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A network of gender equality champions driving dialogue, action and positive change.

ABOUT THE NETWORK

The 30 for 2030 initiative will put young people central to solution building, policy-making and sustainable change.

The network will support young representatives to develop innovative gender equality solutions and engage with a broader range of stakeholders. Members will provide expertise on youth and gender issues, design innovative solutions and campaigns, encourage the mobilization of young people and facilitate the dissemination of information to networks and organizations around the region.

ROLE OF THE NETWORK

- INSPIRE
- MOBILIZE
- CONNECT
- TRANSFORM

MEETTHE MEMBERS

2024-2025 cohort







- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Mental Health
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation

Alishba Tayyab | 24, Pakistan

Alishba Tayyab is the CEO and Founder of Green HRS, a lecturer at FAST NUCES, Lahore and the Head of HR Operations at HYFATech. Passionate about youth activism and breaking glass ceiling, she founded WSHR, advocating for women's leadership in Pakistan. A Global UGRAD alumna, she studied leadership at California State University, aiming to foster entrepreneurship among youth and Pakistani women. A proactive volunteer, she focuses on climate change and Green HR practices, showcased through her diverse achievements and contributions in various organizations and publications.









Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Rural Women
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights

Aisha Lareb Memon | 24, Pakistan

Aisha Lareb is a doctor by profession, writer, and woman right activist. As the founder of Conversation For Change, she leads initiatives aimed at promoting Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) in her community. Aisha's dedication to breaking taboos and providing essential resources has positively impacted thousands of lives. She is recipient of 50 Leading Light, and Young Emerging Leaders Award. She believes that women posses the right to express their sexual identity without fear, shame, or jeopardizing their reproductive health.









- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Mental Health
- + Rural Women
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + LGBTIQ+
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Displaced and Immigration
- + People with Disabilities
- + SRHR
- + Arts & Women in Education

Ally Zlatar | 27, Australia

Ally Zlatar is an artist, scholar and activist. She is the founder of The Starving Artist; an artist initiative that utilizes creative arts as a way to create advocacy and systemic reform. Through artistic voices, exhibitions, publications, workshops, and more she connects emerging voices and key players to collaborate and drive transformation. She recognizes the power in examining the unwell body and utilizes art as a means of activism, aiming to spark dialogue and create societal impact.







Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Rural Women
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Energy Justice
- + SDGs

Ayu Pratiwi Muyasyaroh | 31, Indonesia

Ayu has been an SDG storyteller since 2018. She uses stories to mobilize 1000+ Indonesians, to be actively involved in the global goals. As a recognition to her work in SDG, she received an Honourable Mention in the theme of Arts and Media for the 2020 EWC Earth Optimism Awards held by the East-West Centre in a partnership with the Smithsonian Conservation Commons. This award recognizes the efforts and achievements in Southeast Asia who made a positive difference to the environment. Currently works as a researcher, she now uses research to continue her work in SDG. She has published two journal articles, three Op-Eds, covering topics around just transition, carbon pricing, and sustainability advocacy.







- + Climate Change
- + Rural Women
- + Economic Empowerment

Bayang | 22, China

Bayang, a 22-year-old environmentalist from Qinghai Province, China, has been keeping an eco-diary since 2018, documenting species, water sources, weather, and plant observations. In 2020, her family pioneered the zero-waste movement in Nasuoni Village, setting an example for 198 households by avoiding plastic and disposables. In 2021, she joined the "Sanjiangyuan Women Environmentalists Network" with UN Women China's China Gender Fund for Research and Advocacy (CGF) program support, emerging as an advocate for health and sustainability. Bayang crafts eco-friendly products like lip balm, handmade soap and bags made of recycled clothes to protect local water sources and inspire others to join the environmental cause.





Areas of work

- + Poverty
- + Women in Education
- + Animal Welfare

Coco | 17, China / Thailand

Coco is a student, as well as a human and animal welfare activist. To her, being a well-rounded global-citizen, who is always trying to make the world a better place, is the way to advance our society. She is the founder of Food Bank & Local Communities, the first circulating food bank chain in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Her work not only raises awareness on poverty and zero hunger but also advocates for youth education. She co-founded BarrierMUN, a nonprofit dedicated to raising the voice of Thai students and introducing them to the English language in diplomatic relations. Furthermore, she is on the youth leadership board for many animal charities. Recently, she has become an avid education activist from her personal family experience when she was forced to move away from her school in Chiang Mai.







- + Climate Change
- + Rural Women
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Agriculture & food security

28, Philippines Christine Jodloman

Christine Jodloman is an agriculture advocate from a family of farmers in the Philippines. She has 10 years of experience in designing, implementing, monitoring, and sustaining programs for rural farming communities. She is currently the Director of Community Development and Programs at AGREA Foundation. Her mission is focused on unlocking the potential of rural farmers, youth and women in agriculture towards food systems transformation, through agriculture education, disaster risk mitigation in agriculture, and climate change resilience. With her work in the past 10 years, she was able to contribute in reaching and co-creating impact with 40,000 farmers in the Philippines.













Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Economic **Empowerment**

Ence Adinda Dianasta Almas

29, Indonesia

Ence, an Activist, Social Entrepreneur, Founder and Director of iLitterless Indonesia, leads a grassroots NGO focused on circular economy-based waste management. With nearly five years of gender equality advocacy, she addresses climate issues particularly affecting Women and Girls. In 2023, Ence collaborated with UN Women Indonesia, notably at the Youth Camp 2023, where she introduced initiatives to manage textile waste whilst empowering seamstresses in her home country. Ence also partnered with local organizations to improve sanitation in female farming communities, earning recognition as the most proactive NGO in LEAD Indonesia 2023.









- + Women in Engineering
- + Clean Technology & Innovations
- + Water & Sanitation Infrastructure
- + Agricultural Technology
- + Renewable Energy Integration & Governance
- + Climate Action

Faazla Iqbal | 24, Pakistan

Faazla is a trailblazing Electrical Engineer from Pakistan, breaking gender barriers and championing sustainability through Agri-Innovation. Her mantra, "There is nothing that can stop you when you truly strive to do something in life," inspires women to pursue engineering. She revolutionized Pakistan's food, water and energy sector with her solar powered auto-irrigation system reinforcing water conservation, food security and renewable energy efficiency, earning the "Inspiring Woman in Clean Energy" award. Author of a key book on solar-powered irrigation, Faazla's work fosters sustainable development and empowers several Pakistani women to excel in STEM.







Areas of work

+ Climate Change

Farzana Faruk Jhumu | 25, Bangladesh

Farzana Faruk Jhumu (She/Her) is a climate activist from Dhaka, Bangladesh. She co-founded Kaathpencil, an organization for teaching unprivileged children in her area who have to move to the city because of climate disasters. She is a youth leader of the feminist action coalition for climate justice from the Generation Equality Forum with UN women. She is the youth advocate of UNICEF Bangladesh and a Leading Mind Fellow on Climate with UNICEF Innocenti. She coordinates with Fridays for Future MAPA(Most Affected People and Areas) and Fridays for Future International. She worked with 350 Bangladesh to campaign for a green new deal in Bangladesh.









