



WORLD FOOD FORUM 2025

YOUTH ASSEMBLY WFF FLAGSHIP EVENT GUIDE

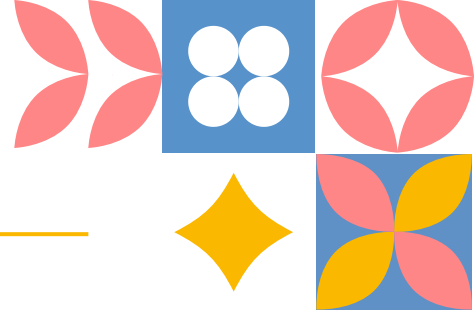


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Introduction to the World Food Forum Youth Assembly

Overview

- The World Food Forum (WFF) Youth Assembly is a youth-led platform empowering young people to engage in policy discussions on agrifood systems challenges and opportunities. It provides a structured space for youth to systematically contribute to agrifood systems policy and governance processes, ensuring their voices influence local, regional and global decision-making.

Bringing together diverse stakeholders such as young farmers, young parliamentarians, civil society groups, Indigenous youth, academia, youth organizations and partners, and national youth delegations, the Youth Assembly fosters inclusive and diverse participation.

Objectives

The primary objectives of the Youth Assembly are to:

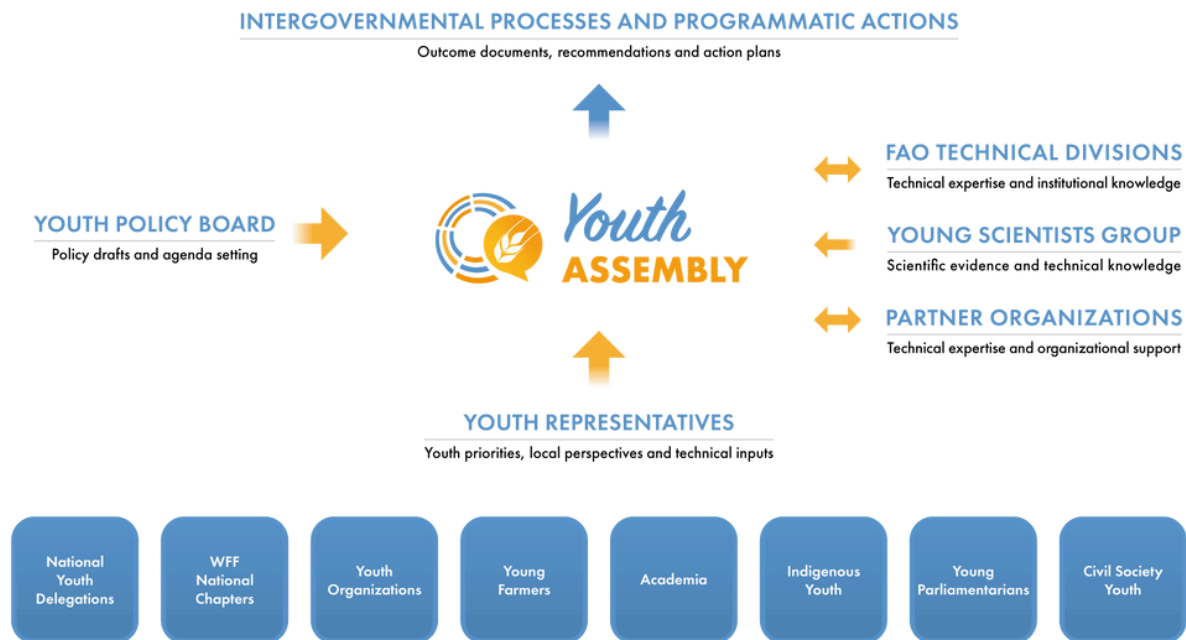
- advocate youth inclusion in the work and formation of policy products of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and other intergovernmental processes;
- ensure meaningful youth engagement in intergovernmental processes;
- adopt youth inputs and perspectives in policy formation; and
- translate inclusive policies into youth-led action.

Role of the Youth Policy Board

The Youth Assembly is guided by the WFF Youth Policy Board (YPB), an annual cohort of young leaders who act as its steering body. Composed of passionate youth leaders with expertise in food, agriculture and youth empowerment, the YPB ensures that youth voices are heard in key intergovernmental processes.

