

UN CSD Youth Caucus

CSD-18 FUNDED YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE APPLICATION

The 18th session of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD-18) will be held from 3th to 14th May 2010 at the UN Headquarters, New York. We are happy to announce two funded places for youth representation at CSD-18, thanks to [InWEnt](#) on behalf of the [German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development \(BMZ\)](#)

Selected youth representatives will receive full funding to cover return ticket to New York, accommodation and daily subsistence for the period of CSD-18. While the United States Consular officers reserve the final authority to issue visas, the Youth Caucus leadership will, as much as possible, assist selected participants who require visa to enter the United States.

Supported participants will be demanded to:

1. participate actively and regularly for the full duration of CSD-18 (mandatory stay in New York between 3-14 May 2010 as well as daily conference attendance)
2. participate in any pre-CSD-18 youth activity that may be organised, including online consultations, Youth Blast, etc.
3. participate in the meetings of the major group Youth and Children during CSD 18
4. collaborate with the German delegation and InWEnt before, during and after CSD-18 on sustainable development activities
5. write a 4-5 pages report covering youth activities and engagements at CSD-18; also reviewing the personal contributions to these activities
6. undertake briefing events before and after CSD-18 for youth and youth-serving organisations in his/her country as a means of knowledge sharing on sustainable development issues and CSD.

The following selection criteria will be used:

- age (up to 26 years)
- gender balance (preferably 1 male and 1 female)
- geographical preference (only applicants from African countries will be considered)
- applicants should have been engaged in a youth organisation since at least two years, and demonstrate support from his/her organisation in the application
- the main focus of the applicant's engagements should be within the thematic clusters/areas of CSD-18 (Transport, Chemicals, Waste Management, Mining, Sustainable Consumption & Production Patterns)
- good English skills.

Interested persons who meet the above criteria should complete the application form below.

Note:

Please note that young people who do not meet the above criteria, or who may not emerge successfully from this funding process are encouraged to seek alternative support to be able to attend CSD-18. The Youth Caucus leadership will do its best to facilitate accreditation for all youth applicants, as much as possible. Please keep checking our website www.youen.org for updates on youth accreditation.

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Please provide brief responses to the following questions. All applications should be submitted by email to csd.18.youthcaucus@gmail.com by Monday 15 February 2010.

SECTION A

FULL NAME (as in passport): _____

GENDER: _____

DATE OF BIRTH (as in passport): _____

PASSPORT NUMBER: _____

COUNTRY: _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

FAX (mandatory): _____

SECTION B

(Using the pre-determined space under each question, please provide brief answers to the following questions. Your application should not be more than 3 pages)

1. Describe briefly your educational/professional background

2. Which of the six UN languages will you use at the CSD-18?

3. Describe the organization you represent and your position.

4. What are your involvements within sustainable development and the themes for CSD-18 (Transport, Chemicals, Waste Management Mining, Sustainable Consumption & Production Patterns);

5. Have you been involved in the CSD Youth Caucus and how did you receive this application form?

6. Have you been involved in any regional or international youth summits or other conferences about sustainability? If Yes! Describe some recent ones.

7. Are you available to participate in list serve discussions and to work intensively around the preparations until CSD-18?

8. Please provide the name, email address and telephone number of someone in your organization or network that can verify this information and act as a reference person for you.

9. What could your organization or network do to support you in preparation and wrap-up of CSD-18? How are you planning to involve your group, network or other youths in the CSD-process? How are you planning to share your experiences with them?

10. In less than 150 words, please explain why you require financial support with regard to your participation in the CSD-18.