- + Climate Change
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights
- + Environmental Rights
- + Policy Advocacy & Health

Fithriyyah | 27, Indonesia

Fithriyyah is a Medical Doctor and environmental youth activist since 2015 from Indonesia. She is actively advocating for the right to a safe, clean, healthy, and sustainable environment at the regional and international levels. She is on the Medical Advocate Team for Doctor Without Stigma and is also a part of the Youth Advisory Group at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Centre for Climate Change and Planetary Health. Additionally, she represents ASEAN Youth Forum to ASEAN Environmental Rights Working Group on behalf of the youth group representative.











Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Mental Health
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Women in Sports

Gauri Agarwal | 23, India

Gauri Agarwal is a former tennis player, youth leader, and a sports business management professional with a strong interest in technology and innovation. By being on the Tennis Australia Research Panel, she has actively contributed to sports digital innovation. Gauri believes in the potential sport possesses in bringing about positive change for the global community. She has been a strong advocate of Sport for Sustainability and Women Empowerment. As a Young Sports Maker, Gauri steers towards impactful contributions and is motivated to create lasting change in the world of sports, ensuring it's an inclusive and progressive field for future generations.









- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Rural Women
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights

Geilee Skandakumar 23, Sri Lanka

Geilee is the founder of the Gender Justice Collective in Sri Lanka and a dedicated advocate for gender equality, human rights, SRHR, GBV, and OGBV. With extensive experience in communications and research, she has developed and executed impactful media strategies and conducted thorough political and social research. Geilee is passionate about fostering societal well-being through leadership, collaboration, and effective communication, and she is committed to advancing comprehensive sexuality education and gender justice in her community. Recognized as the Best Young Leader of the Year 2023 in Sri Lanka, Geilee, consistently strives to make a positive impact.











Areas of work

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- + People with Disabilities
- + Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights
- + Technology & Innovation

Henry Mitchel Bensley | 27, Sri Lanka

Henry Mitchel is an eco-social worker and activist, serving as a member of the MenEngage Youth Reference Group and a Board Member of MenEngage Alliance, representing youth. He is also a champion of the Climate Action Champions Network. His work focuses on climate change, gender, community education, technology, and innovation. He has a diverse background in youth-led initiatives and has received awards for leadership and innovation. Henry is also a co-founder of Meraki Sri Lanka and is committed to transformative change, inspired by the philosophy of Ubuntu.









- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Women in Sports

28, India Isabelle Thomas

As an intersectional environmentalist, Isabelle has emerged as a young sustainability leader in Kerala, championing conscious consumerism and ocean conservation. She is the Co-Founder of BhuME Women's Collective, a women-focused social enterprise that upcycles textile waste into innovative products. She is a Global Shaper and her coastal roots fuel her mission to foster relational marine value orientation among local youth and to enable more in leading impactful initiatives that drive positive change.









Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + People with Disabilities
- + SRHR
- + Women in Sports
- + Agenda 2030 & the SDGs
- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Technology & Innovation

Joshua Dilawar 30, Pakistan

Joshua Dilawar is a feminist advocate and social entrepreneur with over a decade of experience in human rights, SRHR and gender equality. As the founder of ISYD and National Coordinator of YPEER Pakistan, he conducts impactful projects and campaigns and also leverages art to drive behaviour change. He has performed 1500+ theatre pieces, trained 25+ groups, and led campaigns like "AbOrNahi", "Theatre for Social Change", "Period Pride" and has pioneered the "Meri Awaz" project for Deaf youth. He has received numerous accolades, including the Prime Minister's Youth Excellence Award, Gates Institute's Leadership Award, SPEAK Champions' Award, and is a Women Deliver Young Leader, 120Under40 Champion, and Swedish Institute Leadership Champion.











Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation

Kaidi Ru | 29, China

Kaidi Ru is an energy and urban infrastructure consultant with interests in technology, development, public policy, and the water-food-energy nexus.

Outside of work, she is a 2024 World Bank Max Thabiso Edkins Climate Ambassador, a YOUNGO-nominated observer to the UNFCCC Technology Executive

Committee (TEC), and a member of the UNFCCC Climate Technology Centre & Network (CTCN) Gender and Climate Technology Expert Roster. Kaidi holds a BA in International Development from King's College London and an MPhil in Management with commendation from the University of Cambridge.







Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Women and Data

Lhazin Nedup | 32, Bhutan

Lhazin works at the intersection of urban planning, social innovation, and climate action. She has 10+ years of experience spanning non-profit, private sector, and the UN across Canada, Peru, and Bhutan. She worked on programme design, strategy, and implementation to support the advancement of urban innovation towards low carbon and inclusive cities in Canada. Currently, she leads the private sector portfolio at UNDP Bhutan focusing on economic policy support and resource mobilization. Lhazin holds an MSc in International Planning (UCL), and a BA in International Development and Sociology (Trent University).







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- + Technology & Innovation

Maria Iqbal Shah | 21, Pakistan

Maria Igbal Shah, a nursing student at Aga Khan University, is a dedicated advocate for sustainable development and the UN SDGs. She actively engages in health and well-being research and initiatives. She is a core member of Y-PEER Asia Pacific, Me for Myself International Mental Health Campaign, and a youth content creator at UNICEF South Asia. An alumna of Harvard's Aspire Leaders Program and the New York Academy of Sciences' STEM U Mentoring Program, she has contributed to climate resilience and excels in business consulting and global forums, emphasizing SRHR, mental health, climate action, and quality healthcare.













Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Women in Sports

Mahima Bhagat 26, India

Mahima Bhagat, a Consultant in Deloitte India's Cloud Strategy team, has a robust background in Big4 firms, specializing in Tax Consulting and Customer Strategy. An avid sports enthusiast, she has won competitions in badminton and lawn tennis. Mahima's dedication extends to social causes, having contributed as a pro-bono consultant in Impact Consulting and served as a Startup Manager for MSME's Entrepreneur Vision. Mahima mentors girls and guiding them in career development plans at Udayan Care NGO. She aims to promote gender equality in sports through the 'Bridging Project'.









- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Mental Health
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights

Mekthida Boulom 19, Lao PDR

Mekthida Boulom, a passionate youth leader, champions mental health and Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) advocacy, she actively engages in youth empowerment initiatives at all levels. Her leadership extends across various organizations, including serving as a National Representative for Ypeer Laos a youth network of Ypeer Asia-Pacific, a Core Member of the international mental health campaign "Me for Myself," a Youth Representative and Committee Member for the Promotion of Family Health Association (advocating for family health, supported by IPPF), and the Vice Secretary of the YSNAP Youth SRHR Network (focusing on Youth SRHR issues in the East, Southeast Asia, and Pacific region).









Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Mental Health
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Displaced & Immigration
- + Economic Empowerment
- + SRHR
- + Refugee Rights

Noor Azizah 28, Australia

Noor Azizah is a Rohingya refugee who fled Myanmar's genocide. She spent eight and a half years as a displaced person in Malaysia before seeking asylum in Sydney, Australia. Her early years were marked by statelessness, homelessness, and hiding in jungles. Director of the Rohingya Maiyafuinor Collaborative Network, Noor holds a Bachelor of Education and a Master of Peace and Conflict Studies from the University of Sydney. She has received the Stellar South Asian Women Award 2023, NSW Young Women of the Year 2024, and Global Citizen Award 2024, and was named a Young Woman to Watch in International Affairs. Noor has served as a UN refugee delegate and serves on Australia's Refugee Advisory Panel.









Areas of work

- + Climate Change
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- + Rural Women
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation

Nida Yousaf Sheikh | 31, Pakistan

Nida Yousaf Sheikh is a social innovator driven by her Ikigai (life purpose) of empowering marginalized women. Acknowledged by the Pakistani Government for her social contributions, she is also the first Pakistani to win the One Young World's LEAD 2030 SDG6 Challenge. Her MSc research on rural female entrepreneurship at the London School of Economics has been recognized and published. As CEO of Tayaba, she utilizes blockchain and unique products to provide vital water and sanitation access, positively impacting over half a million people, including rural women.







Areas of work

- + Mental Health
- + LGBTIQ+
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Diversity &
 Representation In
 Media & Literature

Premrudee Mepremwattana

| 18, Thailand

Premrudee Mepremwattana is a seventeen-year-old activist, writer, and student in Bangkok, Thailand. As co-president and managing director of Fifty Squared, a UN-recognized nonprofit organization with branches across Thailand and internationally, she is devoted to bridging the gender equality gap. Dedicated to amplifying voices in marginalized communities through additional mediums, she is the founder and coeditor-in-chief of the Alexandrian Review. The recipient of the Young Women In Public Affairs Award, her work has been recognized by the Social Justice Initiative, the Alliance for Young Writers and Artists, NCTE, among others.







Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Mental Health

| 26, India Rasika Sundaram

Rasika Sundaram is the founder of Imaara Survivor Support Foundation, an NGO in India dedicated to preventing gender-based violence and supporting survivors. Through Imaara, she raises awareness on GBV, provides resources, offers bystander training, and works to destigmatize survivor experiences. With 7 years of experience in mental health and human rights, Rasika has collaborated with organizations like The Gender Security Project and WomenattheCentrE. She is a World Pulse Changemakers Lab Fellow, a World Pulse Story Award recipient, and is featured in the UN Women's coffee table book showcasing 75 women leaders stories.









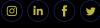


Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Mental Health
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Girls' Education

Richa Gupta | 27, India

Richa is a teacher-turned entrepreneur and Co-Founder of Labhya, an India-based non-profit that impacts 2.4 million vulnerable children. Her passion for education stems from her extensive work with children from the age of 16. Richa is a DRK Entrepreneur, a Mulago Rainer Fellow, and was featured in the Forbes Asia 30 Under 30 list. Richa also served on the board of YuWaah, UNICEF India and is on the steering committee of Karanga Global. She is one of 17 Young Leaders for the SDGs selected by the UN Youth Envoy office globally. Richa has a Master's in Education Policy from Harvard Graduate School of Education, where she also served as an Equity & Inclusion Fellow, Harvard Ministerial Leadership Fellow and Education Entrepreneurship fellow.











- + Climate Change
- + Mental Health
- + LGBTIQ+

Sahithi Radha | 16, India

Sahithi Radha is a 16-year-old changemaker, previously India's youngest UNEP ambassador. She founded E-Cycl, an e-waste recycling initiative. A nationally recreated circular economy system. Involving recycling, awareness through hundreds of youth, protecting sanitation workers, and reforming public policy. Project Anusha, a grief management curriculum for pediatric leukemia patients. Working with 100 children through enrichment sessions, hoping to bridge their lost education. She's a speakerphone ranging from entrepreneurship and climate to PTSD & queer identity. Recognized in a Guggenheim documentary, Meta's 25 under 25, International Young Voices by UNESCO, Ashoka's top 10 IND-USA, as India's Top Social Changemaker and in over 50 publications.





Areas of work

- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Entrepreneurship
- + Startups

Shreya Katuwal | 27, Nepal

Shreya Katuwal is a software engineer turned tech entrepreneur from Kathmandu. She founded Rawa, a software company, and Bihenepal, a commitment-based dating app pioneering in the Nepali market. Under her leadership, Bihenepal has now become a award-winning and prominent player in its category. Passionate about inspiring youth and women in entrepreneurship and technology, she is a frequent speaker at programs and colleges. She is also the national winner of She Loves Tech 2023. As hobbies, Shreya pursues songwriting and music, valuing creative freedom in both her personal and professional life.

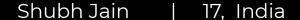








- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Rural Women
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- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights



Shubh Jain is an Author, Youth Leader, Published Researcher and Women's Rights activist. He is the founder of 'Aapka Nyay', the first ever Artificial Intelligence based Lawyer in adaptive native Indian languages built to help those that cannot afford or access lawyers. He has also published his book 'Right To Breathe' highlighting the struggles of Rural India, for which he was described by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs as the "Most Promising Youth Author and Social Activist". Shubh is popularly known for his State-wide 'Adopt A Village' campaign where his organisation 'Project Nyay' helps underprivileged women that are victims of sexual violence, by providing Self-defense training, legal aid and employment opportunities.





Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Economic Empowerment

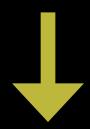
26, Indonesia Tamara Gondo

Tamara Gondo is the CEO of Liberty Society, a social enterprise of eco & impactful B2B corporate goods that empowers marginalized women. Passionate in combining profit and purpose, her previous experiences include working for a startup, non profit, venture capital & social consulting firm. She is a sought after speaker with orgs like TedX and UNDP, as well as a mentor for young social entrepreneurs. Aside from that, She was Miss Indonesia Jawa Timur 2019. Liberty Society was named #1 winner of Women Empowerment Principles award 2021. Most recently, she is one of the 14 Global Young Leaders for Generation 17, a program by Samsung & UNDP to advocate for Sustainable Development Goals & Forbes 30 under 30 Asia on social impact category.





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2023 COHORT

Meet the members







- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + People with Disabilities
- + Civic engagement & political representation
- + Feminist foreign policy

30, Australia Ashleigh Streeter-Jones

Ashleigh Streeter-Jones has over a decade of experience in youth, gender, and political advocacy. She founded Raise Our Voice Australia (ROVA) in 2020, mobilising young women and gender-diverse individuals in policy politics. Ashleigh is an experienced policy and foreign policy practitioner, speaker and advocate, having spoken alongside Australia's first woman Prime Minister, Julia Gillard, and the US Secretary of State on young people and civic engagement. She has been recognised as a Forbes 30 Under 30, and has participated in forums including the United Nations and the World Economic Forum.







Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Mental Health
- + Economic Empowerment
- + People with Disabilities
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Careers & Employment
- + Education

Nathaniel Diong | 23, Australia

Nathaniel Diong is the founder & CEO of Future Minds Network, an award-winning organisation that supercharges today's talent into tomorrow's workforce. This includes innovative programs for first employment, job creation, and talent transformation. With years of experience in future-proofing governments, businesses and educators across the Asia-Pacific, Nathaniel provides unique insights on Gen Z engagement, innovation and talent attraction. His work has been recognised on Forbes 30-Under-30, Commonwealth Young Person of the Year (Australia), and as a previous Young Australian of the Year finalist.









- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights
- + Youth engagement

SM Shaikat 36, Bangladesh

SM Shaikat is the Executive Director of SERAC-Bangladesh, advancing SRHR, civic engagement, healthcare, and gender-based violence prevention. In 2024, he received the Recoupling Award in Civic Engagement at the Global Solutions Summit. Shaikat was named a Women Deliver Young Leader (2012), elected to the UN-Habitat Youth Advisory Board (2015), and nominated for the U.S. State Department's IVLP (2013). He is also a Bayer Scholar, 120 Under 40 Champion, ICFP Youth Trailblazer, and a participant in the Swedish Institute's 2023 Leadership Lab.













Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Biodiversity Conservation

Thaung Ret | 34, Cambodia

Ret Thaung is a committed and passionate wildlife conservationist with over 10 years working experiences in Biodiversity Conservation, Climate Change, Species Conservation, and Women empowerment. She is currently working as a Biodiversity and Science Manager at the Conservation International Cambodia and founder of WildCam Hub. Ret has been recognized as a co-winner of the Women of the Future Southeast Asia Awards in ESG, Mekong Conservation Hero Award and Young Leadership Award by the Australia Award Cambodia program.





- + Economic Empowerment
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Technology and Innovation

Natalie Au 28, China

Natalie is Program Manager at 2X Global, the worldwide network building towards a vision of global sustainability and equal opportunity, powered by inclusive, equitable, and gender-smart systems of finance. Natalie was previously a Senior Associate at AVPN, Asia's largest network for social investors where she led AVPN's gender lens investing work and supported the Asia Gender Network, a community of philanthropists and thought leaders moving capital to causes for women and girls.









Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Rural Women
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- + LGBTQI+
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + People with Disabilities
- + Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights

Sidhant Maharaj 1 29, Fiji

Sidhant is an Intersectional Queer Feminist Activist and early career researcher with over nine years of experience advocating for women, girls, and the LGBTQ+ community. Currently pursuing a Master's in Gender and Sexuality Studies from Birkbeck, University of London, Sidhant is passionate about gender, intersectionality, disability inclusion, and human rights. With affiliations to various international NGOs and a publication in the Advances in Gender Research Series, Sidhant brings marginalised voices to the forefront to influence policy and advocacy.









- + Economic Empowerment
- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Technology & Innovation

Belinda NG | 24, China

Belinda is a sustainability advocate and consultant. As one of 30 selected youth leaders of the global Act4food movement driving food systems transformation, she has led local food poverty alleviation projects and academic research on gender-specific experiences at the food and climate nexus. Her youth-led campaign 'Heart-to-Heart Hong Kong' provided over 400 meals to food-insecure families in Hong Kong during the pandemic. Belinda is also the founder of a youth-led podcast 'SustainaPod' and a World Economic Forum Global Shaper.











Areas of work

- + Gender and Political Leadership
- + Men's Allyship
- + Policy and Governance
- + Education

Akhil Neelam 27, India

Akhil Neelam is a Co-founder and Director of Centre for Gender And Politics, where he leads research, operations, and volunteer engagement to promote gender equality in South Asian politics. He is a public policy practitioner and a gender rights advocate who previously worked with local governments in India to implement systemic changes for better performance of school education programmes. Akhil also serves on the Advisory Board of Teach for Change, an education nonprofit based in Hyderabad. He is a recipient of the UNICEF and Government of Iceland's GEST fellowship.













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Tanmaya Kshirsagar 20, India

Tanmaya is an Indian Classical Vocalist, a TED-Ed Speaker and a writer, working an Intersectional Feminist in the field of art and education. She performing artist belonging to the Gwalior Gharana. Her work has been published on platforms like TOI, Indian Review and Women's Web.











Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
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- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights

Radhika Modi 29, India

Radhika is a queer feminist from India. She works in the intersections of menstrual health and queer rights in India. She is passionate about the dynamics gender plays in our everyday lives, which led to her co-founding the Jamia Queer Collective (JQC). She is a recipient of the UNICEF and Government of Iceland's GRO GEST fellowship in Gender Studies (2024).









- + Gender-Based Violence
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- + People with Disabilities
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Education
- + Care systems & community support
- + Social policy
- + Social inclusion

Divya Goyal | 25, India

Divya is from India, and currently works as a Researcher with the UNDP Human Development Report Office. Her work applies an intersectional and multidisciplinary perspective on issues of inclusive social policy, responsible use of technology, health equity and gender equality. She holds an MPhil in Development Studies from University of Cambridge, where she was a Commonwealth Scholar.





Areas of work

- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Women in Sport

Aditi Chauhan | 30, India

Aditi has been representing Indian National Football team for the past 15 years, she was also the first Indian female footballer to play for West Ham United FC in the UK. She's always been extremely passionate about sports which led her to study MSc Sports Management from Loughborough University in the UK. From her own experience she saw how transformative sports can be in developing life skills, especially for women, hence she decided to put her passion and education together to start her initiative called She Kicks which aims to empower girls through football through her own foundation.











- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Women in Sports
- + Women in Education

Mayumi Sato | 29, Japan

Mayumi Sato is a PhD student at Cambridge University and founder of SustainED. She has several years of experience working with grassroots community groups, such as Indigenous people, youth climate organizations, and timber communities. She has worked on Ministerial-level climate and social policies on reforestation, illegal logging, and gender equity. She is interested in improving women's access to and engagement in the climate space, education, and the sports community. In her free time, she enjoys marathon running, hiking, and reading.







Areas of work

- + Rural Women
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership

Phyo Su Aung | 31, Myanmar

Phyo Su Aung worked as an Agriculture Field Agent in an international NGO supporting rural communities within Myanmar on agricultural development. Phyo Su then transferred to the Microfinance sector to support rural households' daily finance management. As a leader, she managed a variety of people; including staff, villages, committees, and still helped support families on the ground from rural areas. Most of her clients are women who she helped work towards a sustainable income by joining the microfinance programs.