The YPB sets strategic priorities, plans activities, defines discussion agendas and contributes to key outcome documents. They seek to inform policy by ensuring that youth perspectives and inputs are gathered through inclusive dialogues and then presented in intergovernmental spaces. They also seek to bridge global policies with local action, driving tangible impact through initiatives like the Global Youth Action Plan 2025–2026.

Structure of the Youth Assembly



The Youth Assembly is youth-led in practice and design. While FAO hosts the Secretariat, the platform is governed and managed by the YPB. The YPB sets priorities, leads consultations, develops the agenda and prepares key outcome documents.

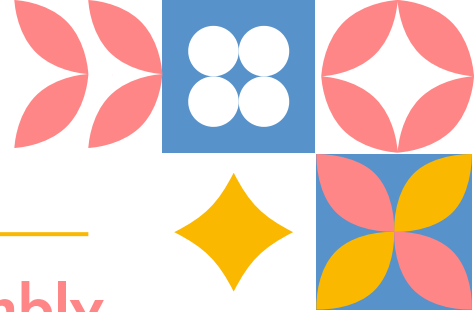
FAO continues to provide strategic guidance and support to ensure youth engagement aligns with major intergovernmental processes where youth input can make a meaningful difference. It also supports the Youth Assembly through the FAO Technical Divisions, which contribute subject-matter expertise and institutional knowledge to enhance the quality of discussions.

The Youth Assembly also benefits from the contributions of the WFF Young Scientists Group, another youth-led board created to provide scientific evidence and technical input. Every two years, this group produces a scientific report informed by the Youth Assembly's discussions.

Additionally, the Youth Assembly Partner Organizations also provide technical support and help strengthen outreach and engagement.

Critically, the Youth Assembly brings together a broad and diverse community of young stakeholders to ensure inclusive representation through the Youth Representatives Programme. This includes young farmers, young parliamentarians, civil society youth groups, Indigenous youth, academia, WFF National Youth Chapters, youth organizations and partners, and national youth delegations.

By uniting these voices, the Assembly ensures that a wide range of perspectives contribute to shaping agrifood systems policy.



Regional and thematic Youth Assembly sessions

The Regional Youth Assembly's consultations and sessions are a structured and inclusive process designed to engage youth from different geographic regions in identifying, prioritizing and addressing challenges and opportunities in agrifood systems. These consultations and sessions align with WFF's mission to empower youth as key stakeholders in agrifood systems transformation.

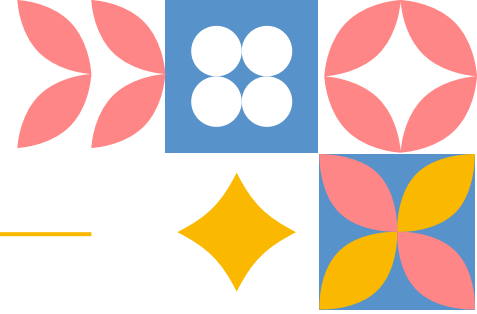
Regional consultations and sessions aim to:

- address regional specificities by facilitating discussions tailored to the unique challenges and opportunities within Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe and Central Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East and North Africa, and North America;
- amplify youth voices and ensure diverse regional youth perspectives are heard, particularly regarding sustainable development and agrifood systems transformation;
- promote inclusivity by creating platforms for youth from various backgrounds – including Indigenous communities, young farmers, students and activists – to engage in regional policymaking processes; and
- inform national, regional and global policies with actionable recommendations that reflect youth priorities.

The thematic Youth Assembly sessions and consultations are inclusive, action-oriented platforms that engage young people in key policy areas essential to transforming agrifood systems and advancing sustainable development. They aim to empower youth as changemakers and active participants in global, regional and national policy processes.

These processes aim to:

- drive youth engagement across ten priority thematic areas that are essential to sustainable agrifood systems;
- amplify youth perspectives through structured dialogues and consultations that bring together young people's technical expertise, perspectives collected through lived experiences, and innovative ideas to inform policy priorities and global agendas;
- link youth-led action to intergovernmental processes by generating evidence-based recommendations that contribute directly to international frameworks, conventions, and decision-making platforms on food and agriculture; and
- encourage interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral collaboration by fostering inclusive spaces where youth from diverse cultural, educational and professional backgrounds co-create holistic and impactful solutions.



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The Youth Assembly at the World Food Forum 2025 Flagship Event

The majority of the Youth Assembly sessions and roundtables will be held in the Ethiopia Room at the FAO headquarters in Rome, as well as online.

