CLIMATE DIPLOMACY PROGRAMME

COFFEE BREAK

19 MARCH 2021
We are working towards meaningful youth participation for a just, equitable and sustainable world for all
- Climate Diplomacy Week (CDW)
- Young Researchers Symposium and Mentorship Programme (YRS)
- Youth Climate Action Plan (YCAP)
- Young Reporters for the Environment (YRE)
- Podcast and Social Media Engagement
- **Youth Engagement During Event**
  Daily Social Media and Participation
  Speakers in Adaptation Day and Just Transition Session

- **Youth Dialogue**
  Youth Statement Presentation during Closing Event
- Skills Workshop, Tutoring support Sep 2020-Dec 2020

- Young Researchers Symposium National Presentations Dec 2020

3 top high school individual researchers
3 top high school team researchers
3 top university student/out-of-school youth researchers
- Research Skills Workshop Feb 2021
- Young Researchers to publish work in some form
- Youth-led research to be included in the national Youth Climate Action Plan
- Podcast Workshop March 2021
- Storytelling Workshop March 2021
- National leadership group moving forward with episode planning and development
Youth Climate Action Plan Presentation

Youth Policy Committee Welcome Workshop
1. Inspired by the lived experiences of the city’s young people

2. A policy document to create policy responsiveness to climate change.

3. Ensuring that climate-action oriented approaches are integrated and intersectional.

WHAT IS THE YCAP ALL ABOUT?

GLOBAL CHANGE Institute

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Aims of the YCAP:
• Use youth participation as tool to catalyze climate action
• To Ensure that youth voices are heard and are not seen tokenistically
• Improve capacity of poor communities and marginalized groups to adapt to climate change
• To realize that climate justice and social justice are linked to each other
• Ensure that there is a just and equitable transition
Johannesburg envisioned by young leaders:

- Accountable
- Safe
- Educated
- Anti-Capitalist
- Climate-Action Oriented
- Innovative
- Decolonized
- Sustainable
YCAP Principles

- Intersectionality
- Systemic change
- Just Transition
- Leadership and advocacy
- Innovation
- Accessibility & Sustainability
Foreword from the Youth

We are in a situation of urgency, severity and scope never before faced by humankind. So far, our response isn’t anywhere close to adequate. But you already know that. You know it in your gut, in your bones. We are each part of the planet’s living systems, knitted together with almost 7.7 billion human beings and 1.8 million known species. We can feel the connections between us. We can feel the brokenness and the closing window to heal it. This earth, our home, is telling us that a better way of being must emerge, and fast. The science is clear. According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, we need to limit the rise in global temperature to 1.5°C by 2030. We are already experiencing the effects of climate change, with vulnerable communities experiencing the effects more severely. The time to act is now!
Some Years
After Global Warming...

Rose?
- Joburg YCAP update
- Plans for the National YCAP Process
- National Youth Climate Action Conference
- Roundtable discussions with various stakeholder (e.g. NBI, Presidential Climate Commission)
- Exchange with We Are TMRW and UK Youth for COP 26