

**Climate Policy Innovators Youth Camp:**  
*Towards meaningful youth engagement in climate policies in Asia Pacific*

**11-13 February 2025**  
**Bangkok, Thailand**

**Register here: <https://forms.office.com/e/YMVMjRKERf>**

## **I. Overview**

The UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Center for Asia and the Pacific, under the auspices of the Youth Empowerment in Climate Action Platform (YECAP), and in collaboration with Youth4Capacity will conduct a three-day youth camp open to youth in Asia Pacific. The camp aims to enhance the capacities of the youth to meaningfully engage in climate policy discussions and positively impact climate change policy-making processes at the global, regional, and national levels.

The camp will cover six (6) modules:

1. Global and regional contexts of climate change
2. Children, youth and women in nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and national adaptation plans (NAPs)
3. Youth in climate action: Entry points, initiatives and programs for youth engagement
4. Youth in shaping new ambitions: young people as policy accelerators, agents of change and implementers
5. Youth hands-on training: A) Diplomacy, B) Tools and methodologies
6. Futures thinking/foresight methodology

## **II. Objectives**

The objective is to enhance the technical competencies and understanding of youth in climate change processes, particularly in policymaking and implementation. This capacity building will enable them to engage effectively in policy discussions and facilitate the formulation and implementation of NAPs and NDCs in their respective countries.

The youth camp is also envisioned to highlight the roles of children, women and girls, and youth in climate action and in shaping new ambitions.

Taking into account innovative approaches and fast-paced learning, the camp will also provide hands-on training on diplomacy and new tools and methodologies and foresight including greenhouse gas inventory, climate projections and modeling, and transparency and reporting, aimed at better equipping the youth in their engagement in policy discussions and policymaking processes.

## **III. Expected outcomes**

This capacity-building support will have contributed to the participant's knowledge and skills in meaningfully engaging in policy discussions and policy-making processes. In this case, youth camp participants became more equipped to collaborate and proactively engage with governments and other stakeholders in developing and implementing climate policies. Identified entry points for engaging in the policy-making processes at the national and local levels.

#### **IV. Output**

- Training module for meaningful youth engagement in climate policy is developed and updated as necessary to incorporate the latest information
- Roster of youth participants that can be engaged in high-level discussions on matters related to youth engagement in climate action
- Capacity-building needs assessment to guide future interventions for youth
- Asia Pacific youth recommendations for consideration by the Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) and Presidency Youth Climate Champion (PYCC)

#### **V. Potential follow-up activities**

- Webinar on meaningful youth engagement in climate policy showcasing the outcomes of the youth camp
- Participation to regional fora on NDCs and NAPs, and other regional engagements
- Youth exchanges among participants and with YECAP to learn from each other's progress in engaging in climate policy and other initiatives
- Regional dialogue with PYCC, Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP) and ACE.

---

#### **VI. Modules and Training Methodologies:**

1. **Global and Regional Contexts of Climate Change:**
    - o Provides a foundational understanding of climate change in global and regional contexts.
  2. **Youth, Women and Children in NDCs and NAPs:**
    - o Focuses on integrating youth, women and children's needs and rights in climate policies and adaptation plans and strategies, focusing how they can be more meaningfully engaged.
  3. **Youth in Climate Action:**
    - o Explores entry points and ongoing youth initiatives in climate action, and how youth can support the implementation of plans and strategies.
  4. **Youth in Shaping New Climate Ambitions:**
    - o Emphasizes how young people can accelerate new ambitions as policy accelerators, agents of change and implementers.
  5. **Youth Hands-On Experience:**
    - o Practical training in climate diplomacy, tools and methodologies (including GHG inventory, climate modeling, transparency, and reporting).
  6. **Futures thinking towards low emission development and climate resiliency**
    - o Understanding the futures thinking strategy to determine appropriate policies and programs for long-term application, corresponding to both current and projected issues and scenarios
-

## **VII. Coverage and target participants**

- Funding support is available for 20 youth from 10 countries: Bangladesh, Indonesia, Mongolia, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, Philippines, Samoa, Vanuatu and Viet Nam. Maximum of 2 participants per country only, subject to change based on budget allocation.
- 10 slots are allotted for self-funded participation from Asia Pacific countries.
- Indigenous youth participation and gender balance will be observed in the selection process.
- Youth camp can be extended to Central Asian countries and other Asia Pacific Island countries not covered by SIDA through self-funding or complementary funding from other initiatives.

## **VIII. Youth eligible for the camp**

- Youth applicant shall be from Asia Pacific countries (for self-funded participation), or within the 10 countries identified (for funded participation)
- Age qualification shall be based on the applicant's country's definition of youth
- Applicants should have been engaged in climate policy work at national or local level, or have worked with local organizations and youth groups to implement climate action

## **IX. Contact the RCC Asia Pacific**

- Inquiries may be sent to the UNFCCC RCC Asia Pacific ([RCCAsiaPacific@unfccc.int](mailto:RCCAsiaPacific@unfccc.int)) addressed to Ms. Jean Regulano, Climate Action and Adaptation Specialist ([JRegulano@unfccc.int](mailto:JRegulano@unfccc.int)).