

Bali Youth Plan

Section 1: General Information	
Summary	The initiative promotes youth engagement in the 10th World Water Forum in Indonesia, and beyond. It continues efforts towards the consolidation of the Global Youth Movement for Water within the Forum through the Bali Youth Plan. A result of the active collaboration among 27 youth water activist and professional organizations, it aims to ensure the effective mainstreaming of youth aged 18 to 35 as equal stakeholders in all current and future Forums' thematic, regional, and political processes.
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Section 2: Commitment	
Linkages to SDG 6	Safe and Affordable Drinking Water, End Open Defecation and Provide Access to Sanitation and Hygiene, Improve Water Quality, Wastewater Treatment and Safe Reuse, Increase Water-Use Efficiency and Ensure Freshwater Supplies, Implement Integrated Water Reso
Target	Participatory and inclusive processes for climate resilience.
Linkages to other SDG	Quality Education, Gender Equality, Reduced Inequalities, Climate Action, Partnerships For The Goals

Section 3: Actions and Outcomes to Achieve Targets	
Relevant Sub-Theme	Water Security and Prosperity, Water for Humans and Nature, Disaster Risk Reduction and Management, Governance, Cooperation and Hydro-diplomacy, Sustainable Water Finance, Knowledge and Innovation
Actions and Outcomes	<p>The following objectives are integral to the goal of the Bali Youth Plan, and actions undertaken by the Bali Youth Plan Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure youth mainstreaming in thematic, regional, and political processes within current and upcoming Forums. This includes advocating for increased political inclusion, such as obtaining and maintaining a youth observer status, inclusion in mailing lists, and youth-led drafting of Ministerial Declaration Paragraphs to identify actionable priorities and best practices. • Promote youth action on the ground (local, national, and international) and maximize participation opportunities leading up to the 10th World Water Forum and future Forums.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster innovative ideas and initiatives by young leaders in water-related areas. • Ensure continuity in the youth movement for water beyond the 10th World Water Forum, contributing to the maintenance and cohesion of a global youth movement. • Gather concrete goals and key messages from the youth community to address governments, the private sector, the international water community, and academia. Highlight best practices and provide tools for non-youth actors to better engage young people, both before, during, and after the Forum. • Empower young people as agents of change and inspire them to take action for water, thereby contributing to capacity building efforts. 	
Implementation Period	Start Period	1/6/2023
	End Period	5/30/2027
Financial Commitment	<p>The following objectives are integral to the goal of the Bali Youth Plan, and actions undertaken by the Bali Youth Plan Working Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure youth mainstreaming in thematic, regional, and political processes within current and upcoming Forums. This includes advocating for increased political inclusion, such as obtaining and maintaining a youth observer status, inclusion in mailing lists, and youth-led drafting of Ministerial Declaration Paragraphs to identify actionable priorities and best practices. • Promote youth action on the ground (local, national, and international) and maximize participation opportunities leading up to the 10th World Water Forum and future Forums. • Foster innovative ideas and initiatives by young leaders in water-related areas. • Ensure continuity in the youth movement for water beyond the 10th World Water Forum, contributing to the maintenance and cohesion of a global youth movement. • Gather concrete goals and key messages from the youth community to address governments, the private sector, the international water community, and academia. Highlight best practices and provide tools for non-youth actors to better engage young people, both before, during, and after the Forum. • Empower young people as agents of change and inspire them to take action for water, thereby contributing to capacity building efforts. <p>Within the Road to the 10th World Water Forum timeline, the key successes to be mentioned are:</p> <p>Representation in core preparatory events, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 2023-May 2024: Global participation in thematic process (hybrid) • September 2023: XVIII World Water Congress (physical) in China 	

- October 2023: 2nd Stakeholders Meeting (physical) in Bali, Indonesia
- October 2023-April 2024: Global participation in regional process (hybrid)
- November 2023-May 2024: Global participation in political process (hybrid)
- December 2023: COP 28 (physical) in UAE
- January 2024: 1st Ministerial Meeting of the World Water Forum at UNESCO
- March 2024: 2nd Ministerial Meeting of the World Water Forum at UNESCO

Youth engagement initiatives:

- June 2023-August 2023: Global #ShareWaterStories virtual competition
- July 2023: National river clean-up in Indonesia conducted in 32 provinces of Jakarta
- September 2023 – May 2024: Global Youth Instagram Live Podcast series (virtual)
- September 2023: Global video competition "Appropriate Technology Applications" begins on Instagram (virtual)
- Jan – March 2024: Global Young Water Sustainability Leader 2024 competition (virtual), winners attend the forum in Bali, Indonesia
- May 2024: D-Day Events (physical) in Bali, Indonesia
- May 2024: Global social event (physical) in Bali, Indonesia

Youth mainstreaming within thematic and regional processes:

- Inclusion of young water professionals as thematic and regional topic coordinators, speakers, rapporteurs, etc.

Youth mainstreaming advocacy within the political process of the Forum

- Writing of a core set of recommendations for to be considered for better youth mainstreaming within the political process
 - o Observer Status within the Political Process:
 - a. Attendance at Political Meetings: Youth representatives are granted observer status, allowing them to attend all political meetings, ensuring their voices are heard and recognized.
 - b. Inclusion in Mailing Lists: Youth representatives are added to the primary mailing lists, keeping them informed about all developments, schedules, and updates.
- Incorporation of Youth Priorities in the Ministerial Declaration (Summarized in a Paragraph)
- o Youth-Led Drafting of Ministerial Declaration Paragraph:
 - a. A special paragraph in the main declaration : A specific paragraph summarizing actionable priorities related to young people in the

water sector will be drafted by youth representatives and incorporated into the Political Ministerial Declaration. Youth will be responsible for drafting this paragraph.

b. Inclusion in the Plenary: This paragraph, which highlights actionable priorities, will be included and discussed during the plenary process. Continuous communication with youth representatives will be maintained throughout this phase to ensure clarity, understanding, and actionability.

c. Basis for Actionable Priorities: The content of this paragraph will be rooted in previously adopted youth declarations and calls to action, including:

- "The Youth Vision for Water: On the Road to UN Water Conference 2023," adopted during the 9th World Water Forum in Dakar, Senegal (Annex 1).

- The position paper of the Global Youth Movement for Water, adopted in the United Nations, New York (Annex 2).

- Drafting and ensuring the dissemination of a youth declaration to be adopted by youth organizations within the Global Youth Movement for Water, focusing on identified core priority areas and best practices for young water professionals and activists.

Future Actions and Commitments:

- Sustaining and enhancing the Bali Youth Plan working group, with a focus on preparation and follow-up for upcoming Forums, including the next one in Riyadh. This involves sharing and amplifying best practices for youth inclusion established during the Bali, Indonesia Forum, to inform and guide future Forums.

- Organizing regional follow-up events to reinforce the implementation of the adopted youth declaration.

- Continuing engagement and capacity-building efforts across various regions and thematic areas post-Forum, ensuring the sustained momentum of the movement and the dissemination of insights gleaned from the Forum throughout youth networks.