Global Young Academy

Voice of young scientists

From climate change to global migration, young scientists have much to say and lots to offer. They have fresh ideas, energy and incisive insights from their research – all vital for evidence-based discourse on today's big global challenges. These researchers are united in their passion to improve the future. We bring them together and give them a voice.

We actively recruit members from around the world, including emerging countries. Today we have 200 active members from six continents and all disciplines, plus an expanding alumni community. Members are elected for five years as outstanding young researchers, who engage in policy and societal discourse. We nurture these talented scientists to take the next step: become passionate leaders of international, interdisciplinary and intergenerational debate.

The future

Our ambitious program of events, networking and thematic projects across disciplines gives young researchers unrivaled opportunities at an early stage in their careers. They get the chance to work with top international organizations and senior academics, learning by experience as they help to shape the global future.



Activities



Young scientists know that their research can help make the world a better place. With sponsorship and grants we run projects to highlight the 'young scientist perspective' on global issues. Topics so far have included disaster risk reduction, solid waste management and the refugee crisis.



Our flagship event lets members share their work and forge links with peers, dignitaries and politicians. Held in a different country every year, it helps to build transnational cooperations.

Generous grants encourage participation from a wide diversity of members.



We prepare our members for the responsibility of leadership through workshops, mentoring and accredited courses.

Insights from our Global State of Young Scientists (GloSYS) study are helping to improve professional development in many countries.



Over the past five years, young scientists have helped establish 25 new NYAs, many championed by GYA members.

We support fledgling academies, facilitate cooperation and co-organize regional and global meetings.