In-person Participation Guidelines

Ethiopia Room (in-person location)

To get to the Ethiopia Room at the FAO headquarters in Rome, follow these steps:

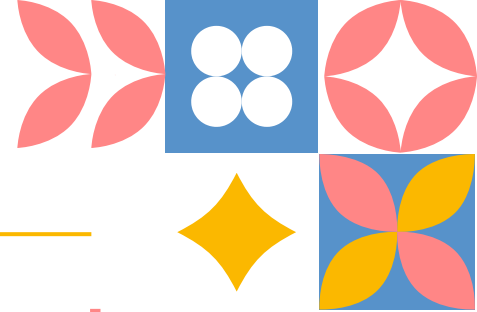
- Starting from building D: Upon entering FAO Headquarters via the entrance on Viale Aventino (under the Moroccan flag), you will arrive at building D.
- Proceed towards building B: you will find signs inside the building that will guide you in the right direction.
- Once you reach building B, locate the elevators or stairs. Take them to the second floor.
- After arriving on the second floor, follow the signs to Room C-285, known as the Ethiopia Room. The room should be well-marked and easy to spot on this floor.
- You will also find a map of the building at the end of this document.

Virtual Participation Guidelines

Zoom Events (online)

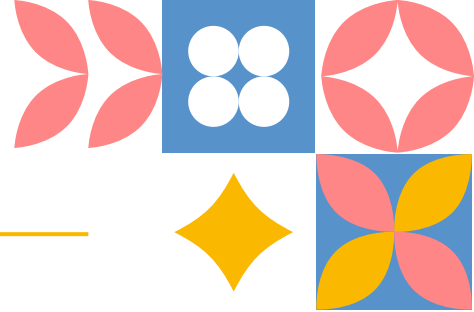
To join the sessions online, follow these steps:

- Register for the World Food Forum virtual participation [here](#).
- Once successfully registered, please search for the Youth Assembly session or roundtable that you would like to join using the codes below (e.g. "YA01").

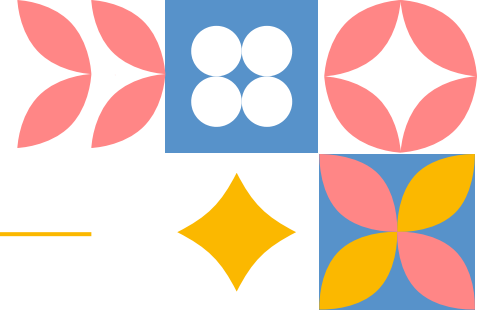


Youth Assembly sessions at the WFF flagship event overview

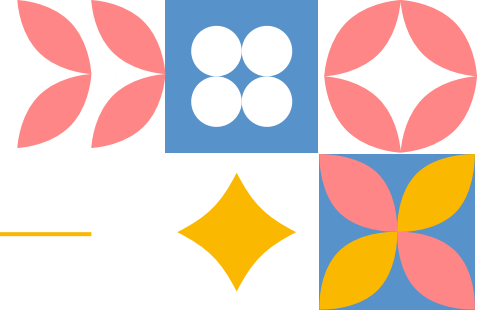
Code	Youth Assembly session	Date	Time in CEST	Location
YM02	From Policy to Action: Youth shaping global agrifood systems	14 Oct 2025	09:00–10:00	The Sheikh Zayed International Media and Knowledge Centre at FAO and Zoom Events
YA01	Youth Assembly session: Africa roundtable	14 Oct 2025	10:15–12:00	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA02	Youth Assembly session: Agrifood systems, NDC 3.0 and COP30	14 Oct 2025	12:10–13:40	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA03	Youth Assembly session: Near East and North Africa roundtable	14 Oct 2025	13:50–15:35	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA04	Youth Assembly session: Indigenous youth roundtable	14 Oct 2025	15:40–17:00	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA05	Youth Assembly session: Intergenerational roundtable on financial literacy	14 Oct 2025	17:05–18:10	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA06	Youth Assembly session: North America roundtable	14 Oct 2025	18:15–20:00	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA07	Youth Assembly session: Asia and the Pacific roundtable	15 Oct 2025	9:00–10:45	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events



