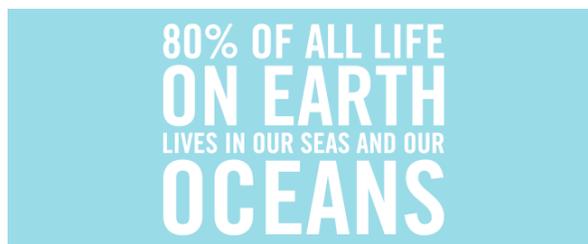


These findings are based on the 2015 edition of PRB's annual World Population Data Sheet and a related package of interactive data features, all produced by PRB and released at [worldpopdata.org](http://worldpopdata.org). This year's Data Sheet provides the latest data on 20 population, health, and environment

indicators for the world, major regions, and more than 200 countries. It includes a special set of indicators and analytical graphics aimed at assessing the state of women's empowerment globally. More information [here](#).

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## THE PRINCE OF WALES COMMONWEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS



A great opportunity to showcase the value and importance of our blue planet is coming in November 2015. The competition is open to all Commonwealth citizens (and all photographs must have been taken in a Commonwealth country). The

winning photographs will be exhibited in Malta in November 2015 at the event of the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting. **The competition runs from 8th June until 6th September.** Please see the [Entry](#) page and the [Awards](#) page for details of how you can enter and what you might win.

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## #WHATNEXT: SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO INFLUENCE CHOGM 2015



Young people from all over the Commonwealth are being asked to help set the agenda for CHOGM 2015 by participating in a social media campaign entitled #whatnext, launched at the official launch of the Commonwealth Youth Forum. The aim of the campaign is for young people to have their say on what issues should be tackled by

the Commonwealth during the biennial summit. The theme of the 2015 Commonwealth Youth Forum will be, 'Adding Global Value...#whatnext'. For more information please visit [here](#).

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## WHY MUNICIPALITIES ARE THE KEY TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE



Although history is not usually taught this way, one could argue that cities have played a more important role in shaping the world than empires. From Athens and Rome to Paris and Venice to Baghdad and Beijing, urban ideas and innovators have left indelible marks on human life. Climate change calls on societies to act quickly, and cities tend to be more nimble than national governments,

which are more likely to be captured or neutralized by special interest groups and which tend to view problems through an ideological, rather than a pragmatic, lens. Read more [here](#).

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## "GENDER EQUALITY IS EMPOWERING FOR BOTH YOUNG WOMEN AND YOUNG MEN"



"Gender equality is empowering for both young women and young men - it's a positive sum game as more balanced, and mutually respectful gender relationships, make for greater harmony, happiness and success for all," said our Deputy Executive Director Lakshmi Puri, who recently accepted the Global Generation Award on behalf of [UN Women](#). One of the most difficult to achieve areas of

transformation that the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda and UN-Women are committing to is gender equality and women's empowerment. Currently, there are 1.8

billion young people (10-24 years old) in the world. Of these, 600 million are adolescent girls and young women. Read her full speech here: [#Beijing20](http://ow.ly/R50zN)

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## EUROPEAN FILM INDUSTRY ADOPTS GENDER EQUALITY DECLARATION



Europe pledges to back efforts to promote women's access to film funding and improve their on-screen representation. Europe has weighed in on the issue of gender disparity in the film industry, adopting a declaration calling for policies to increase female representation at all levels, in front of and behind the

camera. The declaration, adopted at a conference on gender issues held during the Sarajevo Film Festival, states that "women are considerably underrepresented in key job roles in the film industry" and that a true democracy "must make full use of the skills, talents and creativity of women and men alike."

Read more [here](#).

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## QUEENSLAND'S DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STRATEGY MAY FINALLY PUT ACTION TO THE TEST



While the Queensland government's commitment to taking stronger action on domestic violence is, in many ways, playing catch-up with other states, in one crucial area it could set a new national benchmark on public accountability - to make sure

words are turned into real action. If what has now been pledged is delivered, it could be the starting point for coherent, effective and evidence-based policy, rather than today's inadequate, fragmented responses after the damage has been done. Read more [here](#).

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## IF YOU REALLY WANT TO FIGHT TERRORISM, START BY FIGHTING CHILD POVERTY



"[Poverty](#) feeds terrorism by eroding a basic human need: the need to belong. This may seem like an unlikely place to begin a conversation on terrorism, but after growing up in one of Africa's largest urban slums for most of my life, I am certain that nurturing a sense of belonging in young people through economic opportunity and the cultivation of community is essential for curbing the

spread of terrorism." Read more this article by Kennedy Oded, the Co-Founder of [Shining Hope for Communities \(SHOFCO\)](#). For more info go [here](#).

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# WHY THE UNITED NATIONS DOESN'T PAY ITS INTERNS



Given all the dark and terrible events happening around the world i.e. the plight of a 22-year-old living in a tent in Geneva may seem fairly inconsequential. And yet, the story of David Hyde - [an unpaid United Nations intern who set up camp by Lake Geneva to save money](#) - has clearly struck a chord with many all around the world. It's already had some small consequences. And yet, for many, his case highlights the U.N.'s moral inconsistency. By offering unpaid internships that can last up to six months in one of the most expensive cities in the world, the organization appears to promote a labor practice that discriminates against the poor and favors the rich. Read more [here](#).

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## SOLUTIONS SUMMIT



The Solutions Summit is a catalytic gathering that will take place on Sunday, September 27th, 2015 at UN Headquarters in New York City. The event is timed to follow the conclusion of the 3-day high-level UN General Assembly Summit to adopt the Post-2015 Development Agenda. The purpose of the Solutions Summit is two-fold

1. to make visible, and lift-up exceptional innovators -- technologists, engineers, scientists, and others -- who are developing solutions that address one or more of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and
2. to catalyze a grassroots effort, where communities scout and convene resources around solution-makers. Please share and spread the word!

More details at [www.solutions-summit.org](http://www.solutions-summit.org)

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## EVENTS

### GLOBAL YOUTH CONSULTATION FOR THE WORLD HUMANITARIAN SUMMIT (WHS)

Website: [https://www.worldhumanitariansummit.org/whs\\_youth](https://www.worldhumanitariansummit.org/whs_youth)

### 9th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "LANGUAGE, INDIVIDUAL & SOCIETY"

Website: [www.sciencebg.net/en](http://www.sciencebg.net/en)

### WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT INFORMATION 2015

Website: [www.worldhealthsummit.org](http://www.worldhealthsummit.org)

### 9th UNESCO YOUTH FORUM 2015

Website: <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/social-and-human-sciences/themes/youth/youth-forums/9th-unesco-youth-forum-2015>

### 3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON YOUTH 2015 (ICYOUTH 2015)

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

### 2nd WORLD CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS EDUCATION

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

**10th REGIONAL CONGRESS - SEARCH FOR SEAMEO SCIENCE YOUNG  
SCIENTISTS "YOUTH INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY"**

Website: <http://www.recsam.edu.my/index.php/events/ssys>

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