
2023 Global Youth Summit Guidebook

“Harmony of Global Youths Towards a Sustainable Future”



2023 Global Youth Summit (GYS)

1. Objectives

- A. Establishing a platform for face-to-face global youth exchange that builds a network for future generations.
- B. Strengthening global youth capabilities through discussions and training activities on the theme.
- C. Deriving joint cooperation measures on global issues and conveying them to the international community in order to expand youth participation opportunities.
- D. Creating an opportunity for South Korea to leap as a hub of global youth-related issues through successful hosting of the Summit

2. Background

- A. Providing opportunities for mutual understanding and empathy among youth, who are the future generation, to resolve various conflicts that are intensifying worldwide.
- B. Addressing the increased need for face-to-face international youth exchange programs due to the easing of the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. Venue: International Youth Center, Seoul, South Korea

4. Schedule

- A. Pre-activities (Orientation, Pre-discussion): June / Online
 - B. Summit: July 19 (Wed.) - 26 (Wed.) / Offline (International Youth Center)
 - C. Post-activities (“Bridging Program*”): July ~ August / Online
- * Within one month after the Summit ends, participants will carry out practical activities based on the results of the Summit. For detailed information, please go to [Appendix 1: Global Youth Summit Bridging Program](#).

5. Participants

- A. Korean Participants: 20 youths
- B. Overseas Participants: 120 youths

6. Themes

A. Main Theme: Harmony of Global Youths Towards a Sustainable Future

B. Sub-Themes

Fields	Sub-Themes	Group
Health	Guarantee of the Sustainable Right to Health: Public Health Issues during the With-COVID-19 Era	Group ①
		Group ②
Digital Tech & Education	Educational Disparity in the Digital Society Transition and its Solution: Guarantee of the Right to Learning Based on Equity	Group ③
		Group ④
Society	Youth Participation for the Sustainable Development Goals	Group ⑤
		Group ⑥
Culture	The Role of Youth in Respecting and Spreading Cultural Diversity and Value	Group ⑦
		Group ⑧
Environment	Practice for Daily Life and the Use of Green Energy for Overcoming the Climate Crisis	Group ⑨
		Group ⑩

※ Note

Participants will be assigned to a working group (each working group with 14 people) based on the sub-theme they choose. Please indicate your preferred topic on the application.

7. Organizers

A. Host: Ministry of Gender Equality and Family (MOGEF)

B. Organizer: The National Council of Youth Organizations in Korea (NCYOK)

C. Partner: Korean Educational Psychology Association (KEPA)

8. How to Apply

A. Qualification

- 1) Participants must be between the ages of 18 and 24 (Necessary)
- 2) Attendance is mandatory for all program activities including pre-activities, the Summit, and post-activities. (Necessary)
- 3) Participants must have a good command of English, which is the official language of the Summit. (Necessary)
- 4) Preference will be given to applicants with relevant work experience or prior involvement in activities related to the main theme. (Preferred)

B. Submission

1) Applicants need to submit the following documents:

A) A completed 'Application Form' – Attachment-1

※ Please attach your selfie or id picture to your application.

B) 'Homecoming Oath' (Signature Required) – Attachment-2

C) A copy of the 'Passport'

※ Please copy your passport in a way that the spelling of the English name and date of birth are identifiable.

D) Flight Itinerary (Within 2 weeks after being selected as a participant)

2) **Application closing date is Monday, May 1, 2023.**

※ Closing date is dependent on the own schedule of the recommending organizations.

3) Application should be submitted to the responsible person of the recommending organization (e.g. Korean Embassy in your country)

9. Additional Guides

A. Participation Fee

1) There is **NO** participation fee.

2) Accommodation, domestic transportation, meals, insurance, etc. will be covered during the Summit by the host.

3) In the case of the participants coming from overseas, they will be given a subsidy for airfares. For the details of the terms of the subsidy for airfare, please go to **Appendix 2: Guideline for Airfare Subsidy.**

B. Accommodation and Meal

1) Accommodation: International Youth Center, Seoul

(A room for three people will be provided for the entire schedule)

2) Meal: The diversity of religion and culture will be taken into account when selecting the menu. (Buffet Style)

※ When using external restaurants, buffet or local cuisine will be provided.

C. Transportation

- 1) Participants will be responsible for their own transportation during free and unofficial schedules.
- 2) Local staff will be waiting for you when you arrive and leave for the airport. Moreover, local transportation from the airport (Gimpo or Incheon airport) to the venue and vice versa will be provided.

D. Insurance

- 1) The organizer is planning to provide insurance coverage for participants during the schedule; however, it is recommended that you also purchase your individual travel insurance for coverage during inter-country travels or emergency situations.

