



GREEN JOBS

# YOUTH AND CLIMATE ACADEMY ENGAGING IN CLIMATE ACTION FOR A JUST TRANSITION

6 – 17 JUNE 2022 (\*) 60 Hours

Information Note









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# **OVERVIEW**

Climate change affects our lives transversally. It is increasingly showing its effects on economies, businesses, livelihoods and jobs. The impact of climate change disproportionally hits young people. They will have to bear the largest share of the burden with substantial consequences on their professional careers and their social and natural environments. This makes it necessary and mandatory for young people to take a holistic view of sustainable development and the actions taken globally and locally.

To successfully shape a just and sustainable future, youth activists, graduate students, and young professionals require a profound understanding of the underlying causes and contributing factors to climate change and the resulting needs and impacts on the economy and the world of work. Developing young people's competencies, analytical skills, and knowledge will allow them to play their role in supporting a rapid shift towards environmentally and socially sustainable economies. It will enable them also to make full use of the career opportunities this transition is offering.

### **OBJECTIVES**

The Youth and Climate Academy will allow participants to understand the main transversal themes related to the global context of climate change and the critical concepts associated with a just transition towards environmentally sustainable economies and societies for all. Furthermore, it will allow young people from different backgrounds who are interested and engaged in discussions around the climate change agenda to gain profound knowledge about the social dimension of the climate change agenda the decent work considerations linked to it. The curriculum takes into account the persisting challenges such as high rates of youth unemployment, but also the opportunities deriving from the increasing demand for green skills and the new avenues for youth engagement in climate dialogues and negotiations.

Considering this critical role of youth in climate action and the world of work, the Academy will mix theoretical with practical skills for young entrepreneurs, professionals, workers' and employers' representatives, graduates, and climate advocates. The course intends to provide participants with the right tools and knowledge to engage directly with policymakers, businesses and labour unions. Furthermore, it will prepare participants to anticipate skills needs in the green economy and tailor their competencies to future market demand.

For that, the Academy proposes a two-week programme of lectures, discussions, exercises and interactive exchange that will tackle a variety of different themes. These range from statistical and empirical data about climate change and the world of work to green skills and information on critical elements such as financing, and sustainability standards, while also working on soft skills for independent research, project management, leadership, policy advocacy and social dialogue.



Plenary sessions Skills sessions Group work Meeting with experts Spotlight sessions Virtual learning tools

# **METHODOLOGY**

The Academy will take place online, over two weeks. It will offer 30 hours of live online sessions and 30 hours of independent work, including assignments and self-guided learning modules on ITCILO's <u>eCampus</u>.

#### LIVE ONLINE SESSIONS (MONDAY - FRIDAY, 11:30 - 15:30 CEST)

The live sessions will be offered in various, complementary formats that balance the dissemination of knowledge with skills acquisition:

**Plenary sessions** will allow the discussion of key topics and concepts of the Academy. The plenaries will feature high-level speakers and renowned experts from the ILO and other institutions. The intention is to immerse participants in the most relevant global discussions regarding climate change and the world of work, share knowledge about best practices in social dialogue, South-South and Triangular Cooperation, and advocacy and the implementation of climate action. Participants will gain a profound understanding of key considerations in the global discussion, including green skills, financing instruments for climate action, and the role of different stakeholder groups.

**Skills sessions** where participants learn about and practice core skills around selfpresentation, presentation and pitching, digital tools for advocacy, research and data analysis, and negotiation skills.

**Group work sessions** to facilitate mutual learning and network building by drawing from participants' different professional, academic and cultural backgrounds. Group work sessions provide a space to link theoretical knowledge from the plenary sessions with the skills and capacities acquired in the skill sessions.

"Meet the green expert" sessions where participants will have the opportunity to interact with a wide range of renowned experts from the United Nations and other

institutions in an informal setting and obtain professional advice on questions around the Academy's key topics.

**Spotlight sessions** where participants can meet in a virtual exhibition space to share and discuss their projects, initiatives and experiences with other participants.

Week 1	Monday 06/06	Tuesday 07/06	Wednesday 08/06	Thursday 09/06	Friday 10/06
11:30 CEST 13:00 CEST		Skills Session	Group Work	Skills Session	Group Work
13:00 CEST 14:00 CEST		Meet the Green Expert	Meet the Green Expert	Meet the Green Expert	Spotlight Session
14:00 CEST 15:30 CEST	Opening Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary
Week 2	Monday 13/06	Tuesday 14/06	Wednesday 15/06	Thursday 16/06	Friday 17/06
11:30 CEST 13:00 CEST	Skills Session	Group Work	Skills Session	Group Work	
13:00 CEST 14:00 CEST	Meet the Green Expert	Meet the Green Expert	Meet the Green Expert	Spotlight Session	Open Space
14:00 CEST 15:30 CEST	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Closing Plenary

#### **LEARNING TOOLS\***

According to the structure and learning objectives of each session, a wide range of interactive learning methodologies will be applied to:

- Enable virtual exchange and inspiration
- Foster collaboration
- Encourage co-creation of solutions and approaches.

\*Tools will be tailored to allow learners' participation in environments with low internet bandwidth.

#### VIRTUAL CAMPUS

Participants will be granted access to ITCILO's virtual campus, where they will find all materials regarding the webinars, background readings, assignments and self-guided learning material.

# TARGET AUDIENCE

The Youth and Climate Academy is specifically designed for the participation of young people (aged 18-32), who are already economically active or who are soon entering the world of work:

- Youth activists
- Young professionals
- Graduate students
- Business owners or aspiring entrepreneurs
- Young representatives of employers' and workers' organizations as well as civil society organizations.

# CERTIFICATION

Participants that attend at least 90% of the online sessions will receive an official ITCILO **Certificate of Participation** in Digital Credentials Format.

Participants that attend at least 90% of the online session and complete the online assignments will receive a **Certificate of Achievement i**n Digital Credentials Format.

### PRICING

Tuition cost: € 980

An application for this course via the ITCILO website does not imply any obligation to pay a course fee. ITCILO staff will get in touch for further arrangements regarding enrollment as well as the payment of course fees or a possible scholarship.

Scholarships are available for qualified candidates. In addition, group discounts are available for institutions with at least 3 participants.

For more information on discounts and scholarship opportunities, please contact us at: greenjobs@itcilo.org

# HOW TO APPLY?

If you wish to participate in this academy, please fill in the online application form available here: <u>https://oarf2.itcilo.org/DST/A9714999/en</u>

Applications must be received no later than **01 June 2022**.

If the participation is sponsored by an institution, the application should be accompanied by a letter from the sponsoring organization.

#### WITHDRAWAL, CANCELLATION POLICY, AND REFUNDS FOR OPEN COURSES

If an enrolled participant wishes or must withdraw from a course, they may choose to apply to a different course or be substituted by another candidate. The participant must notify the Centre, in writing, of their decision at least 14 days prior to the start date of the course. Cancellation of participation in regular courses will result in the following penalties:

- 14 days or more prior to the start date of the course: No penalty, 100% refund of amount paid less applicable bank charges
- 8 to 13 days prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 50% of course price, refund of residual amount paid (if any) less applicable bank charges
- 7 days or less prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 100% of course price.

#### **INFO**

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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