

2024 Generation Connect

Knowledge Development and Mentoring Programme

17th June to 17th November 2024

This knowledge development programme aims to advance learning opportunities for Generation Connect Youth Envoys to empower them become engaged members in their communities, countries and regions of the digital economy, society, and environment as key drivers of the digital world.

The programme will encompass:

- Virtual meetings from both the global and regional teams to foster GCYE community at global and regional levels;
- Virtual interactive sessions aiming to increase knowledge about ITU work and activities to empower educational and social economic empowerment of youth through ICTs. These sessions will focus on BDT's work, particularly on youth-related issues, and provide opportunities for Generation Connect Youth Envoys to interact with experts and professionals in the subject matter;
- Online self-paced trainings on key topics relevant to ITU work on topics of interest for youth educational and socio-economic development, aiming to strengthen GCYE capacity and empower them with the necessary knowledge to be active participants in the digital dialogue and ICT development agenda.

General Notes on the Programme:

- Most activities will be 1 hour in length.
- Global events will be held either from 12h-13h or 13h-14h CEST to try and accommodate different time zones to the best of our ability.
- We encourage linguistic diversity in our programming. All mandatory online trainings are available in 5 of the UN languages (English, Spanish, French, Russian, and Arabic). At the global level, we will do our best to provide interpretation for our programming, which will be held in English. If interpretation is not possible, we will

provide opportunities for breakout room discussions where youth can engage in discussions in English, Spanish, French, Arabic, and/or Russian. In this case, we may enlist the assistance of GC Alumni who can act as rapporteurs and report back to the larger group to summarize key points discussed in the breakout rooms.

Legend for Knowledge Development Programme:

Purple: Global team leads session

Orange: Regions lead session

Blue: Both global and regional teams lead session

Yellow: Workshop (global team’s responsibility in coordination with Study Group Management)

Green: Self-paced online courses that GC Youth Envoys lead

Global and Regional Onboarding Meetings – CALENDAR*

**Please note that this is a living document, and some dates and/or topics may be modified*

Date TBC	Lead	Topic
Week of June 17-23	Global Team	Introduction to the UN, ITU (HQ, Regions, etc.), BDT, Generation Connect, and Global Youth Summit *Note: This session will be 90 mins
Week of June 24-30	Regional Youth Focal Points	Regional ‘Passing the Torch’/Onboarding Events (organized in each region)
Week of July 1-7	Global and Regional Youth Focal Points <i>Lead: HQ and Regional</i>	Global Perspective of All ITU Regions: General Introduction to Kigali Action Plan and Regional Initiatives
Week of July 8-14	Global GC team	Workshop (TBC with SG Management Team)

Week of July 15-21	GC Youth Envoys	Online, Self-Paced Training Course (available in English, Spanish, French, Arabic, and Russian): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ITU Academy's <u>ICT Accessibility: the key to inclusive communication</u>
Week of July 29-August 4	Regional Youth Focal points (to be organized in every region)	Regional Roundtable and Co-creation Session 1: aiming to identify specific ICT needs of young people to support their digital inclusion and related educational and socio-economic development based on considerations on the existing regional initiatives (content relevant for youth).
Weeks of August 5 12-September 13	GC Youth Envoys	Online, Self-Paced Training Courses: <u>Choose at least one of the following courses:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - [Available in English, French, Spanish, and Arabic] ITU Academy's <u>How to ensure inclusive digital communication during crisis and emergency situations</u> - [Available in English, Spanish, French, and Russian] ITU Academy's <u>Lifecycle, principles and good-practices on national cybersecurity strategy development and implementation</u>
Week of September 16-September 22	Global GC team <i>Lead: GC Alumni</i>	Intergenerational Workshop (Topic defined by GC Youth Envoys)
Week of September 23-29	Global GC team	Global Roundtable on the ITU Global Youth Summit – Topics of Interest/Activities Brainstorm
Week of September 30-October 6	Regional Youth Focal Points	Regional Roundtables on the ITU Global Youth Summit – Identifying Regional Priorities and Topics of Interest
Week of October 7-October 13	Global GC team <i>Lead: GC Alumni and GC Youth Envoys</i>	Intergenerational Workshop (Topic defined by GC Youth Envoys)

Week of October 14-October 20	Global AND Regional Youth Focal Points	Preparation for the Global Youth Summit and Regional Roundtables* *TWO events this week: one global and one in each region
Week of October 21-October 27	GC Youth Envoys	Online, Self-Paced Training Course (available in English, Spanish, French, Arabic, and Russian): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ITU Academy's <u>Web Accessibility: The Cornerstone of Digital Society</u> - [Optional – Available in English] ITU Academy's <u>Gender Analysis and Digital Inclusion</u>
Week of October 21-27	Global GC team	Global Roundtable – Feedback on Initial Plan for Global Youth Summit
Week of October 28-November 3	Regional Youth Focal Points	Regional Roundtable – Feedback on Initial Plan for Global Youth Summit
Week of November 4-11	GC Youth Envoys	Online, Self-Paced Training Course (available in English, Spanish, French, Arabic, and Russian): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ITU Academy's <u>Smart for all: Beyond smart cities, Towards building an inclusive and digitally accessible environments and communities</u> - [Optional – Available in English] ITU Academy's <u>Climate Change and the Mobile Industry</u>