YA08	Youth Assembly session: Europe and Central Asia roundtable	15 Oct 2025	10:50–12:35	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA09	Youth Assembly session: Young parliamentarians roundtable	15 Oct 2025	12:40–13:50	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA10	Youth Assembly session: Desertification, land degradation and drought	15 Oct 2025	13:55–15:25	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA11	Youth Assembly session: Fisheries and aquaculture	15 Oct 2025	15:30–17:00	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA12	Youth Assembly session: Youth perspectives on the Committee on World Food Security policy products	15 Oct 2025	17:10–18:10	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
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YA19	Youth Assembly session: Livestock	16 Oct 2025	16:50–18:20	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events
YA20	Youth Assembly session: Spotlight on agrifood systems across the three Rio Conventions	16 Oct 2025	18:30–20:00	Ethiopia Room at FAO and Zoom Events



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Youth Assembly sessions agenda

YA01: Youth Assembly session: Africa roundtable

Date: 14 October 2025

Time: 10:15–12:00 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, French

The [Africa](#) roundtable Youth Assembly session will convene young people, Member States and partners to present updates on the implementation of the [Global Youth Action Plan \(GYAP\) 2025–2026](#), facilitate intergenerational dialogue and conduct regional consultations.

Building on the achievements of the past five years and the ongoing implementation of the [GYAP 2025–2026](#), the session will provide a platform to share updates, exchange perspectives and identify regional youth priorities.

These consultations will not only highlight the contributions of young people across the region but will also generate outcomes that will be shared in the lead-up to the FAO Regional Conference for Africa in 2026 to advance youth led agrifood systems transformation.

Optional pre-reading: Readpages 1–6 of the [GYAP 2025–2026](#), which highlights Africa's regional plan and offers key context to inform discussions during the session.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly's engagements in the Africa region, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2021-2024 and a roadmap from 2025 until 2026.

YA02: Youth Assembly session: Agrifood systems, NDC 3.0 and COP30

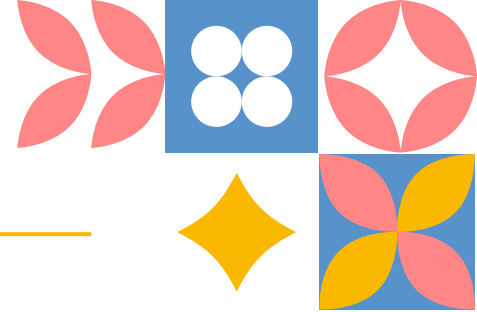
Date: 14 October 2025

Time: 12:10–13:40 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

This Youth Assembly session will empower young people to understand and influence [Nationally Determined Contributions \(NDCs\)](#), the national climate action plans at the heart of the [Paris Agreement](#). Participants will explore how food systems are (or are not) reflected in their countries' NDCs, gain tools to critique and strengthen them from a youth perspective, and identify ways to engage in policy processes. The session will equip young people to lead consultations, advocate for youth inclusion, and drive solutions that link climate action with agrifood system transformation.



Through interactive discussions, we will identify opportunities to mainstream youth-led solutions and priorities, preparing youth voices for meaningful engagement at the 30th Conference of Parties (COP30), and beyond.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly's Climate change theme, visit our webpage. Here, you can find engagements from 2024 and 2025, the overview of our previous Youth Assembly sessions and a roadmap to 2026.

YA03: Youth Assembly session: Near East and North Africa roundtable

Date: 14 October 2025

Time: 13:50–15:35 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through Zoom Events

Languages: English, French, Arabic

The Near East and North Africa roundtable Youth Assembly session will convene young people, Member States and partners to present updates on the implementation of the Global Youth Action Plan (GYAP) 2025-2026, facilitate intergenerational dialogue and conduct regional consultations.

Building on the achievements of the past five years and the ongoing implementation of the GYAP 2025-2026, the session will provide a platform to share updates, exchange perspectives and identify regional youth priorities.

These consultations will not only highlight the contributions of young people across the region but will also generate outcomes that will be shared in the lead-up to the FAO Regional Conference for the Near East and North Africa in 2026, to advance youth led agrifood systems transformation.

Optional pre-reading: Read pages 29–36 of the GYAP 2025–2026 highlight the Near East and North Africa's regional plan and offer key context to inform discussions during the session.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly's engagements in the Near East and North Africa region, visit our webpage. Here, you can find engagements from 2021–2024 and a roadmap from 2025 until 2026.

