

CYMG Interventions on Relevant Activities of Summit of the Future

Intervention at Stakeholder Consultation on Revised Draft Pact for the Future 30 May 2024

Delivered Virtually by Samuel Jose (Indonesia)

Thank you Excellencies the Co-Facilitators and All Distinguished Delegates,

- 1. Children and Youth Major Group is the formal youth engagement mechanism to the UN Environment Programme that is an independent and youth-led working for environmental governance across the UN system.
- 2. **First,** in Chapter 1, Action 9 on the acceleration of efforts to protect the environment:
 - → CYMG welcomes and appreciates the commitment to address environmental degradation, biodiversity loss, and finalize the International Legally Binding Instrument on Plastic Pollution by 2024 under the action 9 of the Chapter.
 - → However, we suggest incremental efforts to also mention resource efficiency and circularity, science policy interface and informed decision making, nature-based solutions, and human-rights based approach to achieve environmental justice within the text.
- 3. <u>Second</u>, in Chapter 4, in general, this chapter should address the children and youth impacted by climate change and environmental degradations, and urging the international community to ensure green jobs, just energy transition, and capacity building for young people and their livelihood is addressed. We welcome the annexed Draft Declaration on Future Generations to consider coherent stipulations to these demands.
- 4. **Third,** in Chapter 5, Action 51 on strengthening international governance for environment:
 - → CYMG welcomes the mandate for the UN Environmental **Assembly to explore options** in strengthening implementation of commitments, compliance, and accountability within global environmental governance.
 - → As stipulated by the Global Youth Environmental Declaration adopted by the Youth Assembly convened by CYMG on the sideline of UNEA 6, we call on all parties to institutionalize the principle of intergenerational equity in global environmental governance and encourage stronger commitment to environmental multilateralism.
- 5. Thank you very much.

> Intervention at Stakeholder Consultation on Revised Draft Declaration on Future Generations

12 June 2024

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Excellencies the Co-Facilitators and all esteemed participants,

- 1. We have 4 points to deliver, guided by our position adopted at the Global Youth Environmental Declaration adopted by the Youth Environmental Assembly 2024 on the sideline of Sixth UN Environmental Assembly:
- 2. First, the preamble section should acknowledge the term triple planetary crisis as one of the greatest challenges that impact the youth and future generations in inheriting a sustainable, healthy, and liveable planet.
- 3. Second, in the guiding principles section, we welcome article 14 that has advocated our vision.
 - → However, the guiding principles should also consider the impact of the environment on peacebuilding, environmental justice, and reform of global environmental governance.
- 4. Third, on commitment, we must pledge the commitment to add the term "green jobs for youth" on paragraph 26 of the draft. Our position in this context is clear, not other than advancing the green jobs for youth pact implementation.
- 5. Fourth, on actions section, we stress 2 demands:
 - → First, to also include **science-policy interface** as an important measure to bridge the gap between scientific evidence and policy making in resolving sustainable development challenges **that embrace youth engagement**.
 - → Second, to strengthen the institutional role of the UN Assistant Secretary General Office for Youth, in ensuring stronger coordination and synergy across the UN system to promote greater works and investment for youth engagement.
- 6. For a stronger multilateralism we want, thank you very much.

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