- + Economic **Empowerment**
- + Rural Women
- + Technology and Innovation
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Gender-Based Violence

The Noe San 28, Myanmar

The Noe San is a licensed Australian lawyer and a banker in Myanmar, she believes that technology is the key to breaking down financial barriers for the underbanked communities in emerging markets. She launched her fintech start-up ModusOperandi ('MO'), as a solo female founder with a vision to build a neobank for Micro Small and Medium Enterprises that do not have bank accounts. Within the first year, MO has facilitated more than 300,000 transactions worth over 10M USD with an extensive offline network of 5,000 agents.







Areas of work

- + Mental Health
- + Rural Women
- + Displaced & Immigration
- + Education for girls and women
- + Poverty eradication

Monal Bhattarai 23, Nepal

Monal is the Managing Director at Canopy Nepal, where she makes quality education accessible for female students on the verge of dropping out. She has helped 14000 students from 200 schools complete their education and access interactive sessions. Monal is also a Shaper at Global Shapers Kathmandu Hub where she promotes access to mental health services. She is also the Youth Leaders Awardee at Global Citizen, the Global Ambassador at Youth Opportunities, and the Ambassador at HundrED.











- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Mental Health Equity
- + Education
- + Climate Change

| 22, Pakistan Eisha Mehtab

Eisha advocates for mental health equity, feminist activism, leadership and social psychology. She is involved in research projects for her undergraduate studies in Psychology and English. She was awarded the National 25 under 25 women award in Pakistan by The Little Art and Australian Awards for founding her internationally funded NGO, The Mirror, based on transforming gender rights in her country through multi-faceted projects with network 300+ alumni. Eisha runs 'Mindfully', a platform for raw conversations in the mental health climate.









Areas of work

- + Rural Women
- + Economic **Empowerment**
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Gender-Based Violence

Nabila Abbas 25, Pakistan

Nabila Abbas is a young global youth activist, working for the rights of young rural girls. She is from an underprivileged area in Pakistan and has been fighting against social and cultural stereotypes. She is the first generation attaining higher degree education in aviation management. Nabila is the first girl from Pakistan to be a spokesperson at the International Congress of Youth Voices. She advocates for inclusively helping the 31% rural women whose voices cannot be heard.











- + Climate Change
- + Rural Women
- + Gender-Based Violence
- + 2030 Agenda

30, Papua New Guinea Manuel Kuria

Manuel Kuria has a Post-Graduate Diploma in Education specializing in Social Science and Personal/ Community Development, and a Bachelors in Applied Science specializing in Family and Community Studies. Currently, he works as a Family and Community Studies Tutor at the University of Goroka. Manuel is also an active Youth leader, activist, and advocator working with different local, national, and regional networks and CSOs. Manuel has a strong interest in SRHR, gender equality & ending violence, mental health, human rights, women's peace & security, empowerment, advocacy, social inclusion, climate change, and the SDG's.









Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + People with Disabilities
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights

Sharlyne Mangai | 25, Papua New Guinea

Sharlyne Mangai is from the East Sepik Province (ESP), Papua New Guinea. Sharlyne joined the 'Sanap Wantaim: the new normal', Youth Led Behaviour Change Campaign which aims to rally men and boys to stand with girls and women as allies; creating a safe city and inspiring awareness and advocacy to action. Sharlyne works closely with service providers and referral pathways for survivors of GBV. She is a dedicated youth volunteer on Gender-Based Violence (GBV), Human Rights and social issues.









- + Women, Peace and Security
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Agriculture
- + Education
- + 2030 Agenda
- + Sports
- + Gender-Based Violence

Morris Edwin | 30, Papua New Guinea

Morris Edwin is a youth leader, a Komo Rugby Football League Chairman, the Chairman for Komo Youth 4 Change Association which also includes the Tari, Hela province. Morris encourages youth to help him supply fresh vegetables to the ExxonMobil camp regularly, effectively involving local youths in in agriculture and fish farming. Morris advocates for peace in Komo which has been devastated by tribal warfare, supporting girls, women and children who have been affected by the warfare.





Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Rural Women
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership

Latishar Ila'ava Namo

21, Papua New Guinea

Latishar Namo is a youth advocate with the Sanap Wantaim Campaign. Latishar is passionate about creating positive change in her community and amongst her peers. She joined the campaign in 2021 and has been part of the youth-led campaign ever since. Latishar facilitates sessions on behaviour change and gender equality in communities, schools, on the national radio station and in public spaces.





- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation

| 33, Philippines Rhea See

Rhea See is the Co-founder & CEO of She Loves Tech, the world's largest acceleration platform and startup competition for women, with a pipeline of 15,000+ women-led tech startups from 110 countries. Rhea is also the General Partner of the ASEAN Emerging Outliers Fund, Venture Advisor for Kaya Founders, World Economic Forum Global Shaper, UN EQUALS Partner, UN Women 30 for 2030 Member, Tatler Gen.T etc. She extends her influence advising the UN, governments, Fortune 500 companies, and more.









Areas of work

- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Gut & Skin Health

28, Philippines Darla Bautista

Championing Marketing and Business as Forces for Good, Darla is the Co-founder of Trizie Fiber and Twin Releaf Liniments, both rapidly-growing wellness brands in the Philippines and Thailand. Previously, Darla was P&G's Senior Brand Manager for its biggest laundry and personal care brands (Ariel, Safeguard), where she launched campaigns for sharing the load at home. Darla is currently pursuing her MBA in London Business School, serving as Student Association Marketing SVP and Walpole Luxury Leaders of Tomorrow member.









- + Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Gender-Based Violence

Manyasiri Chotbunwong (Pear)

| 18, Thailand

Manyasiri 'Pear' Chotbunwong is a Menstrual Justice Activist. She is a proud advocate for youth voices and menstrual hygiene who is driven to destroy taboos and break the silence. Pear is the Founder of H.E.R. (Health. Equity. Respect.), a nonprofit organization increasing menstrual hygiene accessibility for women across 5 countries. Pear is a Forbes 30 Under 30 Honoree, the youngest in the Social Impact category. She has been recognized as the youngest winner of the Women of the Future Southeast Asia Awards in Public Service and a recipient of the Diana Award.

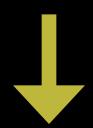








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- + Women, Peace and Security
- + Feminist movements and Leadership
- + Humanitarian Action
- + Preventing Violent Extremism

HEELA YOON 24, AFGHANISTAN

Heela Yoon is the Founder of Afghan Youth Ambassadors for Peace Organization (AYAPO) a grassroots NGO working in Afghanistan focusing on Local Peacebuilding. She has more than five years of experience working with humanitarian and human rights organisations including Amnesty International and Oxfam Great Britain. She has worked with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders as a peace fellow focusing on localising UNSCR 1325 and 2250 in Myanmar, Bangladesh, and The Philippines. She is currently the Afghan Coordinator for International Parliamentary Network for Education.











Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence, Women
- + Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Technology & Innovation

KIRTHI JAYAKUMAR 36, INDIA

Kirthi Jayakumar is a feminist researcher, facilitator, and mediator working in the areas of Women, Peace, and Security, Feminist Foreign Policy, and Conflict Transformation. She founded and runs The Gender Security Project, which works on the WPS Agenda and Feminist Foreign Policy through research, reportage, and documentation. kirthi set up the CRSV Observatory, which documents conflict-related, systemic, and mass sexual violence across time and space. She has served as an advisor to the Women7 (W7) under the Italian (2024), Japanese (2023) and German (2022) Presidencies of the G7. She is currently working on developing peacetech tools to facilitate feminist peace education and address conflict-related sexual violence.









- + Women, Peace and Security
- + Economic Empowerment for Women
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Sport



Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + LGBTIQ+
- + Gender-based Violence
- + Policy

KARISHMA ALI | 25, PAKISTAN

Karishma Ali is a football and social entrepreneur from Chitral, Pakistan. In 2016, she represented Pakistan in the International Jubilee games and in the AFL International cup Melbourne. Ali has dedicated her life to breaking barriers for women in sports and ensuring that girls in her hometown of Chitral have more opportunities to play sports. Karishma established Chitral Women's Sports Club in 2018, a pioneer organization dedicated to providing a safe environment for Chitrali girls to participate in sports. Her organization currently has 215 registered members participating in various sports activities. In 2019 she was listed in Forbes Asia 30 under 30. During the same year, Karishma was also selected as a member of the Pakistan National Youth Council. On 23rd March 2022, she was nominated for the Pride of Pakistan enclosure which included people who excelled in their respective fields.









NAMGAY CHODEN 26, BHUTAN

Namgay is a foreign service officer and the founder of Wisely Bt, a free online service to help Bhutanese young professionals create bespoke resumes and CVs. She is also a Global Shaper and Climate Reality Leader. Through her voluntary project, the "Bhutan Climate Futures Lab" Namgay is engaging over 400 youth to help them shape narratives and meaningfully participate in decision-making through climate and policy literacy. She is currently on a special assignment at the Desuung Skilling Programme, a national initiative to re-skill and up-skill over 20,000 individuals by 2040.









- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Child marriage



Areas of work

- + Economic Justice and Rights
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Technology and innovation
- + Fashion

JANNATUL MOUWA | 30, BANGLADESH

Jannatul Mouwa is a youth climate activist. She was born in Satkhira which is one of the most climate vulnerable districts in Bangladesh. Jannatul started a movement, Sunday for women's Climate Justice, in 2019, and founded a youth Feminist Organization named BINDU Women Development Organization. Jannatul plants trees every year to support the ecosystem and encourages youth groups to do the same. She is passionate about working for emergency support in natural disasters in Satkhira. In 2007, devastating Sidr hit the coastal area and she formed a youth emergency response groups for disaster preparedness and rescue. Her youth team have played a vital role in every local disaster for over 14 years now. She is working on gender-friendly disaster response in her community and has encouraged others to join in the fight towards gender equality.











DEA AMIRA 27, INDONESIA

Dea Amira is the CEO & Co-Founder of Rentique, Indonesia's #1 fashion rental and resale app. Her passion towards empowering women and sustainability led her to create Rentique with a mission to Revolutionize Indonesia's Fashion Industry. She's an honoree of Forbes 30 under 30 Indonesia 2022 & an author of Indonesia's best selling book: #MillennialInvestor





- + Economic Justice and Rights
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Technology and Innovation
- + Agenda 2030 and the
- + Organisational change

BRIDGET WILLIAMS | 29, NEW ZEALAND

In 2019, Bridget took off her High Court gown and put on a necklace. Thus, Bead and Proceed was born. Bead and Proceed is a social enterprise, which inspires thousands to harness the power of creativity to action the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals, making Bridget a recognised SDGs expert across New Zealand and beyond. As one of the youngest female elected chairs for her local community board, she is a voice for young women and advocates for active citizenship. Bridget is a member of Global Women, Asia New Zealand Foundation Leadership Network, and a World Economic Forum Global Shaper.











Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Women in Sports Innovative Enterprises & Entrepreneurship

JOLLY NGUYEN 33, VIET NAM

Jolly Nguyen is an entrepreneur, founder, country leader, and mentor. Jolly's work concentrates on ASEAN regional sustainable development, and she has worked on social impact initiatives for the past nine years. Jolly led different projects which advocate for youth empowerment, environmental development and social innovation. Jolly also works on building innovative ecosystem to support impact enterprises and young entrepreneurs toward SDGs. Through her professional and social work, she is dedicated to promoting inclusion, diversity, and positive impact.









Areas of work

+ Climate Change

14, INDIA RIDHIMA PANDEY

Ridhima is a 14-year-old Climate Activist based in Uttarakhand, India. She started her activism after witnessing the kedarnath flash flood that occurred in her home state in 2013. She remembers visuals of people crying because they had lost their family members and kids crying because they had lost their parents and homes. After struggling for months, she decided to do something to stop the flash floods and that's how she learned about global warming and climate change. She found climate change interesting, wanted to expand her knowledge, and gradually found out about the exploitation of the environment and biodiversity that was destroying her future.





Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Mental Health
- + Rural Women
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Women in Sports

PRIYAL KENI 28, INDIA

As an ex-international rifle shooter, founder of a non-profit and Generation Equality ally, Priyal has deep-rooted passion for social change. Some of her contributions include co-authoring a toolkit on ending Online Gender Based violence for making the internet a safer space for women and girls and participating in the Gen-Forum consultations on Women Peach and Security. As a TEDx speaker and thought leader, she advocates for poverty eradication, education access, social equality, and bridging the gender gap.









- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Gender-based Violence

25, PHILIPPINES MARINEL UBALDO

Marinel is currently undertaking a Masters in Environmental Management at Duke University. She has served as the Philippines Country Coordinator for UN COY16 Glasgow while co-leading the implementation of the Local Conference of Youth 2021. Marinel has been active in educating communities, especially the youth and children about climate change and the roles they can take to adapt and mitigate to its effects. She spoke to world leaders on behalf of Filipinos in international climate conferences. She is a petitioner of the National Inquiry on Climate Change. Her global campaign with Amnesty International calling on the Philippines Government to ensure relocation of Super-Typhoon Haiyan survivors generated 528,070 actions around the world.









Areas of work

+ Climate Change

PHATTEEYA (GRACE) YONGSANGUANCHAI

17, THAILAND

Grace, a junior at the Thai-Chinese International School, is a strong advocate for youth empowerment and climate action. She was selected as a Thai Red Cross Youth representative in the Southeast Asia Youth Network and a Thai delegate to the United Nation's Youth4Climate event. She advocates for climate action by presenting to ASEAN ministers, ambassadors, the Parliament, and the public. Grace is the founder of PeACEbyYouths, a youth network advocating against violence and conflict in Thai society. She values dedication & hard work and believes that youth can bring transformative change.







