



# "Youth at the Forefront: Leveraging Science and Social Inclusion for Sustainable Development"

*Engaging Youth and Member States Representatives*

15 - 17 April 2025

## DRAFT PROGRAMME

### FIRST DAY

**TUESDAY**  
15 APRIL

#### **WORKING WITH AND FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: SHAPING INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS FOR THE 2030 AGENDA**

– Trusteeship Chamber  
*(Lead entities: UNDESA, UNYO, MGCY and ICMYO)*

Opening Session

10:00 AM – 10:40 AM

Moderated conversation: Youth-Led Solutions for a Resilient Future (Discussions with young leaders from around the world)

10:40 AM – 11:30 AM

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#### **SDG 3: YOUTH AND HEALTH - OVERCOMING CHALLENGES AND STAYING HEALTHY**

– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber  
*UN co-leads: World Health Organization (WHO);  
Youth co-leads: WHO Youth Council (Commonwealth Health Youth Network; International Federation of Medical Students' Association (IFMSA); and International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF));  
Global Youth Caucus;  
UN co-organizers: UN Population Fund (UNFPA); UN Children's Fund (UNICEF); UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC); Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS);*

*Youth co-organizers: ICPD Youth Platform.*

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**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

**#GlobalGoals #SDG3 #HealthForAll**

**1:00 PM – 3:00 PM: SIDE EVENTS**

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## **SDG 5: EMPOWERED YOUNG WOMEN - ADVANCING GENDER EQUALITY**

**– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber**

*UN co-lead: UN Women*

*Youth co-lead: Gender Youth Caucus*

*UN co-organizers: Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions (ORLSI)/Department of Peace Operation (DPO); United Nations Alliance of Civilization (UNAOC)*

*Youth co-organizers: World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM); UNCCD Youth Caucus.*

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**3:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

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## **SDG 14: YOUTH FOR SUSTAINABLE OCEANS - MOBILIZATION AND ACTIONS**

**– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber**

*UN co-leads: UNDESA*

*Youth co-leads: Oceans Youth Constituency; Chemicals & Waste Youth Program*

*UN co-organizers: UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)*

*Youth co-organizers: Children and Youth Constituency of the UNFCCC (YOUNGO).*

**4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

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**-END OF THE FIRST DAY-**

## SECOND DAY

**WEDNESDAY**  
16 APRIL  
(VIRTUAL)

### **CONNECTING, AMPLIFYING, AND LEVERAGING – VIRTUAL NETWORKING SESSION FOR YOUNG CHANGEMAKERS**

Virtual connection: TBC  
*Lead entities: MGCY and ICMYO*

8:30 AM – 9:45 AM

Participants to the ECOSOC Youth Forum would be invited to attend a VIRTUAL networking session organized around discussion groups facilitated by moderators.

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**WEDNESDAY**  
16 APRIL

### **YOUTH PERSPECTIVES ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT – CHALLENGES, PRIORITIES AND ACTIONS FOR THE SDGs**

*Breakout sessions with youth representatives  
Government officials*

The regional breakout sessions will help identify the development needs for youth at the regional level and consider how best to articulate and mainstream them in the context of achieving the SDGs. These sessions may build on the outcomes of youth consultations, fora, and other forms of youth engagement as part of the regional SDG review processes hosted by the various UN Regional Commissions.

#### **ASIA AND THE PACIFIC – Conference Room TBC**

*UN co-leads: UN ESCAP, UNDP  
Youth co-leads: Asia Pacific Youth Caucus; Pacific Youth Council  
Youth co-organizers: SAARC Youth Platform.*

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

#### **ARAB STATES REGION – Conference Room TBC**

*UN co-leads: UN ESCWA; UNDP  
Youth co-leads: Arab Youth Platform for Sustainable Development-West Asia Regional Caucus  
Youth co-organizers: Global Youth Health Caucus - International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation Pan American Regional Office (IPSF PARO).*

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

#### **LATIN AMERICA – Conference Room TBC**

*UN co-leads: UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)  
Youth co-leads: LAC Regional Youth Caucus; Children Adolescents and Youth LAC Group (MeSCLAC).*

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

## **EUROPE, NORTH AMERICA AND OTHER STATES - Conference Room TBC**

*UN co-leads: United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE); Youth co-leads: European Students Forum (AEGEE); Youth Environment Europe (YEE)  
Youth co-organizers: Soroptimist International.*

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

## **AFRICA - Conference Room TBC**

*UN co-leads: UN Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)  
Youth co-leads: Africa Youth Commission on behalf of the African Regional Youth Caucus.*

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

## **THE CARIBBEAN – Conference Room TBC**

*UN co-leads: UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)  
Youth co-leads: Caribbean Regional Youth Council (Global Focal Point).*

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

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## **1:00 PM – 3:00 PM: SIDE EVENTS**

**WEDNESDAY  
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### **#YOUTHLEAD FROM LOCAL TO GLOBAL: MEANINGFUL YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN POLICYMAKING & DECISION-MAKING**

– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber

*UN co-leads: UN Youth Office (UNYO)*

*Youth co-leads: MGCY & ICMYO Focal Points to Youth2030 JWG & HLSC.*

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**3:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

- 1. Core Principles of Meaningful Youth Participation**

**3:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

- 2. Meaningful Youth Participation in Action**

**4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

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**END OF THE SECOND DAY-**

## THIRD DAY

THURSDAY  
17 APRIL

### SDG 8: ENSURING DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber

*UN co-leads: International Labour Organization (ILO)*

*Youth co-leads: Global Youth Caucus for Decent Work and Sustainable Economies*

*UN co-organizers: Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO); UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA); UN Development Programme (UNDP); UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO); UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)*

*Youth co-organizers: SCP Youth Constituency; IFMSA; UNCCD Youth Caucus.*

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10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

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### SDG 17: FINANCING OUR FUTURE - ADVANCING GROWTH THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber

*UN co-leads: International Labour Organization (ILO)*

*Youth co-leads: FfD Youth Constituency; Global Youth Caucus for Decent Work and Sustainable Economies*

*UN co-organizers: Financing for Sustainable Development Office (FSDO)/DESA; Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR); UN Environment Programme (UNEP)*

*Youth co-organizers: Migration Youth & Children Platform (MYCP); UNCCD Youth Caucus.*

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11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

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1:00 PM – 3:00 PM: SIDE EVENTS

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### EMPOWERING AND ENGAGING YOUNG PEOPLE: THE EVOLVING ROLE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

– Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber

*UN co-leads: International Telecommunication Union (ITU)*

*Youth co-lead: SPI Youth Platform*

*Co-organizers: UN Foundation.*

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3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

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## WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: YOUTH SOLUTIONS FOR AN INCLUSIVE FUTURE

- Plenary meeting, Trusteeship Chamber

*UN co-leads: UNDESA*

*Youth co-leads: Global Youth Initiative on Social Inclusion*

*Youth co-organizers: International Movement of Catholic Students (IMCS/MIEC).*

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4:30 PM – 5:45 PM

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## CLOSING SESSION OF THE ECOSOC YOUTH FORUM





- Trusteeship Chamber

*Lead entity: UNDESA, UNYO, MGCY; and ICMYO*

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5:45 PM – 6:00 PM

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-  Opening and Closing sessions
-  Plenary sessions
-  Breakout sessions
-  Additional activity