

Engaging Youth in Sustainable Mountain Development (Y4SMD)

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Introducing new advocates of Mountain Agenda

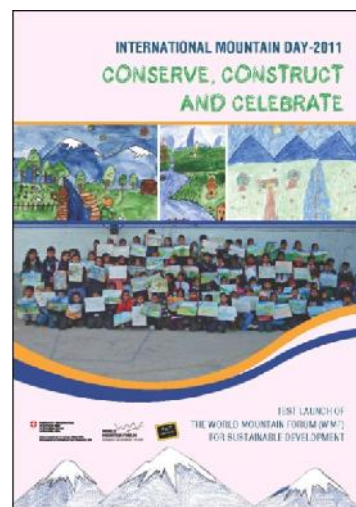
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e-discussion summary

The Young Can Do! Let's Protect Forests with Our Hands

April-May 2009



Special issue on youth and climate change

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Art in all its forms is a powerful means of communication.

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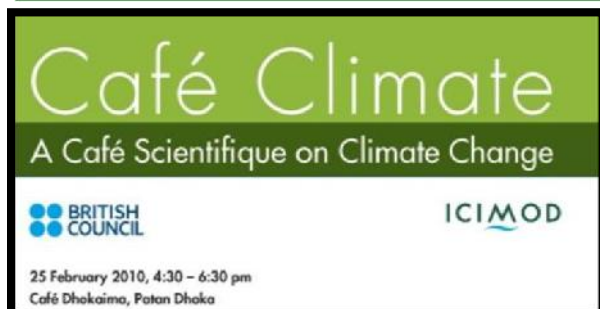
TRANSITION TOWARDS A GREEN ECONOMY: THE SOUTH ASIAN

Highlighting the Mountain Agenda for Rio+20 Preparations

Youth capacity building...

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Youth Forum Empowering Youth with Earth Observation Information for Climate Actions

1-6 October 2010, ICIMOD, Kathmandu
Kathmandu, Nepal



Youth Engagement on CC& Rio+20



Youth Corner

**HKH 2010, Bhutan
Summit 2011,
Pakistan and
Bangladesh
2011/12**

Raising the 'voice'

Globalizing the issues

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Asia Pacific Youth Forum 2011

August 2011

February 2012

Virtual Consultation



Earth Debate in the Hindu Kush-Himalayas

Ecosystem economics – can we put a price on nature?

24 February 2012, ICIMOD, Kathmandu, Nepal
Video link with
Dhaka, Bangladesh; Beijing, China; and Vizag and Kochi, India

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'Youth and Adaptation' Panel, 'Opening' and 'Closing' speakers



ASIA PACIFIC
ADAPTATION
NETWORK

2nd Asia-Pacific Climate Change Adaptation Forum

MAINSTREAMING ADAPTATION INTO DEVELOPMENT:
ADAPTATION in ACTION

12-13 March 2012
United Nations Conference Center
Bangkok, Thailand

March



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Youth Perspectives on Promoting Green Economy in South and Central Asia

With a focus on mountain regions

27 March 2012
12:30 PM
International
Convention Centre
Excel Hotel
Room No. 17
London, UK

March

Mountain Pavilion Event

Global Youth Forum on Mountain Issues and Sustainable Actions

A multi-stakeholder dialogue
on youth engagement
for sustainable mountain
development

ICIMOD launched the Youth for Sustainable Mountain
Development (YSMD) initiative in 2009 aiming to
mainstream youth in mountain development processes.
The initiative has organized youth forums on different
thematic areas and has received support from various
partners.

15 June 2012
11:00–13:00
Mountain Pavilion
Rio de Janeiro,
Brazil

June

Mountain Youth's Appeal to
Rio+20 Delegates

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Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft
Confédération suisse
Confederazione Svizzera
Confederaziun svizra
Swiss Agency for Development
and Cooperation SDC



ICIMOD Youth with Prime
Minister of Nepal

Post-Rio+20 responses...

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Asia Pacific Graduates' Youth Forum on Green Economy
25-29 September 2012, ICIMOD Headquarters, Kathmandu

Post-Rio+20 responses...

Preparing for UNFCCC COP 18

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**Sameera
Zaib/Pakistan**



**From left: Timila Dhakwa/Nepal,
Marufa Ishaque/Bangladesh,
Sagar Aryal/Nepal, Rozita
Singh/India, and Netra
Chap/Cambodia.**



**May Zin
Thaw/Myanmar**

...and National Youth Forums?

Why? Where? When? - **Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan**

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- Two to three-day capacity building events, driven by young champions of green solutions in their own country.
- These forums allow youth to share knowledge and network as well as listen to expert accounts of global and regional efforts for sustainable mountain development.
- **Opening and closing sessions** featuring representatives from local organizations, ICIMOD, senior government officials, and participants
- **Technical session:** Local experts present local issues and their global linkages
- **Motivational session**
- **Knowledge management, group work, experience sharing, and social networking sessions**
- **Field visit**
- **Intergenerational Sustainability Dialogue**

ICIMOD strives to ensure that at least 30% of the selected participants come from a rural background and the gender division of participants is equal.

