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Foreword by the Co-Chairs

The dust has been settling slowly since our Annual General Meeting in May; if you missed it, you can still catch its spirit by viewing the moments captured on film [here](#).

That said, the GYA summer will also be full of activities. Members are active in advancing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. You'll find below that several GYA members participated in the third Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science Technology and Innovation (STI forum) held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on 5 and 6 June. This, as you may know, is an important event in the annual run-up for the High Level Political Forum where heads of state review the progress that has been made.

GYA's Science Advice group is also picking up sustainability questions by organising a Summer School together with the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC), and the International Network for Government Science Advice (INGSA). The focus here will be sustainable development in the European neighbourhood linked to questions of population development and migration. This summer school will take place 5-7 September 2018 in Laxenburg, Austria, and you can read more about it [here](#).

The GYA Office has been busy as well, not only introducing a new calendar function ([click here](#)), but also ensuring that we conform to the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), about which you will have received an email. In essence, this would have informed you about how the GYA uses your data, and that you have the right at any time to withdraw your consent for this use. You might also take this opportunity to review our updated privacy policy [here](#).

This month's newsletter also contains plenty of information on GYA members' activities in international science and policy events, as well as opportunities to engage further within the GYA network.

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GYA News

Annual General Meeting 2018 photos and videos available

Photos from the 2018 AGM are being curated and uploaded to a flickr folder [here](#), and a selection of videos are available on our YouTube channel [here](#). While you're there, please remember to subscribe to our YouTube channel!

Managing Director introduces GYA at local government board meeting

Beate Wagner was invited to give a brief presentation on the GYA and its work at a meeting of the City Council's Board for Science and Economy of the city of Halle (Saale), Germany. Beate introduced the vision and mission of the GYA, its structure and members, as well as its activities in working groups, large projects, and in support of the young academy movement worldwide. More information is available [here](#).

Website

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[\[media@globalyoungacademy.net\]](mailto:media@globalyoungacademy.net) to the GYA. There will be no other costs than the postage and/or the transmission costs according to the existing base rates.

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GYA in the Media

The Beacon recently reviewed an article on At-Risk Scholars written by [Teresa Stoepler](#) (USA), [Karly Kehoe](#) (Canada), [Anina Rich](#) (Australia), GYA alumna [Eva Alisic](#) (Australia), and GYA alumni [Jan-Christoph Heilinger](#). More information is available [here](#).

GYA member [Robert Lepenies](#) (Germany) recently appeared in a [Times Higher Education article](#) in which he advocated for scientists to start Twitter fights for science.

(If you have written about the GYA and/or come across articles about the GYA in the media, please let us know by clicking the feedback link or sending us an [email](#).

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News from Our Members

GYA Co-Chair [Tolu Oni](#) (UK) participated in two events at the third Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science Technology and Innovation (STI forum) held at the [United Nations](#) Headquarters in New York on 5 and 6 June. Tolu presented in a session on the need for intergenerational dialogue for STI to address the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs; this session was organised by the [UN Major Group for Children and Youth](#)). She was also a speaker at a session on advancing the implementation of SDG 11 in Africa through a proactive science-practice-policy interface organised by the [International Council for Science](#) (ICSU). As a grantee of the ICSU [Leading Integrated Research for Agenda 2030 in Africa](#) (LIRA) grant, she presented on her urban health research on health in housing policies.

GYA member [John Malone](#) (USA) served as a panellist at the STI forum side event titled 'Implications of emerging biotechnologies in the context of biological diversity: multi-stakeholder perspectives on the risks and benefits', and also presented a [DIY Biology](#) policy brief at the United Nations Headquarters on 5 and 6 June. More information is available [here](#).

GYA alumnus [Yusuf Baran](#) (Turkey) was an invited attendee at the aforementioned STI forum held at the United Nations headquarters in New York on 5 and 6 June. More information is available [here](#).

