

High-Level Opening

Day: October 8, 2023

Time: 14:30 (local time)

Meeting Room: Dhahran

Language:

Arabic & English

Description:

The High-Level opening will mark the commencement of the Youth-Affiliated Event at the MENA Regional Climate Week. The 20-minute session will include high-level remarks from a representative from the host country, UNFCCC, and a child and youth representatives. The addresses will reflect on the core need for youth empowerment in the climate file within the context of the MENA region while also celebrating the progress and milestones achieved so far.

Duration:

30 minutes

Logistics needs:

Podium with microphone

Expected number of attendees:

100

Session Agenda:

Opening Speeches		
Welcome and introduction	Moderator - YOUNGO	2 minutes
Opening remarks for the Youth-Affiliated Event	Deena Al Kayyl, Advisor to the Assistant Minister for Development and Excellence Affairs, Ministry of Energy, Saudi Arabia	3 minutes

<u>Suggested intervention:</u> Urgency of the climate crisis, commend youth engagement, and call for international cooperation	James Graber, Director, Mitigation Division, UNFCCC	3 minutes
Special addresses		
Statement from MENA children	Ghaya, UNICEF Child Advocate	3 minutes
<u>Suggested intervention:</u> Urge youth to attend the Youth4Capacity sessions of the Youth-Affiliated Event	Francesco Corvaro, Special Envoy for Climate Change, Italy	3 minutes
Statement from MENA youth	YOUNGO representative	3 minutes
Wrap-up and conclusion	Moderator	2 minutes