E. Addition

- 1) Personal expenses, other than those incurred during official schedules, will not be supported. (e.g., passport and visa application fee, airport charges, personal shopping expenses during the free time, souvenirs, etc.)
- 2) If you withdraw from the Summit or fail due to not meeting qualifications (e.g., voluntary withdrawal, personal issues, or provision of false information) the organizer will not be responsible for any cancellation fees (e.g., flights, visa issuance, or insurance, etc.). A substitute participant may be selected according to the order.
- 3) The event schedule and the number of participants is subject to change. Cancellation due to factors such as COVID-19, international relations, or other circumstances is a possibility

10. Contact Information

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- C. Homepage: <https://eng.gyskorea.kr>
- ※ After signing up, you can check information (notices, schedule, etc.) on the website.
- D. Instagram: [@gyskorea_official](https://www.instagram.com/gyskorea_official)

11. Program Schedule

Date	Activities	Venue	
Pre-Activities (June ~ July)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online Orientation• Pre-discussions	Online	
July 19 (Wed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arrival / Registration• Orientation / Ice-Breaking• Group Meeting	International Youth Center (Seoul)	
July 20 (Thu)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening Ceremony & Welcome Luncheon• Opening Speech• Group Discussion I		
July 21 (Fri)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group Discussion II, III, IV• Draft of Recommendation proposals by sub-theme		
July 22 (Sat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation of drafted Recommendation• Review of Final Recommendation		
July 23 (Sun)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience Program I (Main & Sub-themes)• Experience Program II (Modern Korean Culture)		
July 24 (Mon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience Program III (Traditional Korean Culture)• Closing Ceremony (Final Recommendation Presentation & Farewell Dinner)• Exchange activities		
July 25 (Tue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group Free Time• Farewell Party		
July 26 (Wed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departure		
Post-Activities (In Jul ~ Aug)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bridging Program• Detailed information will be circulated later.		Online

※ The schedule is subject to change.

Appendix 1. Global Youth Summit Bridging Program

1. Summary

- The Global Youth Summit Bridging Program (Bridging Program) is a program where participants select clauses from the adopted Recommendation during and ones that they want to put into action, and engage in experiential activities.

2. Objectives

- To provide youths with opportunities to take action based on the adopted recommendations under the main theme – Harmony of Global Youths Towards a Sustainable Future

3. Participants: All Participants of the 2023 Global Youth Summit

4. Venue: Online Conference (ZOOM or Metaverse)

5. Program Schedule

※ subject to change

Date	Contents	Remarks
20 (Thu.) ~ 31 (Mon.) July	- Submission of Action Plan	- Action plan should be based on the Recommendation.
1 (Tue.) ~ 18 (Fri.) Aug.	- Putting into action - Submission of Report	-
21 (Mon.) ~ 25 (Fri.) Aug.	- Evaluation	- Submitted reports will be evaluated by experts
30 (Wed.) Aug.	- Presentation and Award Ceremony	- Online Award Ceremony

- Participants should select the topic based on the Recommendation and they should submit the Action Plan related to the topic.
- The document format and the guideline of the Action Plan will be provided during the Summit, and the participants should prepare the action plan and the result report within its guidelines.

Appendix 2. Guideline for Airfare Subsidy

1. Eligibility

- Only participants who are traveling from outside of the host country (South Korea) are eligible for airfare subsidy.
- After being notified of their acceptance, Participants must submit proof of their travel plans such as a flight itinerary.
- Only participants who fully participate in all scheduled sessions and activities of the Summit without any issues will be provided the subsidy in cash on the last day (July 26) of the Summit.
- Airfare Subsidy and pickup services will not be available for non-event related travel, such as tourism or university exchange programs.
- ※ If the travel dates fall more than 7 days before or after the event dates (If entering into Korea before July 12 or leaving after August 2), except in unavoidable circumstances, it will not be eligible for support.

2. Amount of Subsidy

- The amount of subsidy will be approximately 50% of the average airfare of an economy class seat. (depending on the participant's country of origin)

Continents	Country	Amount
Asia	Brunei, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mongolia, Philippines, Singapore, Vietnam	400,000 (KRW)
Europe	Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Czech, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Turkey	700,000 (KRW)
Middle & South America	Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Mexico	1,200,000 (KRW)
Middle East & Africa	Cameroon, Egypt, Israel, Morocco, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates	800,000 (KRW)

- Between your nationality and the country of departure, the smaller amount will be provided.

(e.g.,) If you are a France national traveling from Egypt to South Korea, you will be provided the smaller amount, which is 700,000 KRW.