GYA members [Daniel Limonta](#) (Cuba) and [Teresa Stoepler](#) (USA) participated in a two-day regional workshop organised by the InterAcademy Partnership ([IAP](#)) and the Inter-American Network of Academies of Sciences ([IANAS](#)), and hosted by the [Mexican Academy of Sciences](#) in Mexico City, Mexico, 29 to 30 May. More information is available [here](#).

GYA Activities

Working Group, Incubator and Flagship Project Highlights

Videos available from Trust in (Young) Scientists incubator

Many people wonder why they should trust science these days. During our 2018 Annual General Meeting, a number of GYA members and the [Trust in \(Young\) Scientists Incubator](#) attempted to answer this question for filmmaker Nerina Finetto, of www.tracesdreams.com. The resulting videos, which attempt to open up the 'black box' of science to a broader audience, are [available on our YouTube channel here](#).

Open Science Policy Platform recommendations

The GYA working group on [Open Science](#), and in particular GYA alumna [Sabina Leonelli](#) (UK), have been involved in redacting the recently published final recommendations by the [Open Science Policy Platform of the European Commission](#). The document will serve as an important step for Open Science policies within the European Union in coming years. The recommendations can be accessed [here](#).

Scientific Excellence working group

GYA alumnus [Muhammad Manjurul Karim](#) (Bangladesh) is currently conducting research into the increasing trend of having an increased number of authors in multi-authored papers. This often results in an unfair distribution of credits among the authors. One possible way to minimise this concern is to categorise the authors and specify their roles in the production of a paper. Muhammad and his colleagues are interested to learn your opinion on this topic through a short (3-4 minute) online survey, available [here](#).

[Leave your thoughts on Working Group, Incubator and Flagship Projects here](#)

National Young Academies Updates

GYA Cooperation with the German Junge Akademie

GYA member [Michael Saliba](#) (Switzerland) will become a member of the German [Junge Akademie](#) at their annual membership inauguration and get-together in Berlin, Germany, on 30 June 2018. GYA Managing Director Beate Wagner and Project Officer Anna-Maria Gramatté will also attend the event. The Junge Akademie also recently nominated their former Board Member [Miriam Akkermann](#) to be their liaison in the GYA's Local Organising Committee for the 2019 Annual General Meeting in Halle (Saale), Germany.

GYA member elected to the Israel Young Academy

In May 2018, GYA member [Karin Carmit Yefet](#), who works at the Faculty of Law at the University of Haifa, was elected as a member of the Israel Young Academy.

The 4th Worldwide Meeting of Young Academies will take place in late July 2019 in Vietnam, hosted by the [Vietnam Young Academy](#) and co-organised by the GYA. A call for representatives from young academies to be on the Programme Organising Committee will be issued at the beginning of July.

Meanwhile, the report of the 2017 Worldwide Meeting in South Africa has been published and can be accessed [here](#).

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GYA Strategic Conferences Updates

Strengthening African Academies project conference on ‘Sustainable African Cities’

GYA members [Patrick B Cobbinah](#) (Ghana), [Ketcha Armand Kablan Malan](#) (Cote d’Ivoire), [Chioma Daisy Onyige](#) (Nigeria) and [Daniel Ochieng Orwenjo](#) (Kenya) will represent the GYA at the upcoming conference on ‘Sustainable African Cities’ **from 3 to 6 July 2018 in Accra, Ghana**.

The conference is organised by the [Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences](#) (GAAS), the [Network of African Science Academies](#) (NASAC) and the [German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina](#), supported by the [German Federal Ministry of Education and Research](#) (BMBF). The conference is part of the ‘[Strengthening African Academies](#)’ project, of which the GYA is a partner.

In addition to sending four members, the GYA was also able to nominate representatives from the [Nigerian Young Academy](#), and the young academy initiatives in Benin and Zambia to attend the conference and add the voice of young scientists to the discussions. More information available is [here](#).

