

ASIA-PACIFIC SDG CHALLENGE

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GOAL 14
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GOAL 13
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13 CLIMATE
ACTION



14 LIFE
BELOW WATER



RCE
YOUTH

STARTS ON 1 FEBRUARY 2018

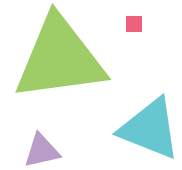
ON-GROUND YOUTH LED PROJECTS

VIRTUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

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Youth for the Goals: Climate Action and Life Below Water



TODAY IS A CRITICAL TIME FOR THE WORLD'S YOUTH. NOT ONLY DO WE FACE EXTRAORDINARY CHALLENGES, SUCH AS MAN-MADE CLIMATE CHANGE, GROWING POPULATION AND HEALTH IMPACTS, LARGE-SCALE SOCIAL ISSUES OF WAR, POVERTY AND INEQUALITY, BUT WE ALSO POSSESS MANY POWERFUL TOOLS TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS, ESPECIALLY WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND SOCIAL MEDIA. WE NEED YOUNG LEADERS TO TAKE ACTION FOR THE GLOBAL GOALS.

ABOUT: The first Asia-Pacific SDG Challenge will commence in February 2018 and will focus on SDG 13: Climate Action and SDG 14: Life Below Water. All A-P Youth Focal Points are invited to get involved to mobilise on-ground activities in their local region. We invite you to create your own a program or project, with support from your RCE, that will make a difference for yourself, your community and the planet. You can work alone, in a team or with a neighbouring RCE and involve as many youth as you can. Projects could include a rubbish clean up at a local river or beach to stop plastics entering the waterway, planting trees to mitigate climate change effects, educational community talks, creating a video documentary, youth rally, leadership program or regional essay competition and much more.

At the conclusion of the project a 1-day A-P Virtual Youth Conference will be held online in mid-September 2018 where youth can celebrate and present to a global audience. The theme for the virtual conference will be *'Youth for the Goals: Climate Action and Life Below Water'*. All projects will be included in an e-publication to share and inspire other youth from around the world to engage with the SDGs in their communities.

GET INVOLVED: We invite you to develop your own project that you are really passionate about that will have an impact on Goal 13 and/or 14 in your local region.

BENEFITS: By participating in the SDG Challenge and Virtual Conference, Youth Focal Points are eligible to apply for a UNU RCE Flagship Award for the project. You may also apply for UNU funding to attend the 2018 A-P meeting. You will also gain valuable experience by presenting and publishing your project, while connecting with like-minded and inspiring youth.

KEY DATES:

- > SDG Challenge starts 1 February 2018
- > SDG Challenge concludes 15 August 2018
- > A-P Virtual Youth Conference September 2018
- > Case study submission 31 October 2018

REQUIREMENTS: Participants must submit a short project plan by 1 February 2018 and have basic English skills (written and verbal). Assistance may be provided.

CONTACT US: This initiative is led by the A-P Youth Regional Coordinators, Brittany (RCE Greater Western Sydney, Australia) and Emmy (RCE Yogyakarta, Indonesia) with support from the UNU-IAS RCE network. Should you have any questions please feel free to email us directly on:

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