

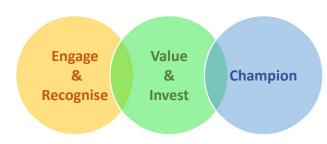




# **Youth Engagement Segment at the 2019 Statutory meetings**

#### **IFRC and Youth**

For the RCRC, young people embody the most valuable RCRC resource and asset, as they represent more than a half of RCRC 12 million active volunteers globally and are a driving force of our humanitarian assistance locally.



Youth engagement is therefore a strategic vehicle in achieving the RCRC humanitarian excellence and ensuring continuity, progress, and renewal within 191 National Societies. In the rapidly changing humanitarian landscape, young people help us better identify the missing pieces in our community engagement strategy, foster locally driven solutions, and

thus ensure that our National Societies remain relevant local actors before, during, and after humanitarian crises.

## **Youth Engagement Segment 2019**

Learning from the engagement of youth leaders in the previous Statutory meetings, we assert that bringing the youth voice in the RCRC decision-making discussions is brings value-add and vital. It is our today's investment into the youth leadership development that in combination with intergenerational co-operation foster the transfer of experiences, stability and progress in local communities, globally.



Building on the achievement of the 2017 when 170 young delegates from 121 National Societies joint the Statutory meetings, this year our objective is to have young delegates participate from at least 130 National Societies.

The perspectives of young humanitarians add significant value to all elements of our work. During the upcoming Statutory meetings their voice will be especially valuable when discussing gender, equity, the strategic framework on education, new and emerging trends which will influence the humanitarian landscape going forward. Expanding involvement of young delegates will strengthen the position of National Societies as partners of choice with local impact and global reach.

On the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we are reminded of a young Henry Dunant who had the transformative vision to alleviate human suffering wherever it may be found. During the General Assembly, we shall witness another powerful idea materialise. In recognition of our commitment to nurturing youth leadership and fostering inter-generational collaboration, we will conduct historic Youth Commission elections where candidates will be elected by their peers, young leaders from National Societies.

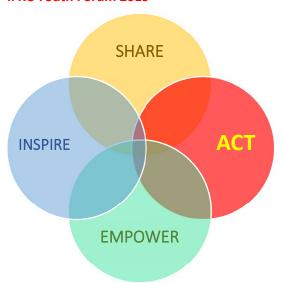






Working together before, during, and after our highest-level decision-making meetings, both the senior leaders and the youth delegates will be able to share their motivations and aspirations in strengthening our collective RCRC mandate as well as furthering the humanitarian initiatives with government and other stakeholders. By engaging and listening to youth during the Statutory meetings we will continue effectively closing the gaps between the high-level decision-making and the realities of the communities the RCRC engages.

#### **IFRC Youth Forum 2019**



To facilitate meaningful engagement of youth delegates and ensure the youth voice echoing throughout the Statutory meetings, the Youth Forum will be organised on December 3-4, 2019, preceding the General Assembly.

Youth delegates will participate in robust substantive discussions such as the IFRC Constitutional Review, S2030, Integrity and Accountability, Gender and Diversity Policy as well as Education and Youth Commission election. The Form will hence provide a space for youth to reimagine what the RCRC Movement shall look like in the future and what kind of Movement they want to co-create.

Outcomes of the Forum will not only be shared as youth-led interventions and inputs to substantive discussions during the Statutory meetings but will also greatly contribute to the IFRC centenary celebration. In addition, the Forum will become an opportunity for the youth leaders to discuss matters pertinent to advancing the Movement's work and youth engagement regionally. Lastly, various examples of excellence in advancing youth engagement at the National Society level will be also featured and the launch of the IFRC Y.E.S. toolkit, aimed at helping the National Societies to better operationalise the IFRC Youth Engagement Strategy (2013), will be another highlight of the Forum.

### **Highlights throughout the Statutory meetings**

After the Youth Forum, all the youth delegates join their delegations throughout the Statutory meetings and shape the meetings' outcomes. In addition to the youth engagement specific statutory requirements such as the 2-year Youth Commission report, these are spotlights where young people and their contribution to RCRC humanitarian action and leadership will be celebrated:

- 1. IFRC Youth Commission 2019-2023 Elections
- 2. Youth on the Move Award ceremony
- 3. 100 ideas challenge

Throughout the meetings, special spaces will be created to ensure that youth voice is heard and contributes to the collective decision making. These will traditionally include at least 15 opportunities for young leaders to assume the roles of as Drafting committee members, Rapporteurs of the Plenary sessions and Spotlight sessions, etc. In addition, daily inter-generational debriefs<sup>1</sup> will allow for informal exchanges between the youth delegates and senior IFRC leaders on the substance, procedures, progress, and follow-up of the Statutory meetings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To be confirmed.







## **IFRC YOUTH FORUM**

Venue: CICG, Rooms 3 and 4 (Ground floor)

<b>December 2-3</b> Re	gistration of the	delegates
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Youth Delegates will be able to register for all the meetings as of December 2 at the CICG.

# December 3

Morning Arrival of youth delegates and registration in the CICG

14:00 – 17:00 Regional RCRC Youth Networks meetings

18:00 – 20:00 Opening ceremony of the IFRC Youth Forum with the IFRC senior leadership

18:00-18:30 - Opening speeches by the IFRC:

- President
- IFRC Secretary General, and
- IFRC Youth Commission Overview of the IFRC Youth Commission's key achievements 2015-2019

18:30-19:00 - Introductions and Icebreakers

19:00-20:00 - Networking as per delegate's availability

## December 4

<ul> <li>09:15 – 09:30 IFRC Global Survey 2019 results overview (presented by Federico)</li> <li>09:30 – 10:00 Regional sessions on the regional finding of the Global Study 2019</li> <li>10:00 – 10:30 YES implementation Toolkit - inaugural launch (led by Lama and Azamat; interactive session with piloting countries engaged introduced by a video)</li> <li>10:30 – 12:00 YC 2019-2023 election<sup>2</sup> - introductory session (led by Amintsoa, Auner, and Lama – methodology tbc)</li> <li>12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break (lunch will not be provided)</li> </ul>	09:00 - 09:15	Welcome (Lama)
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<u>Session A: S2030</u> (1 hour, led by IFRC Innovation team and supported by Marie-Esther)

- Introduction of the major collective aspirations for the decade to come.
- Brainstorming on meta-strategies of implementation of the S2030 by National Societies.
- Role of young people as champions of the S2030 aspirations and the underlying philosophy for transformation.
- Messaging for the General Assembly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please note that room 17 (level -1 with 20 seats) is booked at the CICG on 9th December for the YC handover meeting.







<u>Session B: NSD Compact</u> (1 hour, led by the IFRC NSD team and supported by Lama and Azamat)

- Introduction of the NSD Framework and NSD Compact.
- Relationship between the organisational development and youth engagement (NSD Framework, NSD Compact, Youth Policy and YES).
- Youth engagement as a pillar of NSD and implications for the NSD Compact as placeholder for fostering effective institutional change process.
- Messaging for the General Assembly

14:00 – 15:00 Thematic sessions – Round 2 (choice of 2 sessions)

<u>Session C: Constitutional Review</u> (30 minutes and run two times)

<u>Session D: Education</u> (30 minutes and run two times)

Session E: Integrity and Accountability (30 minutes and run two times)

Session F: Gender and Diversity (30 minutes and run two times)

15:00 – 15:15 Closing ceremony