

Global Youth Leadership Summit

Global Youth Parliament (in short GYP) is a non-profitable, non-political, social organization not affiliated to any religious sectors. GYP headquarter is in Nepal. Now, we have a country coordinator in 81 countries all around the world. Our work mainly focuses on the theme of leadership, entrepreneurship, peace, good governance, democracy and constructive dialogue, inclusive policy formulations, sustainable peace and equitable development. GYP aims to build national, regional as well as global forum for dialogue and advocacy on the theme that needs immediate and longer term global attention like leadership, entrepreneurship, democracy and good governance, socially responsible trade practices, active citizenship, cultural exchanges and sustainable development and peace. GYP believes that the youth of the world must come together and join hands to achieve the sustainable solutions for greater world community.

On this background, GYP has for the last seven years regularly organized programs and activities surrounding these issues mainly focusing on gathering youth opinions and supporting other similar initiatives through our idea innovation workshops.

Our milestone event up-to-date was "Youth SAARC Regional Conference 2017" organized past April 24-25 in Kathmandu. This South Asian regional conference of youths hosted representatives from more than 13 nations that actively participated in the conference. Several observers and delegates from Kathmandu based diplomatic missions were also present in the conference. The conference has also declared 5-points "Youth SAARC Declaration". And another milestone event was "Global Youth Peace Conference 2018" organized past January 13 and 14 January in Kathmandu. 33 countries were participated and the conference has also declared 7-points "Kathmandu Declaration". And others milestone event was "Asian Youth Assembly 2018", "Global Youth Leadership Summit 2019", "2nd SAARC Youth Regional Conference 2019" (Bangladesh), "ASEAN Youth Leadership Summit 2019" (Philippines) and "Global youth Leadership Summit 2020" (Virtual).

In these contextual settings, GYP is currently organized "Global youth Leadership Summit 2021" on 18 and 21 November.



GLOBAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Global Youth Leadership Summit 2021

Kathmandu Declaration



We the young people of the world gathered at the **Global Youth Leadership Summit 2021**, join our voices and efforts to uphold the value of youth leadership multilateralism and re-commit ourselves to seeking global solutions for global problems, including but not limited to, achieving the targets set forth in the **United Nations 2030 Agenda** for Sustainable Development. We ratify our commitments with the development of our countries and are determined to provide the leadership that the world needs.

Youth, with our unique capacities and vibrant energy, are propelling humanity's movement towards a new future. Today, millions of families are still trapped in extreme poverty, struggling to access even basic resources like education, healthcare and employment. Today, a quarter of the world's youth still live in the shadows of violent conflict, everything from wars to human trafficking to substance abuse threaten to steal the promise of our tomorrow. And today, all on the planet earth are impacted by environmental degradation, communities of people and creatures are endangered by pollution, climate change, sea-level rising, and many other byproducts of human development. If we don't join in concerted action now, we may not have an earth to live on tomorrow.

The young generations recognize that there is great power in collective actions for local, regional, global and global solutions to weave a new tapestry of economic, technological, environmental and social life that can drive humanity's evolution towards collective prosperity. We have power in numbers and when united, can demand immense change. We the Youth are taking the lead and contributing our expertise, energy, experience, passion, and creativity in implementing global solutions. It is in this spirit that we set forth this Declaration of our shared visions, commitments, and recommendations.



Visions



We the Youth are united in our vision for a peaceful and sustainable world. Together we affirm that:



1. We are committed to work in partnership with government, private sector and civil societies to create peaceful societies around the world.
2. We will continue to work together and undertake sustainable actions that can benefit all of humanity; we will continue to work towards ending conflict, countering violence and building sustainable and lasting peace.
3. We share responsibility for our planet, strive to live in harmony with nature, and must work to minimize the human-made effects of climate change.
4. We must create socio-economic systems that can provide for the well-being of all, ensuring that development does not take precedence over the health of people and the planet.
5. We are one in our humanity, with natural and inalienable human rights, including the right to determine our future; civic participation must also be a right ensured to all.
6. We are committed to remove all forms of discrimination against sex, gender, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic status, religion, physical appearance, political affiliation, other-able individuals, which are all counterproductive to progress.
7. We must be included in decision-making at all levels of political processes and structured mechanisms for youth participation must be incorporated into all public institutions.



