
The 1st Global Youth Summit Guidebook

“Harmony of Global Youths Towards a Sustainable Future”



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1. Objectives

- A. Establishing a platform for face-to-face global youth exchange that builds a network for future generations
- B. Strengthening global youth capabilities through discussions and training activities on the theme
- C. Deriving joint cooperation measures on global issues and conveying them to the international community in order to expand youth participation opportunities
- D. Creating an opportunity for South Korea to leap as a hub of global youth-related issues through successful hosting of the Summit

2. Background

- A. Providing opportunities for mutual understanding and empathy among youth, who are the future generation, to resolve various conflicts that are intensifying worldwide
- B. Addressing the increased need for face-to-face international youth exchange programs due to the easing of the COVID-19 pandemic

3. Venue: International Youth Center, Seoul, South Korea

4. Schedule

A. Pre-activities

1) Orientation: July 1 (Sat.) / Online

※ To accommodate the time difference, the program will be divided into three sessions.

2) Pre-discussion: First and Second week of July / Online (2 times)

※ The dates and times for pre-discussions will vary by working group, and further details will be provided.

B. Summit: July 19 (Wed.) - 26 (Wed.) / Offline (International Youth Center)

C. Post-activities (Bridging Program*): July ~ August / Online

* Within one month after the Summit ends, participants will carry out practical activities based on the results of the Summit. Detailed information will be informed later.

5. Participants

A. Korean Participants: 20 youths B. Overseas Participants: 120 youths

6. Themes

A. Main Theme: Harmony of Global Youths Towards a Sustainable Future

B. Sub-Themes

Fields	Sub-Themes	Group
Health	Guarantee of the Sustainable Right to Health: Public Health Issues during the With-COVID-19 Era	Group ①
		Group ②
Digital Tech & Education	Educational Disparity in the Digital Society Transition and its Solution: Guarantee of the Right to Learning Based on Equity	Group ③
		Group ④
Society	Youth Participation for the Sustainable Development Goals	Group ⑤
		Group ⑥
Culture	The Role of Youth in Respecting and Spreading Cultural Diversity and Value	Group ⑦
		Group ⑧
Environment	Practice for Daily Life for Overcoming the Climate Crisis	Group ⑨
		Group ⑩

※ Note

Participants will be assigned to a working group (each working group with the same number of people) based on the sub-theme they choose. Please indicate your preferred topic on the application.

7. Organizers

A. Host: Ministry of Gender Equality and Family (MOGEF)

B. Organizer: The National Council of Youth Organizations in Korea (NCYOK)

C. Partner: Korean Educational Psychology Association (KEPA)

8. How to Apply

A. Requirements

- 1) Participants must be between the ages of 18 and 24 (Necessary)
- 2) Attendance is mandatory for all program activities including pre-activities, the Summit, and post-activities. (Necessary)

- 3) Participants must have a good command of English, which is the official language of the Summit. (Necessary)
- 4) Preference will be given to applicants with relevant work experience or prior involvement in activities related to the main theme. (Preferred)

B. Submission

- 1) Applicants need to submit the following documents:
 - A) A completed 'Application Form' – **Attachment-1**
 - ※ Please attach your selfie or id picture to your application.
 - B) 'Homecoming Oath' (Signature Required) – **Attachment-2**
 - C) A copy of the '**Passport**'
 - ※ Please copy or take a picture of your passport in a way that the spelling of all information are identifiable.
 - ※ It is strongly recommended that your passport should be valid for another six months from the date you arrive.
 - ※ Even if you don't have a passport, it is still possible to apply. However, considering the purchase of flight tickets and the starting date of the Summit, we strongly recommend expediting the passport issuance process.
- 2) Your Application should be submitted via email (international@koreayouth.net) before **June 12 (Mon), 2023, 11:59 PM (UTC +09:00, Korea Standard Time)**.
 - ※ The notification of the screening results and selection of successful candidates will be sent via email individually
- 3) Participant selection will be based on motivation expressed through self-introduction and essay related to the main and sub-themes, as well as language proficiency assessment.