- + Climate Change
- + Human Trafficking

ANGELA ZHONG 19, CHINA

Angela Zhong is a first-generation Asian-American Harvard student hailing from Houston, Texas. She is a sophomore studying economics with a secondary in environmental science public policy. Though she is currently on a gap year, she previously served as her school's Undergraduate Council Executive Cabinet and researched the intersections between gender representation and peacebuilding under a UN SDG Advocate. She also serves as a team lead on the Harvard College Consulting Group's plant-based meat substitute case, the Council of Student Sustainability Leaders, the Presidential Committee on Sustainability Scope 3 Emissions Group, and the student-faculty Dining Services Council. Additionally, Angela was an ambassador on the USA Debate Development Team and hopes to centre marginalized voices through a career in international public service. Angela has represented youth at the US Institute of Peace Conference, the Rotary World Peace Conference, the ECOSOC Youth Conference, the World Food Programme Presentations, and the Conference of Youth (UKCOY16) prior to COP26.













- + Gender-based Violence
- + Agenda 2030 and the SDGs
- + Preventing Violent Extremism

28, BANGLADESH RIJVE AREFIN

Rijve Arefin is a multi-award-winning community development practitioner and a dedicated youth activist. He has been named a Forbes 30 Under 30 and highlighted as the Featured Honoree for Social Impact. He also received The Diana Award - the most prestigious accolade a young person can receive for their humanitarian work, continuing Princess Diana's legacy. He is the co-founder and co-chair of the global youth organization, Awareness 360, which has directly benefited more than 1.1 million individuals worldwide under his leadership.













Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Displaced & Immigration
- + Economic Empowerment
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights
- + Women in Sports

ZAHRA AL HILALY

| 24, AUSTRALIA

Zahra leads National Child Protection Week in Australia at NAPCAN. She is an advocate for human rights across all of it's intersections. She also currently works at Youth Negotiators Academy, training member states' COP delegates to contribute to COP negotiations. Zahra is a lawyer, journalist, and slam poet.









- + Rural Women
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + LGBTIQ+
- + Climate Change
- + Public Policy
- + People with Disabilities



Areas of work

- + Technology and Innovation
- + Economic Empowerment for Women
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + LGBTQI+

DR. ELISE STEPHENSON | 30, AUSTRALIA

Dr. Elise Stephenson is a researcher and entrepreneur in diplomacy, national security, government, politics, climate justice, and gender and sexuality. Elise has travelled over 75,000kms by road across rural and remote Australia connecting with communities around gender equality, the environment, and leadership, plus working across Southeast Asia on youth empowerment, entrepreneurship, and political engagement. Elise's work focuses on intervening at critical junctures to ensure equality, justice, and regeneration in international affairs. Elise is a research fellow at the Global Institute for Women's Leadership and is the Gender, Space and National Security Fellow at the National Security College, ANU. She is recognized by Google as one of Australia's Top 50 Outstanding LGBTIQ+ Leaders and is a 2022 Fulbright Scholar.







HANLU HU | 24, CHINA

Hanlu Hu is a Research Consultant at ILGA World. Holding a Master's degree in International Affairs from the Geneva Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, she is a passionate queer feminist committed to driving gender equality through dialogues and partnerships. With internship experience at UNIDO and UNICEF, she has also served as a youth envoy for EQUALS-EU, promoting digital gender equity in Europe. Hanlu will pursue an MSc in International Project Management at ESCP Business School.





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Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership

LOUISE D.G. MABULO | 23, PHILIPPINES

Louise Mabulo is a chef, farmer, and entrepreneur. She is the Founder of The Cacao Project, which cultivates resilient and Climate-smart livelihoods, positioning farmers for sustainable success in San Fernando, Camarines Sur, Philippines. Mabulo is a National Geographic Young Explorer, Young Champion of the Earth under UNEP, Forbes Asia's '30 Under 30' honouree, Young Activist Summit Laureate, and a member of Tatler's 'Generation T'. She has hosted the online series, '#GenGeo Conversations' and hosted the online cooking show 'Simply Sarap' under the Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs.













Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Economic Empowerment
- + People with Disabilities
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Governance & Public Policy

HAFSAH MUHEED | 28, SRI LANKA

Hafsah Muheed has 10 years of grassroots experience specializing in cross sectoral solutions. She works in human rights, women's rights, climate change, disability rights, labour rights and peacebuilding. She is a Director at Sri Lanka Unites, Member Advisory Group, core team member of the local leadership labs of CIVICUS, Curator of the Global Shapers Hub Colombo, Advisor on Decolonizing Aid at Bond UK, Vice Chair < 30 Governance & Ethics Committee, Chair of the Adolescent & Youth Constituency and Board Member at PMNCH, member of the Joint Youth Working Group on Climate Change and SRHR at UNFPA, Member of the Climate Action Champions Network, Women Deliver Young Leader Alumni, Visiting Lecturer & Writer.









- + Economic Justice and Rights
- + Finance and Data Analytics
- + Entrepreneurship and Start-ups
- + Education
- + Finance & Investments

SANJANA CHHANTYAL | 30, NEPAL

A Fulbright scholar, Sanjana designed a higher education research toolkit and conducts mentorship and information sessions in schools and colleges. At SDSN-Youth, she leads two SDG-focused global entrepreneurship accelerator programs supporting youth social entrepreneurs in over 50 countries and established the partnership that connected them to multiple seed grants. She co-founded the Stree-Shakti (Women in Energy) project that prepares young women for green jobs in the energy sector. Sanjana is USAID Youth Excel's Global Youth Advisor, Max Thabiso Edkins Climate Ambassador and INvolve Heroes Role Model list awardee.







Areas of work

- + Climate Change
- + Agenda 2030 and the SDGs
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership

NALA AMIRAH | 17, INDONESIA

Nala Amirah is a 17-year old Indonesian youth climate activist who aspires to create meaningful and prosperous change in the climate movement and food systems. She also champions climate education and women empowerment within her climate work and has founded Green Welfare Indonesia; Indonesia's first youth led non-profit organization that primarily strives for environmental and social sustainability through advocating against unethical livestock farming & unsustainable agriculture with plant-based approaches. Green Welfare Indonesia has also introduced the world's first waqf hydroponics concept.



- + Climate Change
- + Agenda 2030 and the **SDGs**
- + Economic Empowerment for Women

MELATI WIJSEN 21, INDONESIA

Melati is a 21-year-old full time changemaker. She founded Bye Bye Plastic Bags at the age of 12 to make Bali plastic bag free. Since then, Melati has spoken on world stages such as TED & the UN, recently co-chaired the World Economic Forum GPAP committee, sat on the inaugural Expert Advisory Panel for the Earthshot Prize, & has had her film, Bigger Than Us, premiere at the 74th Cannes Film Festival 2021. Today, Melati launched her new company, YOUTHTOPIA, focusing on youth empowerment through short, meaningful peer-to-peer programs to provide youth the tools they need to be changemakers.