Commitments



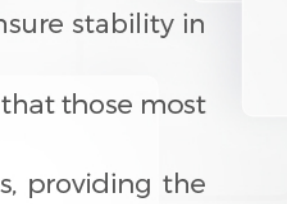
We pledge to commit our abilities, efforts, and heart to:



1. The commitment to professionalize activism and political participation is essential, through education, partnership and the sharing of good practice.
2. Increase awareness of and work persistently towards the accomplishment of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, their corresponding targets, and the commitments set forth in the Global Youth Leadership Summit 2021.
3. Become active global citizens supporting our peers across their spectrum of needs, from ending poverty in all dimensions, supporting women and girls, to quests for public office and other leadership positions in service of the community. We also proactively demand space for youth in all public forums.
4. Become more conscious of the effects of our own consumption activities and make responsible decisions in our daily lives that can help in achieving Agenda 2030.
5. Increase awareness and advocate for human rights in our work, honor all life with respect, and join together to fight the injustices committed against youth across the world.
6. We are committed to promote youth to youth cooperation aligning it with North-South and South-South Cooperation.
7. Serve as open partners, sharing our technology, information, knowledge and skills with those who can benefit from them and creating opportunities for intergenerational partnerships, learning from friends and spreading best practices.
8. Help create safe spaces of expression for those who are left out of the existing political system, including but not limited to residents of conflict-ridden areas, migrants, displaced people, refugees, stateless people, and other groups in vulnerable situations.
9. Draw on our advantageous position as youth to facilitate peace building, reconciliation, and the cultivation of new communities.

Recommendations

Fully understanding that in order to achieve a paradigm shift, we need more than just personal action. We abide with the principles and recommendations of the United Nations along with the Global Youth Leadership Summit 2021. By resonating the hopes of youth around the world, we, with a unified voice, call upon:



1. States and other entities committed in multilateral agreements to deliver their promises and to be trustworthy partners to ensure stability in the rules-based international order.
2. States and non-state actors to augment diversity and inclusion across all spectra in their decision-making process, making sure that those most impacted are part of the deliberations, understanding that superficial tokenism does not foster true partnership.
3. States to ensure access to quality and culturally-relevant education for all, reaching even the most vulnerable communities, providing the materials and knowledge to cultivate independent learners.
4. States to integrate Agenda 2030 into all facets of their education curricula, considering informal, non-formal, experiential, service-based and interdisciplinary education as emphasized elements of the learning experience.
5. States to consciously design their education systems to enhance global citizenship by fostering inclusivity, developing leadership, and encouraging innovation and creativity in youth.
6. States to address youth unemployment as a priority by investing in workforce development, creating green jobs, internships, and apprenticeships, supporting entrepreneurship; and to implement effective workplace policies to protect youth from exploitation.
7. Everyone to consider environmental consequences, including those affecting life on land, life below water, and the global climate, and to prioritize the use of renewable energy and technology.
8. All levels of government to dedicate time, space, and resources to develop localized plans that achieve the targets of the SDGs.



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OUR PREVIOUS SUMMITS

SAARC Youth Conference 2017:

"Revitalizing South Asian Integration via Youth Engagement of sustainable Development:

Altogether 55 foreign delegates, young leaders, innovators and activists from SAARC region and observers from additional five countries participated in the conference. The conference issued the Kathmandu Declaration in the presence of over 55 delegates from South Asian countries. Advocacy, development, governance and economy were four major themes discussed during the conference. It highlighted that geographical diversity was the major strength of South Asia where people with diverse cultures could easily survive.



