

Generation Connect Youth Envoys Terms of Engagement

The role of Generation Connect Youth Envoys is to mainly support on a voluntary basis the national, regional, and global work on ICT related issues for young people including through engaging in projects for youth empowerment through ICTs and in any other activities that promote educational and socioeconomic empowerment. They can also support by sharing their own expertise and opinions within national, regional and global meetings, events and forums in the understanding that their contributions reflect their personal perspectives, and these cannot be interpreted as official positions of their countries or the ITU. As changemakers they can also engage with ITU's work on ICTs-related opportunities and challenges within their region and beyond to advance the global agenda of a sustainable and inclusive digital future.

Background: Between December 2020 and June 2021, ITU created six Generation Connect Regional Youth Envoy Groups:

- Generation Connect Africa (GC-AFR)
- Generation Connect Americas (GC-AMS)
- Generation Connect Asia and the Pacific (GC-ASP)
- Generation Connect Arab States (GC-ARB)
- Generation Connect Commonwealth and Independent States (GC-CIS)
- Generation Connect Europe (GC-EUR)

In the build-up to the ITU World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-22), Generation Connect Youth Envoys contributed to their respective WTDC Regional Preparatory Meetings. The Youth Envoys co-designed and participated in the inaugural Generation Connect Global Youth Summit. Generation Connect Youth Envoys continue to engage in ITU initiatives online and offline, bringing unique youth perspectives, while championing youth voice in the digital development dialogue.

Terms of Engagement: Generation Connect Youth Envoys are invited to:

1. Co-design /engage/participate in the implementation of relevant regional and global initiatives, projects and events roundtables; consultation groups; events; trainings; workshops and webinars.
2. Amplify and champion the work of Generation Connect in diverse youth communities, through promotion of and active participation in relevant ITU projects and initiatives.
3. Be authentic and honest digital young leaders by proactively contributing ideas and sharing any feedback with the Generation Connect team.
4. Be respectful members of the Generation Connect community by recognising and respecting the diversity of ideas and opinions, and maintaining political neutrality in all contributions, focusing only on the scope of themes defined by the ITU.

Generation Connect Youth Envoys could be eligible for the following:

1. Skills-building and internship opportunities and training.
2. Access to networking platforms and opportunities with Generation Connect Youth Envoys from their region and from other ITU regions.
3. Support in the implementation of national, regional and/or global activities.
4. Participation in selected Generation Connect external youth events, regional and global and ITU events and initiatives.
5. Virtual participation in any upcoming Generation Connect Global Youth Summit(s)