International Network for Government Science Advice (INGSA)

The GYA, in partnership with the [Young Academy of Japan](#), has been invited to develop and run a capacity-building science leadership workshop for young scientists attending the biannual global INGSA meeting. This year the meeting, [INGSA2018 Science Advice in a Changing World](#), will be held in Tokyo, Japan, from 6 to 7 November. Co-Chair [Tolu Oni](#) (UK) is liaising with INGSA partners to develop this programme in partnership with GYA Co-Chair [Connie Nshemereirwe](#) (Uganda) and GYA member [Binyam Mendisu](#) (Ethiopia) – both of whom have facilitated previous SLP workshops – as well as INGSA workshop facilitators and representatives from the [Young Academy of Japan](#).

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GYA External Partners

African Academy of Sciences Affiliates Programme

The African Academy of Sciences (AAS) is calling for nominations for their Affiliates

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations

GYA member [Alex Godoy-Faúndez](#) is a member of the FAO's Steering Committee of the High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE), which on 27 June released HLPE Report #13 titled 'Multi-stakeholder partnerships to finance and improve food security and nutrition in the framework of the 2030 Agenda'. The report is available on the HLPE [website](#).

Sense about Science nominations open

[Sense about Science](#), who are also active in the science-for-policy arena, have announced that nominations are open for the 2018 John Maddox Prize for Standing up for Science. This prize recognises the work of an individual who promotes sound science and evidence on a matter of public interest, facing difficulty or hostility in doing so. Now in its seventh year, the prize is named in honour of Sir John Maddox FRS, who was editor of *Nature* for 22 years and a founding trustee of Sense about Science.

To nominate someone for the prize or find out more, please visit the nominations website [here](#). Nominations close on 13 August, and the winner will be announced in November.

Other Upcoming Events

3-5 July 2018	Founding General Assembly International Science Council (ICSU/ISSC), Paris, France
4-6 July 2018	Ghana Academy of Sciences-NASAC-Leopoldina Conference on 'Sustainable African Cities', Accra, Ghana
6 July 2018	Young African Scientists in Europe / Jeunes chercheurs africains en Europe Conference 2018, Toulouse, France
9-14 July 2018	European Science Open Forum (ESOF), Toulouse, France.
9-18 July 2018	UN High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, New York, USA
13-14 August 2018	IAP Regional Workshop on the UN SDGs – Asia, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
20-24 August 2018	AAAS-TWAS Science Diplomacy course, Trieste, Italy
5-7 September 2018	IIASA-JRC-INGSA-GYA Evidence for Policy Summer School 2018 'Science, Policy and Demography', Laxenburg, Austria
10-12 September 2018	IAP Regional Workshop on the UN SDGs – Europe, Halle, Germany
19-20 September 2018	IAP Regional Workshop on the UN SDGs – Africa, Nairobi, Kenya
23-26 September 2018	GYA Executive Committee in-person meeting – Halle, Germany
25-28 September 2018	World Social Science Forum 'Security and Equality for Sustainable Futures', Fukuoka, Japan
7-9 October 2018	STS Forum 2018, Kyoto, Japan
14-16 October 2018	World Health Summit, Berlin, Germany

22-24 October 2018	CILAC, Open Science Forum for Latin America and the Caribbean, Panama City, Panama
26 October 2018	European Committee of the Regions 'Towards a society for all ages: Why and how should regional authorities combat ageism', Brussels, Belgium
5-8 November 2018	International Data Week 2018 , Gaborone, Botswana.
6-7 November 2018	Third INGSA Biennial Conference, Tokyo, Japan
9-11 April 2019	IAP Conference and General Assembly, South Korea
29 Apr-3 May 2019	GYA Anniversary Conference and Annual General Meeting /Alumni Reunion, Halle, Germany
29 July – 2 August 2019	4th Worldwide Meeting of Young Academies, Vietnam

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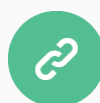
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