9. Additional Guides

A. Participation Fee

- 1) There is **NO participation fee**.
- 2) Accommodation, domestic transportation, meals, insurance, etc. will be covered during the Summit by the host.

B. Airfare Subsidy

- 1) Only foreign participants who are traveling from outside of the host country (South Korea) are eligible for airfare subsidy.
- 2) After being notified of their acceptance, within 2 weeks, participants must submit proof of their travel plans such as a flight itinerary.
 - ※ Details regarding the purchase of flight tickets will be announced to the successful participants at a later time.
- 3) Only participants who fully participate in all scheduled sessions and activities of the Summit without any issues will be provided the subsidy in cash on the last day (July 26) of the Summit.
- 4) Airfare subsidy and pickup services will not be available for non-event related travel, such as tourism or university exchange programs.
 - ※ If the travel dates fall more than 7 days before or after the event dates (If entering into Korea before July 12 or leaving after August 2), except in unavoidable circumstances, it will not be eligible for support.
 - ※ For detailed information regarding the travel schedule, please kindly inquire via email.
- 5) The amount of subsidy regardless of the nationality of applicant is **400,000 KRW (approx. 300 USD).**

C. Accommodation and Meal

- 1) Accommodation: International Youth Center, Seoul
(A room for three people will be provided for the entire schedule.)
- 2) Meal: The diversity of religion and culture will be taken into account when selecting the menu. (Buffet Style)
 - ※ When using external restaurants, buffet or local cuisine will be provided.

D. Transportation

- 1) Participants will be responsible for their own transportation during free and unofficial schedules.
- 2) Local staff will be waiting for you when you arrive and leave for the airport. Moreover, local transportation from the airport (Gimpo or Incheon airport) to the venue and vice versa will be provided.

E. Insurance

- 1) The organizer is planning to provide insurance coverage for participants during the schedule; however, it is recommended that you also purchase your individual travel insurance for coverage during inter-country travels or emergency situations.

F. Addition

- 1) Personal expenses, other than those incurred during official schedules, will not be supported. (e.g., passport and visa application fee, airport charges, personal shopping expenses during the free time, souvenirs, etc.)
- 2) If you withdraw from the Summit or fail due to not meeting qualifications (e.g., voluntary withdrawal, personal issues, or provision of false information) the organizer will not be responsible for any cancellation fees (e.g., flights, visa issuance, or insurance, etc.). A substitute participant may be selected according to the order.
- 3) The event schedule and the number of participants is subject to change. Cancellation due to factors such as COVID-19, international relations, or other circumstances is a possibility.

10. Contact Information

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C. Homepage: <https://eng.gyskorea.kr>

※ After signing up, you can check information (notices, schedule, etc.) on the website.

D. Instagram: [@gyskorea_official](https://www.instagram.com/gyskorea_official)

11. Program Schedule

Date	Activities	Venue
Orientation July 1 (Sat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three sessions to accommodate the time differences between countries • Summit Introduction, Self-introduction etc. 	Online
Pre-discussion First and Second week of July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The dates and times for pre-discussions vary by working group. • Group discussion, Theme research, Pre-assignments etc. 	Online
Summit July 19 (Wed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival / Registration • Orientation / Ice-Breaking • Group Meeting 	International Youth Center (Seoul)
Summit July 20 (Thu)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Ceremony & Welcome Luncheon • Opening Speech • Group Discussion I 	
Summit July 21 (Fri)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Discussion II, III, IV • Draft of Recommendation proposals by sub-theme 	
Summit July 22 (Sat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of drafted Recommendation • Review of Final Recommendation 	
Summit July 23 (Sun)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience Program I (Main & Sub-themes) • Experience Program II (Traditional Korean Culture) 	
Summit July 24 (Mon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience Program III (Modern Korean Culture) • Closing Ceremony (Final Recommendation Presentation & Farewell Dinner) • Exchange Activities 	
Summit July 25 (Tue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Free Time • Farewell Party 	
Summit July 26 (Wed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Departure 	
Post-Activities July ~ August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridging Program • Detailed information will be circulated later. 	Online

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