



Youth Climate Action Awards Ceremony

“Showcasing the power of young people as key players in reaching innovative and ambitious solutions to combat climate change”

Thursday, 16 November 2017, 17:45 – 18:45
Main Stage, Bonn Zone



This special award ceremony at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP 23), organized in partnership with the UNDP GEF-Small Grants Programme, Connect4Climate and Television for the Environment (tve), will screen the winning videos and present the awards of the Global Youth Video Competition on Climate Change, showcasing the power of young people as key players in reaching innovative and ambitious solutions to combat climate change. In addition, the focal points of the Youth Constituency (YOUNGO) and Conference of Youth (COY 13) will be awarded for their climate leadership.

This year, videos were submitted under the categories ‘Climate friendly and resilient cities’ and ‘Oceans and climate change’. Out of 247 videos submitted from 94 countries, two young climate leaders were selected as the winners of the 2017 Global Youth Video Competition on Climate Change.

- Mr. Younes Lamsaoui is the winner of the ‘Climate friendly and resilient cities’ category. The video “Turning green” highlights how Marrakesh, the “red city”, is responding to the challenges of climate change and how he is contributing to this transition. As a young primary school teacher, he is educating the next generation on how to help make their city greener and live sustainable.
- Mr. Adarsh Prathap is the winner of the ‘Oceans and climate change’ category. The video “Let mangroves recover” underlines the importance of mangroves and shows how their preservation can save thousands of lives. His video, concluding with “sometimes nature is the only answer”, sends a strong message on the significance of this ecosystem for the region for saving its vulnerable coastline.

Reception to follow

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17:45-17:48	Welcoming Remarks, Mr. Nick Nuttall, UNFCCC Spokesperson, Moderator
17:48-17:56	Musical performance, Green School, Bali, Indonesia
17:56-17:58	Introduction to the Youth Competition, Mr. Nick Turner, Digital Manager, TVE
17:58-18:00	Mr. Mark Terry, York University
18:00-18:03	Screening of the summary video for 2017's competition

18:03– 18:29 Opening Remarks, Screening of the Winning Videos and Presentation of the Awards

18:03-18:06	Mr. Ashok Sridharan, Lord Mayor of Bonn
18:06-18:10	Screening of the "Turning Green", winning video for the category "Climate friendly and resilient cities", (Introduced by Mr. Younes Lamsaoui, Morocco)
18:10-18:12	Award presented by Lord Mayor Ashok Sridharan and Ms. Francoise Clottes, Director, Strategy and Operations, GEF to Mr. Younes Lamsaoui
18:12-18:15	Ms. Franciose Clottes, Director, Strategy and Operations, GEF
18:15-18:19	Screening of the "Let mangroves recover", winning video for the category "Oceans and climate change" (Introduction by Mr. Adarsh Prathap, India)
18:19-18:22	Minister Inia Seruiratu, Fijian High Level Climate Champion, Minister for Agriculture, Rural & Maritime Development, and National Disaster Management
18:22-18:24	Award presented by Minister Inia Seruiratu, Fiji, High Level Climate Champion and Mr. Max Thabiso Edkins, Connect4Climate to Mr. Adarsh Prathap
18:24-18:27	Mr. Max Thabiso Edkins, Connect4Climate, World Bank
18:27-18:29	Screening of the Video "We Are Uniting for Climate Action"

18: 29 – 18:42 Acknowledging Youth Climate Action

18:29-18:32	Ms. Yoko Watanabe, Global Manager, GEF Small Grants Programme, UNDP
18:32-18:35	Mr. Ovais Sarmad, Deputy Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
18:35-18:37	Award presented by Mr. Ovais Sarmad and Ms. Yoko Watanabe to YOUNGO Focal Points 2017 to Ms. Joanna Read and Ms. Nouhad Awwad
18:37-18:39	Award presented by Mr. Ovais Sarmad and Mr. Jean-Jacques Goron to COY 13 Organizers to representatives of COY 13
18:39-18:42	Inspirational Message Mr. Jean-Jacques Goron, Managing Director, BNP Paribas Foundation

18:42 – 18:45 Closing Remarks

Prof. Michael Hoch, President, University of Bonn