Areas of work

- + Economic Justice and Rights
- + Women, Peace and Security
- + Agenda 2030 & the SDGs

EMMANUEL PONON 21, PHILIPPINES

Mirus Ponon is a youth advocate who started volunteering at 9. He is the founder of the ASEAN Youth Advocates Network for the Southeast Asian youth to be engaged citizens. He has been invited to speak more than 500 times globally, including with the United Nations. He has been acknowledged as a 25 Under 25 Legacy Awardee, Young Global Changemakers Awardee, Global Teen Leader, and Outstanding Jose Rizal Model Student. Outside his organization, he also serves in the World Wide Fund (WWF) for Nature Philippines, the Manila Youth Development Council, the National Youth Commission, and continues to volunteer and mentor young individuals.











- + People with Disabilities
- + Economic Empowerment for Women
- + Women Peace and Security
- + Humanitarian Action
- + Preventing Violent Extremism



Areas of work

- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + People with Disabilities
- + LGBTIQ+
- + Gender-based Violence
- + Law and Public Policy
- + Mental Health

ALINA ALAM 29, INDIA

Alina started Mitti Cafe at the age of 23 with the dream of showing the world the magic of abilities. Mitti Cafés provides experiential training and employment to adults with physical, intellectual and psychiatric disabilities. The organisations outreach initiative helps create awareness about inclusion and disability rights. Alina is a Tedx speaker, has been featured in the Forbes list of 30 under 30 Asia, and is a Commonwealth Youth Awardee. She has received the Niti Aayog-Women Transforming India Award, Hellen Keller Award, United Nations Intercultural Innovation Award, Karnataka Women Achievers Award, Times of India-She Unlimited Award, Rotary Exemplar Award, Microsoft Nipman Award, Tiecon Young female Entrepreneur of the Year Award, amongst others.







VANDITA MORARKA | 28, INDIA

Vandita Morarka is a human rights lawyer, feminist researcher and organiser. They are the Founder and CEO of One Future Collective - their work here develops feminist leadership capacities for social change while supplementing efforts through knowledge co-creation, re-imagining advocacy and feminist justice efforts. Vandita is a fellow with Acumen, Change.org, Swedish Institute, WEL - Qatar Foundation, a Global Shaper at the World Economic Forum, and serves on the board of CIVICUS. Their work has reached over 2 million. people.











- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Mental Health
- + Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights
- + LGBTQ+
- + Economic **Empowerment**



Areas of work

- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Climate Change
- + Women, Peace & Security
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + Technology & Innovation
- + Agenda 2030 & the SDGs
- + Women in STEM
- + Space for ALL

LAURALYN | 36, MALAYSIA

Lauralyn (Laura) is a Filipina third-culture individual, intersectional feminist, and advocate based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. When not heading operations at VivaValet (an AgeTech solution piloting in the US), she returns to her technical foundation and offers writing and multimedia design services to social causes like UNHCR Malaysia and MND Malaysia. Constantly learning/unlearning/relearning, Lauralyn acknowledges the power of mass communication and strongly advocates for Women's Rights, LGBTQ+ Rights, Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights, preventing Gender-Based Violence, Health & Wellbeing, and Economic Empowerment.









DHWANI RUPALI VANI | 17, INDIA

Dhwani Rupali Vani is a young space scientist and researcher with a passion for making a difference in the world. She aspires to represent females in the field of STEM and space science. She is the founder of two organizations: EcoRevo, which focuses on climate action, and sustainable environment, and One. Step is a youth empowerment organization that provides mentoring. Recently, Dhwani has been working with the We Can We Will Foundation, providing educational support and extracurricular activities for underprivileged children.



- + Technology and Innovation
- + Climate Change
- + Displaced/ **Immigration**

25, INDIA MADHAV DATT

Madhav Datt's work pioneers low-cost technology and data driven solutions to help local communities in environmental crises across the world. Madhav founded Green the Gene as a small environmental club in his school when he was 8 years old. Since then, Green the Gene has become one of the world's largest completely youth-led environmental non-profits, with projects in 62 countries. Madhav co-founded Nostos Homes, a non-profit building homes for forcibly displaced people. Madhav was named to the Forbes 30 Under 30 list in 2021, and is a 2019 Diana Legacy Award Recipient.











Areas of work

- + Technology and Innovation
- + Feminist Movements and Leadership
- + Safe Spaces

NET SUPATRAVANIJ 29, THAILAND

Net Supatravanij is the Co-founder of ila. She is passionate about using innovative business models to tackle gender inequalities. With ila's app ALLY, she envisions a smarter, safer world for women. Net is the winner of the UN Women Youth Leadership award for Thailand 2021, recipient of Thailand's Department of Women's Affairs Outstanding Woman of the Year 2022 and currently sits on the advisory board of B Corp's B Lab UK.











- + Climate Change
- + Rural Women
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + People with Disabilities
- + Technology & Innovation

SABRINA (SAM) MELISSANDE TAMAYO

28, PHILIPPINES

Sam is passionate about technology, social impact, and sustainable development. She completed her MSc at UCL as a Chevening Scholar. Sam is the Founder and Executive Director of Project SMILE - a youth-led NGO whose main advocacy is to uplift the lives of neglected and underprivileged Filipinos - one act of kindness at a time. Project SMILE's work has received media attention, earned local and international recognition, and most importantly, impacted the lives of more than 50,000 Filipinos in need.









Areas of work

- + Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
- + Economic Empowerment for Women
- + Technology and Innovation
- + Gender-based Violence
- + Agenda 2030 and the SDGs

AYESHA AMIN | 31, PAKISTAN

Ayesha is a social and tech entrepreneur and a gender justice activist. She is the Founder and CEO of 'Baithak - Challenging Taboos' that has impacted lives of over 200K girls and women in the field of SRHR. Her most recent initiative is 'Gul', an Al powered voice assistant to educate young men and women about their SRHR in local languages using WhatsApp. She has been honored with several awards by the President of Pakistan, Ministry of IT, and Youth Ministry of Pakistan.













- + Gender-Based Violence
- + Rural Women
- + Feminist Movements & Leadership
- + People with Disabilities
- + Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights
- + Health Equity
- + Agenda 2030 and the SDGs

DR. PREETI SHAKYA | 31, NEPAL

Dr. Preeti Shakya is a physician, public health advocate, and feminist activist hailing from Nepal. She spearheads Maatri Nepal, a non-profit organization committed to elevating maternal health in her country. Dr. Shakya's prior engagements with the World Health Organization in Nepal saw her at the forefront of various public health initiatives and the supervision of disease surveillance programs. She earned her Master of Public Health degree from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.











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