



United Nations Secretary-General's Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change

Selection criteria for second cohort: 2023-24

The Secretary-General's Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change provides the Secretary-General with practical and outcome-focused advice, diverse youth perspectives and concrete recommendations, with a clear focus on accelerating the implementation of his Climate Action agenda.

Convened under the auspices of the UN's first-ever system-wide youth strategy, Youth2030, and the Our Common Agenda, the Youth Advisory Group serves as a mechanism for the Secretary-General to hear directly from young people, as the UN works to accelerate global climate action, and drive forward all 17 Sustainable Development Goals.

The next cohort of the Youth Advisory Group will serve for a period of two years (2023-2024). The group will be selected and appointed by the Secretary-General from a pool of candidates nominated by respected youth- and climate-focused non-governmental and civil society organizations around the world.

The Group will be selected so as to reflect a wide diversity of voices from all regions of the world, and an inclusive range of life experiences, perspectives, and areas of expertise. However, as it is not possible for a seven-member group to reflect the full diversity of the global youth climate movement, the Group will be expected to consult widely across global youth networks and include perspectives from outside of the Group in their advice to the Secretary-General.

Nominated candidates must be between the ages of 15 to 29, and will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Demonstrated commitment to the UN's values and to working for youth rights and climate justice;
- Member, founder, or leader of a youth led climate action movement, organization or programme at the global, regional, national or grassroots level;



- Proven ability to collaborate with diverse stakeholders across the global youth climate movement;
- Strong analytic and communication skills;
- Familiarity with existing conventions, policy instruments, and/or other intergovernmental processes on climate change;
- Ability to leave organizational and country affiliations aside and serve in an individual capacity.

For comments and questions, please contact us via email: youthenvoy@un.org