

Call for Applications

Workshop in Frankfurt, Germany
November 2017:

Establishing a UN Youth Delegate Programme in countries of the Global South

Application and Background



Workshop on Establishing a UN Youth Delegate Programme in countries of the Global South

Application Process

The United Nations Association of Germany (UNA Germany) is delighted to announce the call for applications for a workshop on **Establishing a United Nations Youth Delegate Programme in countries of the Global South**. The workshop will support 6 young people from countries of the Global South with an active UNA/UNYA but without UN Youth Delegate Programme to start UN Youth Delegate Programmes in their respective countries. Travel, accommodation and meal costs will be covered.

The aims of the workshop are:

- To provide information and guidance on how to establish a UN Youth Delegate Programme in your home country;
- To discuss how to involve young people from your home country in the international development policy and decision-making agenda;
- To establish a network of active young people in the Global South;
- To support youth participation and activities in your countries.

This workshop will support young people to be agents of change. The goal is to empower them to be active global citizens contributing to building a world of justice, equity, and dignity.

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Applicants should be:

- Between the ages of 18 – 25 years (in November 2017);
- Committed to youth participation;
- Interested in international affairs, particularly in youth issues;
- Passionate about solving the world's most pressing problems and working to engage young people in this important agenda;
- Residents of a country in the Global South with an active UNA/UNYA*;
- Able to travel to Frankfurt, Germany, for up to a week in November 2017



Skill and qualification requirements:

- Be a self-starter;
- Civil society engagement, preferably in the area of youth participation;
- Support from the UNA/UNYA in your home country*;
- Knowledge of international current affairs;
- Proven ability to work collaboratively with others – senior NGO or government reps, young people, etc.
- Fluency in English;
- Excellent writing, communication, organisational, and interpersonal skills
- Culturally competent.

We strive for gender balance and strongly encourage applications from women.

Submitting Application:

All information must be transmitted via our online-form on www.dgyn.de/homepage by **5 p.m. CET on August 24, 2017**. Your application should include the following:

A. Personal/Contact Details:

- Your Last Name, First Name
- Contact address
- E-mail address
- Phone number
- Language skills

B. Brief Statement on relevant experiences:

- Your educational qualifications/experiences
- Your volunteer experiences

C. Letter of Motivation

D. Brief Analysis (max. 2 pages): “Opportunities and Challenges of Establishing a Youth Delegate Programme in my country”

D. Letter of support from the UNA/UNYA in your country*



Background

***UNAs** are national civil society organizations that provide a link between the citizens of the world and the United Nations by seeking to ensure that the UN is relevant to the lives of the peoples it exists to serve. UNAs have different programs and a variety of constituencies, such as individual members, member organizations, and partner schools and universities. Find out about the UNA in your country here: <http://www.wfuna.org/worldwide-members>.

Please note: There is no UNA/UNYA in your country? Why not starting one? If you are interested in establishing a UNA, the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA) can support you. There are already many examples of successful UNAs who were started by young people committed to the aims of the United Nations in various countries worldwide!
Please send an email to WFUNA at youth@wfuna.org

Of 193 member states, less than 30 member states have a **Youth Delegate Programme in place, even though the UN General Assembly has repeatedly called on Member States to consider including youth representatives in the delegations to the UN General Assembly and other important UN meetings (first starting in 1981: A/Res/36/17)**. In 1995, Member States of the United Nations committed once again to increase youth participation at the international level with the adoption of the World Programme of Action for Youth (WPAY, A/Res/50/81). The WPAY invites Member States once again to send youth representatives with their delegations to the General Assembly, hence including youth in decision making-processes. Find out more about the Youth Delegate Programme to the United Nations through our [WFUNA Youth Delegate Programme Multipliers](#) Carina and Alexander and visit <http://www.wfuna.org/youth>.