Global Youth Peace Conference 2018:

"Youth Involvement for Sustainable Peace & Equitable Development to achieve SDGs."

The Global Youth Peace Conference-2018, organized with the objective of deliberating on the common issues of the youth throughout the world. One hundred thirty youth activists from 35 countries.



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Asian Youth Assembly 2018:

Revitalizing Asian Youth Integration for Climate Change in the era of SDGs.

The Assembly has been devoted to the theme "Revitalizing Asian Youth Integration for Climate Change in the era of SDGs". Young Leaders and delegates from 27 countries representing different regions around the world participated in the conference. The assembly came up with the Kathmandu Declaration 2018 to ensure the meaningful role of young people in issues of climate change.



Global Youth Leadership Summit 2019:

Global Youth Leadership Summit 2019 gathered 65 delegates, young leaders, innovators and diplomats from 45 countries. The major areas of thematic discussion were youth leadership, political participation, entrepreneurship, global action, climate change and young innovation.



OUR PREVIOUS SUMMITS

South Asian Youth Conference 2019:

Youth For Global Goals- We shine together

Global Youth Parliament along with Global Law Thinkers Society (Bangladesh) organized the South Asian Youth Conference in Dhaka Bangladesh. Youth leaders who are active in different genres in the South Asian region were facilitated and wider discussion was held on the themes of youth leadership development, sustainable development, professional leadership, tourism, education, health, justice & technology. The conference would also adopt declaration incorporating the themes



ASEAN Leadership Summit 2019:

"ASEAN Youth Leadership Summit 2019" gathered young leaders, innovators, peacemakers, youth activists and civil society pioneers from around the South East Asian region in a single forum to share their contributions, experiences, and knowledge on pertinent regional as well as global issues.

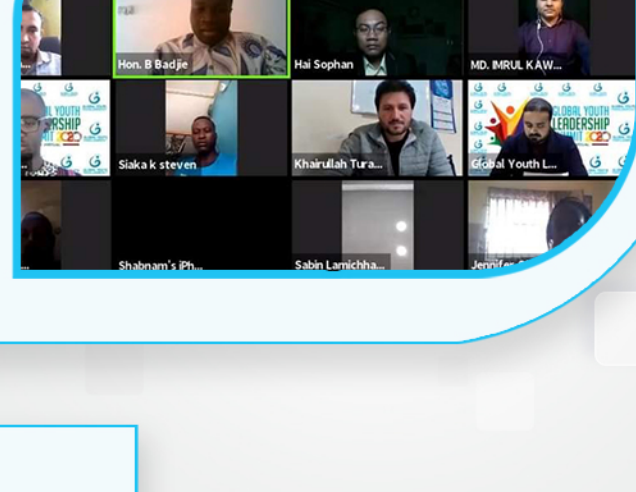


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Global Youth Leadership Summit 2020 (Virtual):

"Global Youth Leadership Summit 2020 (Virtual)" connected more than 400 young leaders, innovators, peacemakers, youth activists, and civil society pioneers from around the 80 countries gathered in a single forum to share their contributions, experiences, and knowledge on pertinent global issues through virtual platform.

"Global Youth Leadership Summit 2020" was more than a summit. It was the platform for young leaders from around the world to share and learn about the best practices through mutual learning on ideas and initiatives of advocacy tools to achieve sustainable development goals from the youth perspective and encourage youth to lobby them in their own respective governments.



Global Youth Leadership Summit 2021:

104 young leaders, diplomats, educators, innovators and global leaders gathered together from 27 countries in the single forum. The youth leaders who have been playing significant roles for the transformation of the regions in diverse fields were felicitated by the Hon. Vice President of Nepal. The summit consisted of seven thematic sessions on sustaining peace agenda, entrepreneurship, impact of COVID-19, innovation, education system and integration of young people in attainment of sustainable development goals.

