

COP22 Call for Resources for Youth Climate Action

In the context of the **UN Climate Change Conference COP22** in Marrakech (07 Nov - 18 Nov 2016), the **International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges IAAI** - an UNFCCC and UN ECOSOC accredited civil society organization based in Klagenfurt am Wörthersee (Austria) - is organizing with partners (CliMates, UNESCO MOST et al.) a **resource mobilization campaign for youth climate action** (hashtag **#GiveYouthaChance**).

The initiators of #GiveYouthaChance campaign are convinced that the **time is ripe for a large scale social movement towards resource mobilization for youth climate action**. COP22 will be an important milestone for setting up **transformative partnerships** for Paris agreement implementation and therefore a unique **opportunity for all those who have resources** and who are inclined to use them in a globally coordinated way to **empower young people to take meaningful and rewarding action on climate change**.

What?

The **#GiveYouthAChance COP22 Call for Resources** campaign calls for resources

UNFCCC ACE) in New York, at <u>Bonn Climate Change Conference 2016</u> and at the <u>UN</u> <u>Agenda 2030 Science, Technology and Innovation Forum 2016</u> again in New York.

Engagement Opportunities

Opportunity to join the #GiveYouthaChance campaign at 12th Conference of Youth/COY12 and COP22

The wording of the **call for resources letter** will be finalized at a #GiveYouthaChance workshop at the Conference of Youth preceding COP22 on Sunday 6th November (a <u>draft</u> can be found at <u>http://www.glocha.info/index.php/giveyouthachance</u>). At the workshop there will be elaborated also the **Terms of reference** and **Memorandi of Understanding** templates for participation of public and private stakeholders (especially youth organizations and local authorities and cities administrations) in the **GloCha Youth Empowerment partnership** and its #GiveYouthaChance resource mobilization campaign.

Opportunity to present pledges for youth climate action empowerment at official COP22side event

- 1. for youth participation in UNFCCC processes
- 2. for UN system's programs on youth empowerment for climate action and
- 3. for an **Agenda2030 youth action marketplace** that will empower young people for local climate action in a globally coordinated manner and connect them with blended financing from local and global public, private and philanthropic sources.

The campaign consist of

- a **crowdfunding** component that is targeting small donations of ordinary global citizens (please visit https://www.razoo.com/us/story/Glocha-Global-Challenges-Foundation-New-York/related_causes for details) and
- a "Global Challenges Giving Pledge" call and registry for philanthropists and public and private institutional wealth holders.

The short term fundraising target of the campaign is **1 million Euro** (or 1,1 mio US\$) which shall be achieved before the end of January 2017 (to be reported at ECOSOC Youth Forum 2017) and a long-term fundraising goal of 100 million for which the time plan will be elaborated at the review of first phase of the #GiveYouthaChance campaign end of January 2017.

Contribution to Paris Agreement Implementation and COP22 project label

The Call for resources for youth climate action aims to reach those who are ready to **invest in youth empowerment for climate action in a global multistakeholder partnership structure** which is very much **aligned and complementary** to the functioning of the competent **United Nations** bodies and programs.

3rd of November 2016 the #GiveYouthAChance COP22 Call for Resources for Youth Climate Action initiative has been authorized by COP22 Steering Committee to use the **official COP22 project label.**

Organizational background

#GiveYouthaChance is a multistakeholder initiative involving representatives from UNFCCC youth constituency YOUNGO (e.g CliMates), partners from UN system (UNESCO MOST, UN Habitat, UN Women, ..) and other partners (e.g. the Citizens Climate Engagement Network CCEN, WorldWeWant2030, Regional Government of Austrian province of Carinthia, National Youth Authority of Ghana etc.).

For administration of the #GiveYouthaChance campaign and for joint information and resource management there will be set up at COP22 a multistakeholder partnership structure - the <u>Global Cha</u>llenges youth empowerment partnership GloCha - which shall develop into of the world's leading youth focused SDGs delivery mechanism for SDG 10 (reducing inequalities), SDG 11 (sustainable cities and communities), SDG 13 (climate action) and SDG 17 (partnerships).



The initiative, its innovative approaches and its partners have been presented at several United Nations events, e.g. at the <u>UNFCCC COP20 in Lima</u>, at the <u>ECOSOC Partnership</u> Forum 2015, at UNFCCC COP21 in Paris, at the ECOSOC Youth Forum 2016 (with

Potential pledgers are invited to get in contact with #GiveYouthaChance organizers by sending an email to giveyouthachance(at)glocha.info or/and to express their support for the initiative through this **online form**: <u>https://goo.gl/forms/NT0ITVM3ZLj5vu0x2</u>.

The formal launch of the initiative will be at the official COP22 side event "Financial, Technical and Institutional Support for Scaling Up Youth Climate Action" organized jointly by IAAI, CliMates and Green Cross International on COP22 Young and Future Generations day 10th of November 2016 and will be also live webbroadcasted on UNFCCC Climate Change Studio youtube channel).

An opportunity for media representatives to learn about the initiative will be at a #GiveYouthAChance **press conference** on Saturday 12th November 11.30-12.00h in Press Conference Room Dakhla.

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