YA04: Indigenous youth roundtable

Date: 14 October 2025

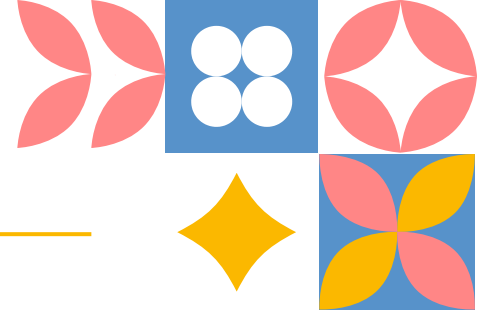
Time: 15:40–17:00 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through Zoom Events

Languages: English, French, Spanish

This roundtable session will convene young Indigenous leaders to share perspectives on the challenges facing their communities and the solutions they are advancing. The discussion will provide a space to exchange experiences, highlight the unique contributions of Indigenous youth and explore pathways to ensure their voices are meaningfully represented in the work of the Youth Assembly.

By facilitating dialogue and identifying priorities, the session aims to strengthen the role of Indigenous youth in driving inclusive and sustainable agrifood systems transformation.



YA05: Youth Assembly session: Improving access to finance for rural youth

Date: 14 October 2025

Time: 17:05–18:10 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

This roundtable session on capacity development responds to youth calls for enhanced financial literacy and skills training. It will convene young leaders, experts and institutional partners to exchange perspectives on practical tools, resources and opportunities that can empower youth to navigate financial systems, access funding and strengthen their initiatives in the agrifood sector and beyond.

By fostering dialogue and sharing experiences, the session aims to identify concrete approaches to support youth in building sustainable and impactful solutions that contribute to inclusive and resilient agrifood systems transformation.

YA06: Youth Assembly session: North America roundtable

Date: 14 October 2025

Time: 18:15–20:00 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, Spanish

The [North America](#) roundtable Youth Assembly session will convene young people, Member States and partners to present updates on the implementation of the [Global Youth Action Plan \(GYAP\) 2025–2026](#), facilitate intergenerational dialogue and conduct regional consultations.

Building on the achievements of the past five years and the ongoing implementation of the [GYAP 2025–2026](#), the session will provide a platform to share updates, exchange perspectives and identify regional youth priorities.

These consultations will not only highlight the contributions of young people across the region but will also generate updated regional youth priorities to advance youth led agrifood systems transformation.

Optional pre-reading: Read pages 37–42 of the [GYAP 2025–2026](#), which highlights North America’s regional plan and offers key context to inform discussions during the session.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly’s engagements in the North America region, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2021–2024 and a roadmap from 2025 until 2026.

YA07: Youth Assembly session: Asia and the Pacific roundtable

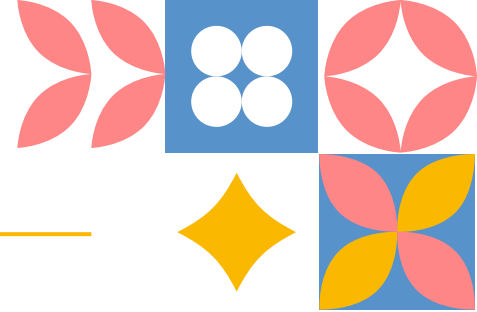
Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 9:00–10:45 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, Chinese

The [Asia and the Pacific](#) roundtable Youth Assembly session will convene young people, Member States and partners to present updates on the implementation of the [Global Youth Action Plan \(GYAP\) 2025–2026](#), facilitate intergenerational dialogue and conduct regional consultations.



Building on the achievements of the past five years and the ongoing implementation of the GYAP 2025-2026, the session will provide a platform to share updates, exchange perspectives and identify regional youth priorities.

These consultations will not only highlight the contributions of young people across the region but will also generate outcomes that will be shared in the lead-up to the FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific in 2026, to advance youth led agrifood systems transformation.

Optional pre-reading: Read pages 7–12 of the GYAP 2025–2026, which highlights Asia and the Pacific’s regional plan and offers key context to inform discussions during the session.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly’s engagements in the Asia and the Pacific region, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2021–2024 and a roadmap from 2025 until 2026.

YA08: Youth Assembly **session: Europe and Central Asia roundtable**

Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 10:50–12:35 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, Spanish, French, Russian

The Europe and Central Asia roundtable Youth Assembly session will convene young people, Member States and partners to present updates on the implementation of the Global Youth Action Plan (GYAP) 2025-2026, facilitate intergenerational dialogue and conduct regional consultations.

