

Global Young Greens Congress



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8th to 14th of August 2010**

~ Youth Power for a Global Green Change ~

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Who we are

The Global Young Greens is an emerging universal organisation supporting and uniting the efforts of young people across the globe, who work towards ecological sustainability, social justice, grassroots democracy and peace.

Acknowledging that poverty, environmental degradation, political freedom and human rights are all inter-linked, we also recognize that all of our efforts for a safe, equitable world are different parts of the same battle.

After the founding congress in Nairobi, Kenya, in 2007, there was a small meeting in Sao Paolo, Brazil, in 2008. We are now planning our second congress in Berlin, Germany, in August 2010.

At this event we hope to unite 150 young green activists from all over the world, in order to work on topics such as gender equality, green economics, social justice, climate change and youth policies. We will offer trainings on how to lodge global campaigns, how to fundraise, how to facilitate trainings and on discussion culture.

It is our great interest that all regions of the world are present at this congress and to have a global intercultural dialogue. However, young people from developing countries need to be financially supported due to their often limited personal resources, limited opportunities for fundraising in their home countries and high travel expenses.

Therefore, we are looking for additional funding and would like to ask for your support. With your donation we can organize a great congress, in which especially these young green activists, from less-developed and environmentally fragile countries, can participate. It is vital for the whole green movement that those especially effected by natural disasters who are fighting for the environment and the survival of their people are included in global discussions and policy making. If you are interested we can offer you certain advertising opportunities.

We would be very grateful if you consider supporting us in our efforts in any way. For any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Draft Programme

Sunday, 8th August: Arrival Day

Monday, 9th August

- 10:00- Welcoming
13:00 History of GYG
14:30-17:30 Workshops
- Gender in a Postmodern World (Henning von Bargen*)
 - Climate Refugee Migration (Heinrich-Böll-Foundation Ethiopia*)
 - Organic vs. Local Food (Carlo Petrini, founder of the Slow Food Society*)
 - Youth Policies (Emilie Turunen, MEP*)
- 17:30 Interactive drawing to present each country
Getting to know each other

Tuesday, 10th August

- 10:00-13:00 Trainings
- Practical Campaign Training and Planning a Global Campaign (AVAAZ*)
 - Fundraising Training (Jens Watenphul, Living Colour*)
 - Training on Facilitation
 - Democracy Training (Bezavta*)
- Workshop on Structural Restructuring of GYG (GYG Steering Committee)
- 14:30-18:00 Regional Meetings
- Asian Pacific Young Greens
 - African Young Greens
 - American Young Greens
 - European Young Greens
- Evening Programme
- 18:30-20:30 Panel Discussion on "How can small farmers work in a sustainable way?" (Open for the general public)

* to be confirmed

Wednesday, 11th August

- 10:00- City Tour through Berlin
13:00
14:30-17:30 Workshops
- Queer Theory (Uta Schirner, University of Francfort*)
 - Alternative Currencies (Regiogeld.de*)
 - Impact of Climate Change on Vulnerable People
 - Global Trade (Weed*)
- 17:30-19:00 Open Space
20:00 Movie Session

Thursday, 12th August

- 10:00-13:00 Plenary Discussion on Restructuring of GYG
14:30-17:30 Workshops
- Global Energy Market (ERENE*)
 - How should be the Relation between Young Greens and political parties? (Janna Schönfeld, GYG*; Bob Brown, GG*)
 - What does Development Mean? (Michael Kömm, DIE*)
 - Dependency on Water and how to Preserve it (Friends of the Earth Europe*)
- 18:30-20:30 Panel Discussion on "Is it Possible to Green our Economy or Do We Rather Need a Change in the System?"
(Open for the general public)

Friday, 13th August

- 10:00- Elections of the Steering Committee
14:00 Decision on Proposal for a Global Campaign
16:00-18:00 Action on Global Justice
21:00 Big Goodbye Party

Saturday, 14th August: Departure Day

Draft Calculations

This is an overview over our finances and the lack we are still facing. We especially need financial support for flights and accommodation.

Spending	Amount in € for one person	Amount of People	Total Amount in €
Central Fund (Financial Travel Assistance for people from less-developed countries)	1.100	60	66.000
Accommodation	18,50 x 6 nights = 111	150	16.650
Food	15 x 6 days = 90	150	13.500
Drinks	2 x 6 days = 12	200	1.800
Speakers			
- Travel Costs	100	15	1.500
- Salary	100	15	1.500
- Accommodation	45	15	675
Materials (indications, decoration, printings, homepage etc.)	-	-	2.000
Office spendings (phone calls, internet connection etc.)	-	-	2.000
			105.625
Income			
Participation Fee (Reduction possible for people from less-developed countries)	180	150	27.000

Support by Heinrich Böll Foundation

- Travel Assistance for 15 people from less-developed countries
- the location, technical and personnel support for the whole time exceeding the costs of about €30.000

We hope that our concept convinced you and we are looking forward to a well working cooperation!

Yours sincerely,

your GYG Congress Preparation Team