



Young Reporters
for the environment

25th
Anniversary
1994-2019

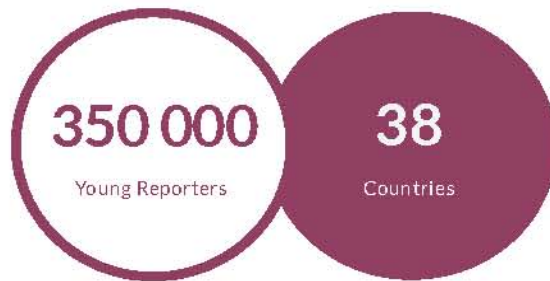
Young Reporters for the Environment

Giving our Environment a Voice

FOUNDATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION
© 2019 YOUNG REPORTERS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Young Reporters for the Environment

Young Reporters for the Environment (YRE) empowers young people aged 11-25 to take an educated stand on environmental issues they feel strongly about and to give them a platform to articulate these issues through the media of writing, photography and video.



The YRE programme offers these enthusiastic youngsters a chance to make their voices heard and to feel that their voice matters. The ultimate goal of these young reporters is to highlight environmental issues and to have them righted by the appropriate authorities. By giving them this opportunity, YRE engenders in them the desire to actively protect and speak up for environment.

The programme develops young people's knowledge about environmental issues and enhances a number of lifelong skills including communication, global citizenship, individual initiative, teamwork, critical analysis, and leadership.

The Sustainable Development Goals are at the heart of the programme and are promoted through the YRE International Competition.

YRE is one out of five programmes run globally by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS



SPONSOR



"The YRE programme provides the foundation and the tools for us to gather knowledge, insight, understanding and technical skills to pursue our mission of making the world a greener place, by getting the community involved and connecting with people."



- Joana Pedro and Filipa Murta, Young Reporters from Portugal

The YRE programme offers:

- ✓ 4-Step Methodology
(Investigate - Research Solution - Report - Disseminate)
- ✓ Development of life-long skills
- ✓ Annual International YRE Competition
- ✓ Participation in international conferences
- ✓ Workshops and Missions
- ✓ Global network of more than 35 countries



Garbage Feast

Every day, over 40,000 tons of garbage is produced in Seoul. This garbage is burnt and pollutes the atmosphere, buried underground and deteriorates soil quality, and destroys the aquatic ecosystem through irresponsible disposal.

Wonjae Lee (17)
1st Place Winner
YRE Competition 2018

YRE International Competition

Every year the most inspiring, well-researched and creative YRE entries are assessed by a professional Jury and have the chance of being recognised on a global scale.

The YRE Competition consists of:

- Three age categories: 11-14, 15-18, 19-25 years
- Three media categories: article, photo, video
- International Collaboration
- Entries from the Litter Less Campaign



Competition entries from previous years

"If sustainable development is to be a reality, youth will be at the centre of the necessary transition. Today's consumers, tomorrow's decision makers – youth will define our success. The YRE winners represent some of these potential change makers."

- Garrette Clark, UN Environment, YRE Jury Member



YRE Litter Less Campaign
National Operator, Wales

Inspiring Scouts Group

The highlight of the Campaign was the enthusiasm and commitment of the 1st Johnston Scout Group, Pembrokeshire which culminated in them winning the YRE International Competition for Article 11-14 years. They thoroughly researched their project and adhered to the YRE methodology, got the views of their community and spread the word of the plight of gannets on the Island of Grassholm far and wide.



Young Reporters at COP 24 in Poland
Wesley Poh, Singapore

An Unparalleled Opportunity!

The experience at COP 24 has undeniably broadened my mind. It has taught me to analyse issues holistically and to avoid using reductionist tendencies like oversimplifying complex problems just for the sake of easy understanding. The realities are a lot more complicated than most of us are comfortable with, but this should not intimidate us!



Young Reporters at UN Peace Summit in Thailand
Joanna Tao, New Zealand

The Touch of a Young Heart

The moment I met her, I knew she was special. Children like her who grew up in the slum community have a childhood that is often opposite of the idea of an innocent and ideal childhood that you and I had. Her childhood wasn't about toys, playgrounds and sandy beaches, her childhood involved walking on uneven and rough grounds, helping her mother, cleaning the house, and being responsible for her little brother...

Read the full story on: yreint.exposure.co

Future Youth Leaders trained in Education for Sustainable Development

In 2018, 42 young people from all over the world gathered in Almada, Portugal for one of the biggest international missions so far. During this three-day workshop, the participants attended various sessions on Education for Sustainable Development, conducted field research on environmental projects in the area, and created inspiring journalistic pieces which were presented and discussed. Many of them are now acting as environmental leaders back in their own communities.

The workshop was realised as a cooperation between UNESCO and Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).



Contact

If you are interested in the YRE programme, do not hesitate to contact us:



Malgorzata (Gosia) Luszczyk
International YRE Director
Foundation for Environmental Education

gosia@fee.global
+45 6124 8085

