



Public Forum of the Ninth IPSI Global Conference

Reshaping Our Future: Youth Empowerment and Contribution to Living in Harmony with Nature

Date: Saturday 8 July 2023, 13:30 – 17:30 (JST)

Organised by: United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS); the Global Youth Biodiversity Network (GYBN); Akita International University (AIU); and the Ministry of the Environment, Japan.

Venue: Suda Hall, Akita International University

Programme	
MC: Keita Kohno and Kaede Sato (Students, AIU)	
13:30 20 min	<p style="text-align: center;">OPENING REMARKS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Shinobu Yume Yamaguchi (Director, UNU-IAS) ● Monte Cassim (President, AIU) <p><i>Video message</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Christian Schwarzer (Co-founder, GYBN)
13:50 15 min	<p style="text-align: center;">KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Role of the Satoyama Initiative for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework Alexandra Franco (Communications Associate, UNU-IAS/IPSI Secretariat) ● The Power of Youth in the Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework Melina Sakiyama (Co-Founder, GYBN)
14:05 15 min	
14:20 20 min	<p style="text-align: center;">INTERACTIVE ICEBREAKER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">What is a good example of youth engagement?</p> <p>Moderators: Andrea Morales (GYBN) and Shrutti Knottily (GYBN)</p>

<p>14:40 50 min</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1st PANEL SESSION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The potential of youth engagement for SEPLS and intergenerational knowledge transfer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Katsuki Onishi (President, Akita Satoyama Design) ● Kien To Dang (Program Coordinator, Social Policy Ecology Research Institute) ● Nutdanai Trakansuphakon (Co-ordinator, Pgakenyaw Association for Sustainable Development) ● Jasmine Black (JSPS Researcher, University of Tokyo and UN University) ● Griselda Alvarado (GYBN LAC) <p>Q&A</p> <p>Moderators: Alexandra Franco (UNU-IAS) and Christian Schwarzer (Co-founder, GYBN)</p>
<p>15:30 15 min</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BREAK AND NETWORKING SESSION</p>
<p>15:45 50 min</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2nd PANEL SESSION:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Barriers for youth engagement and a way forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Daksh Beeharry Panray (Vice President and Project Leader, Environmental Protection and Conservation Organisation) ● Hsi-Chun Chen (Engineer, Soil and Water Conservation Bureau, Council of Agriculture Executive Yuan) ● Paulina Karimova (Post-doc Researcher, National Dong Hwa University) ● Naohisa Okuda (Senior Advisor, Ministry of the Environment Japan) ● Irene Natukunda (GYBN Uganda) <p>Q&A</p> <p>Moderators: Yoji Natori (Associate Professor, AIU) and Shruthi Kottillil (GYBN)</p>
<p>16:35 30 min</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPEN-MIC SESSION:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Intergenerational dialogue</p> <p>Moderators: Irene Natukunda (GYBN) and Christian Schwarzer (Co-founder, GYBN)</p>

17:05	<p style="text-align: center;">CLOSING REMARKS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Kazuhiko Takeuchi (President, Institute for Global Environmental Studies / Visiting Professor, UNU-IAS)● Irene Natukunda (GYBN)● Akitoshi Inoue (Student, AIU)● [TBC] Alfred Oteng-Yeboah (Chair, Ghana National Biodiversity Committee)
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