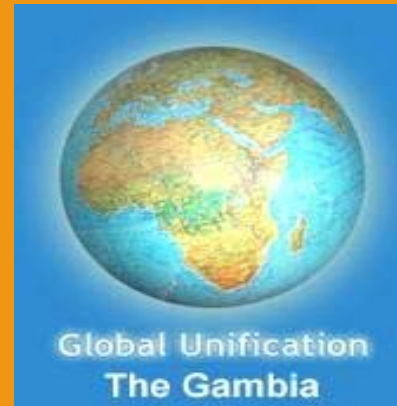


# Youth-Led Climate Actions and their Roles in the Implementation of Article 6



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# Get to Know Us

**YOUNGO- Young Non-Governmental Organizations** . *The Youth Constituency, recognized provisionally by the UNFCCC secretariat since September 2009, represents the interest of the young generations at the UNFCCC process and is committed to support the parties in achieving the objective of the convention.*

# African Youth Initiative on Climate Change (AYICC)

- A loose network of youth organizations. AYICC coordinates youths efforts on climate change and environmental sustainability with national chapters in over 35 African Countries.
- **Global Unification** is youth-led research and development association working on climate change.

# Why are Youths Key in Climate Actions

- Up to 1.3 billion of the world population are young people many of whom living in the developing world.
- Young people represent the future generation of decision makers, who will bear most the brunt of the negative impacts of climate change
- Young people are energetic, creative, enthusiastic and committed on climate change solution
- Engaging youth promote international cooperation

# Youth Climate Actions In The Gambia

- Global week of climate action 21-24 October 2010
- National consultative forum on youth engagement on climate change, November 2010
- Earth Day, April 2010
- Climate talk Radio Program-Rethinking the future

# Photos: Global week of climate action



# Photos: Earth Day 2010





# The Youth Climate Movement In COP15

- Young people carried the world's largest demonstrations on climate change.
- Formed largest international collaboration amongst youth-NGOs unlike any other seen before within the climate movement.
- [“Hunger for Survival” global fast for climate justice](#) with over 10,000 people worldwide



# Int'l youth Co-operation

- 350.org Global Week of Climate Action was carried in over 88 Countries of the World
- AYICC is now present in Over 35 countries. Through this network, we continue to promote mass information, education and communication on climate change and how young people from Africa have been contributing to reversing the threat of climate change
- Using social media, such as facebook and twitter, we brings climate change awareness to million of users

# Challenges Encountered by Youths

- Youth access to information is low, or some cases absent .
- Non inclusion of young people in the development of national strategies for sustainable development and decision-making process.
- Young people continues to be fragmented into small groups, each doing action in their own way.
- Inadequate financial support to youth-led climate action projects
- Little or no recognition of young people efforts on climate change issues

# Way forward

- National Governments should provide the enabling environment for effective youth participation on Climate change at local, national, regional and international levels.
- Climate education should be included in National education curricula at levels
- Adequate funding should be provided to young people to carry out Non formal education on climate change
- Young people should be included in official delegates to UNFCCC meetings and other climate change related activities.

**Thank you!!!**