



## Youth Development Administration, Ministry of Education

### 2017 Global Youth Trends Forum

### -Youth Initiatives for Sustainable Development

Taipei, Republic of China  
October 24<sup>th</sup>- October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017

### OFFICIAL INVITATION

Dear Sir or Madam,

On behalf of the Ministry of Education, Youth Development Administration of the Republic of China, we would like to formally invite a delegation (6–8 members, including 1 chief delegate who is a representative of youth affairs organization, and 5–7 young people age 18–30.) from your organization to participate in the 2017 Global Youth Trends Forum-Youth Initiatives for Sustainable Development being held from October 24 to 31, 2017, in Taipei, Republic of China, to promote youth affairs exchange.

Your country has made giant strides in many fields, especially in youth development. Likewise, the Youth Development Administration has constructed a vision for the development of our young people, to help them develop holistically in positive ways. We are energetically involved in youth development policy work, youth career guidance promotion, public participation, international participation, experiential learning, and other youth development programs. (For more details, please visit our website <http://www.yda.gov.tw/content/messagess/contents.aspx?siteid=563655426603362361&MmmID=563655430726144636>)

Although your esteemed organization and the Youth Development Administration are oceans apart, we both care for young people. Hence, we are fully confident that the event will be substantial and effectively strengthen the relationship between our organizations. We are sure that this event will allow us to make more friends with people from around the world. We have arranged a series of activities between October 24<sup>th</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup>, including the two-day seminar (details are attached). For example, in-depth discussions for the youth from various countries to participate in the breakout sessions; and visits to youth organizations and travel spots of the Youth Development Administration. We expect that



the farewell dinner with performances by the young international guests will be a major highlight of the forum!

Key information about the forum:

- The official language of the forum is English.
- We will provide full hospitality, including scheduled activities, accommodation, insurance, meals, and transportation during your stay in the Republic of China, but the participants are responsible for their travel expenses to and from the Republic of China.
- Each national delegation should consist of 6–8 people: 1 chief delegate who is a representative or leader of youth affairs organization, and 5–7 young people aged between 18 and 30 with experience in sustainable development.
- The 5–7 young people should prepare a 5-minute performance of culture to present at the farewell dinner.
- Preparation for the forum:

A. Culture Exhibition

A booth with a notebook computer will be provided for each country in the forum venue to promote its culture and youth policies. Each delegation will prepare showpieces in advance, set up the stand the evening before the forum and the morning before registration. Present them after registration in the first morning of the forum. The showpieces can be delivered to us in advance if necessary.

B. Workshop Presentation

The “Workshop” is a breakout session that is devoted to the discussion of the 3 core topics of the forum. Each topic will be presented by three or four delegations of the session for 20 minutes each. A 20-minute discussion on the topic will follow each presentation. The 3 topics will continue to be discussed during the next day’s “Topic Summit” breakout session, and the results of the discussion will be presented as “Youth Initiative Proposal”. (For more details, please refer to the attached Forum Program”)



The following explains the concept of the topics.

Topics	Description
<b>Topic I: Develop civic competence that promotes justice and active participation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Overview: One of the United Nations sustainable development goals is to make every individual acquire fundamental knowledge and skills, including sustainable development for education human rights, gender equality, global citizenship, appreciation of cultural diversity, and so on. Thus, it is clear that developing the civic competence of justice, and active participation enthusiastically in public affairs is a highly concerned policy priority around the world.</li><li>■ Sharing: What actions have been taken? What are the important policies? What resources does our government provide?</li><li>■ Discussion: How do we develop civic competence that promotes justice and active participation as young people? What are the obstacles and solutions?</li></ul>
<b>Topic II: The key action to combat climate change and its impacts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Overview: In recent years, environmental degradation and climate change result from economic development and industrialization has been highly visible on the global scale. Many countries have set relevant targets in their sustainable development goals.</li><li>■ Sharing: What actions have been taken? What are the important policies? What resources does our government provide?</li><li>■ Discussion: How do we combat climate change and its impacts as young people? What are the obstacles and solutions?</li></ul>
<b>Topic III: A good habit to help the earth— Green Consumption</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Overview: In the face of environmental degradation and climate change, one of the actions we can take is to implement green consumption. When it comes to green consumption, it is essential to look at different production models, waste prevention and the sustainable planning and use of human and tourism resources.</li><li>■ Sharing: What actions have been taken? What are the important policies? What resources does our government provide?</li><li>■ Discussion: How do we promote and implement green consumption as young people? What are the obstacles and solutions?</li></ul>



Please indicate if you will be able to response to this invitation and send us the registration form by Jun. 30, 2017. For more information, please contact us at [domolo@mail.yda.gov.tw](mailto:domolo@mail.yda.gov.tw).

Your contribution to the forum would definitely benefit all the participants.

We look forward to seeing you in Taipei!

Sincerely,

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