Building on the achievements of the past five years and the ongoing implementation of the GYAP 2025-2026, the session will provide a platform to share updates, exchange perspectives and identify regional youth priorities.

These consultations will not only highlight the contributions of young people across the region but will also generate outcomes that will be shared in the lead-up to the FAO Regional Conference for Europe and Central Asia in 2026, to advance youth led agrifood systems transformation.

Optional pre-reading: Read pages 13–20 of the GYAP 2025–2026, which highlights the Europe and Central Asia’s regional plan and offers key context to inform discussions during the session.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly’s engagements in the Europe and Central Asia region, visit our [webpage](#). H

YA09: Youth Assembly **session: Young parliamentarians roundtable**

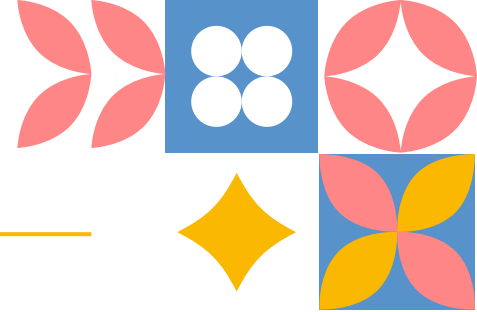
Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 12:40 to 13:50 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, Spanish, French

This roundtable session will bring together young parliamentarians to share perspectives on the challenges they face within their legislative roles and to identify solutions that strengthen youth representation through the work of the Youth Assembly.



Building on these discussions, the session will also explore youth perspectives on the [Global Parliamentary Pact against Hunger and Malnutrition](#), with a focus on how young people can contribute to its six key commitments in the lead-up to the Third Global Parliamentary Summit against Hunger and Malnutrition in 2026.

YA10: Youth Assembly **session: Desertification, land** **degradation and drought**

Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 13:55-15:25 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

This Youth Assembly session will bring young people together to contribute their ideas and solutions to a key international policy process on land and soil health.

In response to the [United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification \(UNCCD\) Decision 19/COP.16](#), FAO and UNCCD are developing guidance on avoiding, reducing and reversing the degradation of agricultural lands, which will be presented at The 17th Conference of the Parties (COP17) to the UNCCD in 2026.

The session will provide an overview of the draft guidance and create space for youth to engage directly with experts in shaping its content. By sharing perspectives on sustainable land use, food security and climate resilience, young people will help ensure that the guidance is inclusive, relevant, and impactful for addressing global land and soil degradation.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly's desertification, land degradation and drought theme, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2024 and 2025, the overview of our previous Youth Assembly sessions and a roadmap to 2026.

YA11: Youth Assembly **session: Fisheries and** **aquaculture**

Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 15:30–17:00 CEST

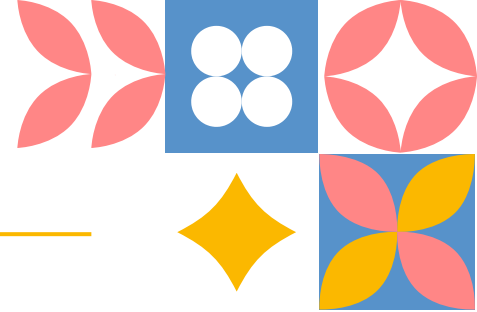
Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

The Youth Assembly session on [fisheries and aquaculture](#) will convene the Global Youth Constituency on Fisheries and Aquaculture to showcase its manifesto and 2026 milestones. Established at the 36th Committee on Fisheries in 2024, the Constituency empowers youth through capacity development, policy engagement and knowledge-sharing to advance inclusive and sustainable aquatic food systems.

Participants will hear from young leaders and other relevant stakeholders, explore strategies for youth-led blue transformation, and share insights on effective engagement in fisheries and aquaculture. Discussions will feed into the Constituency's action plan, strengthening partnerships and integrating youth perspectives into global fisheries and aquaculture processes.

Know more: To read more about the Global Youth Constituency on Fisheries and Aquaculture, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2024 and 2025, the overview of our previous Youth Assembly sessions and a roadmap to 2026.