National Youth Forums...

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**4-6 December 2012
Islamabad, Pakistan**

**1 December 2012
Doha, Qatar**



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**6-8 December 2012
Kathmandu, Nepal**

**9-11 December 2012
Rishikesh, India**



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**14-16 December 2012
Thimpu, Bhutan**

**11, 18-19 December 2012
Rangamati CHT, Bangladesh**



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**2-4 February 2013
Yangon, Myanmar**

**26-27 March 2013
Kabul, Afghanistan**



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210. We recognize that the benefits derived from mountain regions are essential for sustainable development. Mountain ecosystems play a crucial role in providing water resources to a large portion of the world's population; fragile mountain ecosystems are particularly vulnerable to the adverse impacts of climate change, deforestation and forest degradation, land use change, land degradation and natural disasters; and mountain glaciers around the world are retreating and getting thinner, with increasing impacts on the environment and human well-being.

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211. We further recognize that mountains are often home to communities, including indigenous peoples and local communities, that have developed sustainable uses of mountain resources. These communities are, however, often marginalized, and we therefore stress that continued effort will be required to address poverty, food security and nutrition, social exclusion and environmental degradation in these areas. We invite States to strengthen cooperative action with effective involvement and sharing of experience of all relevant stakeholders, by strengthening existing arrangements, agreements and centres of excellence for sustainable mountain development, as well as exploring new arrangements and agreements, as appropriate.

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212. We call for greater efforts towards the conservation of mountain ecosystems, including their biodiversity. We encourage States to adopt a long-term vision and holistic approaches, including by incorporating mountain-specific policies into national sustainable development strategies, which could include, inter alia, poverty reduction plans and programmes for mountain areas, particularly in developing countries. In this regard, we call for international support for sustainable mountain development in developing countries.

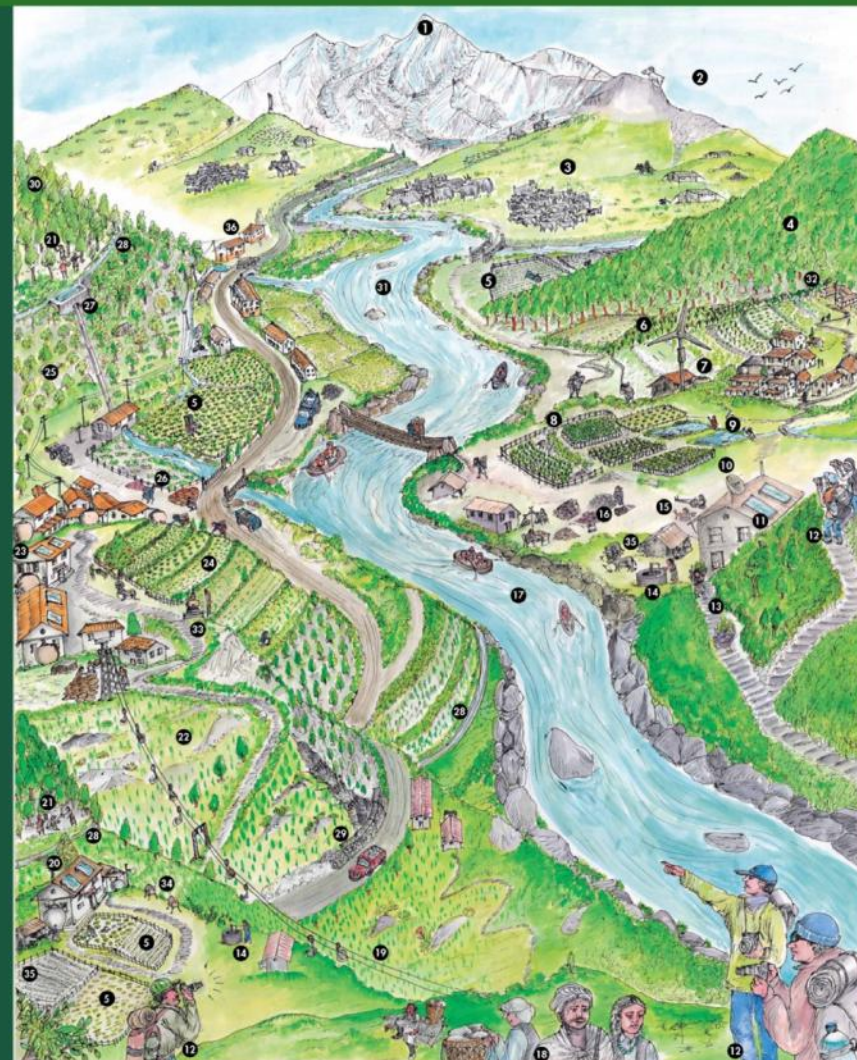
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Green Economy for Sustainable Mountain Development

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| 6 Cardamom farming | 14 Small-scale biogas production | 22 Afforestation | 28 Mountain irrigation | 36 Cheese factory |
| 7 Wind power | 15 Cottage industry | | 29 Landslide protection measures | |
| 8 Nursery | 16 Herbal plant collection centre | | 30 Community forest | |

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