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# YOUTH MESSAGE FOR THE UNEP GC/GMEF

The future that *we* want

WE WOULD LIKE THE GC TO  
REMEMBER THAT....

**Youth inherit the consequences of  
the policy decisions taken now.**



## **Youth reactions on the Rio+20 Zero Draft**

- Much much more ambition required!
- Theoretical vs practical scope

## **Youth reactions on the UNEP GC Draft Decisions**

- Forming groups here lobbying for changes



# GREEN ECONOMY - *in the context of Poverty Eradication and Sustainable Development.*

- Concrete quotas and targets for youth jobs by fixed date
- Pro-poor focus
- Consensus on definition of Green Economy
- Consensus on principles of equality and equitability
- Capacity Building and provision of funds for countries which are starting the transition to green economy on an unequal footing



# GOVERNANCE – *Strengthening of Institutional Framework for Sustainable Development.*

- Weak language in Zero Draft
- Upgrading of UNEP for more results and delivery
- Zero Draft weak on Specialized Agency – how, why, and to what effect?
- Call for Ombudsperson for future generations – more details needed
- International Environmental Court
- More inclusive frameworks for youth participation at local, national and international levels



# OBJECTIVES

- Call upon GC to cement ambition in Zero Draft, which is currently lacking
- Call upon fixed goals, evaluation criteria, principles and timescales.

WHY NOT?



# RENEWED POLITICAL COMMITMENT

- We urge this GC and beyond to take more concerted and dedicated actions to implement Agenda 21
- We ask ministers to substantiate words with commitments, through funds and **securing resources** for action plans to take place
- We ask for consensus on Sustainable Development Goals so that the process can be equitable to all concerned
- We call for **AMBITION** and **POLITICAL WILL** to prevent Rio from becoming.. just another talking shop.



**ZERO DRAFT**



**Y U NO SET GOALS AND  
TIMESCALE??**



**IF RIO+20 HAS TO DO  
WITH MY FUTURE**



**THEN WHY AM I NOT PART  
OF IT?**



# YOUTH ACTIONS AROUND THE WORLD



Local and regional efforts

Road to Rio: several regional meetings and youth statements

Rio+20 music contest: to allow youth to express their views through the universal language of music



MyCity+20: giving youth experience about Rio+20 through simulations



Major Group of Children and Youth mobilising thousands of volunteers in working groups such as campaigns for youth delegates, capacity building, local actions

# WE URGE THE GC/GMEF

- Not to let our efforts, passion, and hopes go to waste.

(We are The Future Remember!!!!!!)

