

Generation Connect
Africa Youth Group



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Asia and the Pacific Youth Group



Commonwealth of Independent States
Youth Group



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Amplifying Youth Voices in Digital Development
June 2023



Engage, Empower, Participate!

Generation Connect is the overarching initiative of the ITU Youth Strategy.

Generation Connect aims to engage global youth and encourage their participation as equal partners alongside the leaders of today's digital change, empowering young people with the skills and opportunities to advance their vision of a connected future.

ITU Member States have mandated the digital engagement and empowerment of young people through Generation Connect - updated resolutions 76 (WTDC Kigali, 2022) and 198 (PP Bucharest, 2022).



Global Initiatives

- ITU Youth Task force
- Generation Connect Digital Learning Certificate
- Generation Connect Podcast
- Ongoing partnership with the Kofi Annan Changemakers programme
- Virtual Participation/Side Events: ECOSOC Youth Forum, World Food Forum, YOUNGA
- Physical Participation/Side Events: IGF, MISK Global Forum, LDC5
- Participating in ITU Events: PP-22, TDAG, ITU-D Study Groups, RDFs, AI For Good
- Continued YOUTH 2030 collaboration with the UN Youth Envoys' Office, UNESCO, and other UN Organisations on youth digital engagement initiatives and reports.

Regional Engagement

180 Generation Connect Youth Envoys in 120 Countries

Generation Connect Global Youth Summit, June 2022

Preceding WTDC, 5000 youth participated physically, virtually & via 70+ hubs



Virtual Community

3000+ youth

Global Engagement

17 Generation Connect Visionaries Board Members

Generation Connect Visionaries Board

 Betsy G Single, Singapore & UNHCR Ambassador	 Bekirullah Adnan Digital Technology Experts & Founder	 Vigneshwar Rishi Ganganarapu Engineer & Founder	 Raman Gajiyev Start-up Founder & Facilitator	 Ledy Marlene James Founder & CEO of IremCode	 Mushaha Mtsamai Development Practitioner	 Othman Almosafer Researcher & Policy Practitioner
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- #1: Strengthen the long-term sustainability and engagement of the Generation Connect Regional Youth Envoys.
- #2: Increase the active engagement of the Generation Connect Visionaries Board.
- #3: Continue to identify opportunities for young people to learn about the ITU, and to meaningfully engage across ITU events, activities, and initiatives.
- #4: Identify and collaborate with new partners and donors toward the delivery of the ITU youth strategy.
- #5: Continue with the ongoing implementation of the ITU Youth Strategy and 3 pillars, and mainstream youth in ITU's key projects and activities as mandated by Member States.

Join the Generation Connect Community!