YA12: Youth Assembly

session: Youth perspectives on the Committee on World Food Security policy products

Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 17:10–18:10 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

This Youth Assembly session will introduce the Committee on World Food Security (CFS), the UN's foremost inclusive platform for food security and nutrition policy, which brings together governments, UN agencies, civil society, private sector and others to promote evidence-based policymaking. Through a dynamic workshop, youth will explore key CFS policy products and discuss how to support leveraging their impact. Participants will engage in hands-on discussions to navigate CFS policy tools and learn how to co-design strategies to benefit from this global policy framework.

YA13: Youth Assembly

session: Latin America and the Caribbean roundtable

Date: 15 October 2025

Time: 18:15–20:00 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese

The [Latin America and the Caribbean](#) roundtable Youth Assembly session will convene young people, Member States and partners to present updates on the implementation of the [Global Youth Action Plan \(GYAP\) 2025–2026](#), facilitate intergenerational dialogue and conduct regional consultations.

Building on the achievements of the past five years and the ongoing implementation of the [GYAP 2025–2026](#), the session will provide a platform to share updates, exchange perspectives and identify regional youth priorities.

These consultations will not only highlight the contributions of young people across the region but will also generate outcomes that will be shared in the lead-up to the FAO Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean in 2026 to advance youth led agrifood systems transformation.

Optional pre-reading: Read pages 21–28 of the [GYAP 2025–2026](#), which highlights the Latin America and the Caribbean regional plan and offers key context to inform discussions during the session.

Know more: To read more about the Youth Assembly's engagements in the Latin America and the Caribbean region, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2021–2024 and a roadmap from 2025–2026.

YA14: Youth Assembly

session: Rome Water Dialogue

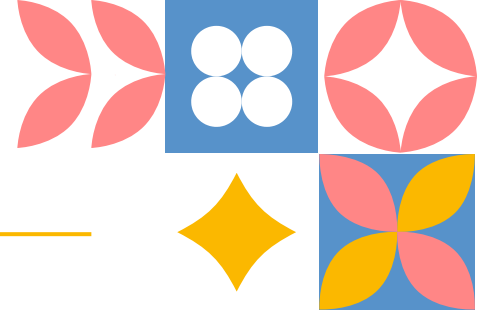
Date: 16 October 2025

Time: 9:00–10:30 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

The Youth Assembly session on the Rome Water Dialogue will gather young innovators, FAO Member States, and partners to advance youth-led solutions for agricultural water challenges. The session builds on the 2025 thematic Youth Assembly's recommendations and case studies, fostering intergenerational dialogue and policy engagement.



Participants will take part in an intergenerational dialogue, hear insights from Rome Water Dialogue country representatives and explore strategies for strengthening meaningful youth participation. The outcomes will contribute to the Youth Assembly 2026 Water Roadmap, helping to shape actions that connect FAO, its Member States and global youth networks working on water.

Know more: To read more about the thematic Youth Assembly on water management, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2024 and 2025, the overview of our previous Youth Assembly sessions and a roadmap to 2026.

YA15: Youth Assembly session: Forestry

Date: 16 October 2025

Time: 10:40- 12:10 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

The Youth Assembly session on [forestry](#) will unite young leaders and other relevant stakeholders to explore innovation, restoration, and resilience in forestry and agrifood systems. Building on July's consultation outcomes, the session will highlight youth-led solutions that address deforestation, strengthen rural economies, and enhance food security.

Participants will review the Youth Statement on Forestry, engage in intergenerational dialogue, and learn from technical experts and partner organizations. Discussions will tackle barriers to innovation, integrate scientific and indigenous knowledge, and shape youth pathways to influence policy. Insights will inform the Youth Assembly activities in the lead up to COFO28 and the 2026 forestry roadmap.

Know more: to read more about the thematic Youth Assembly on Forestry, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2024 and 2025, the overview of our previous Youth Assembly sessions and a roadmap to 2026.

YA16: Youth Assembly session: COP30 Global Youth Statement

Date: 16 October 2025

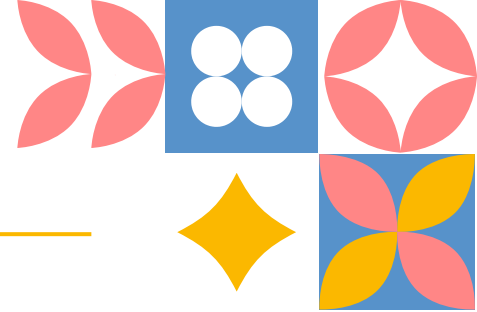
Time: 12:20– 13:50 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

This Youth Assembly session will serve as a preparatory platform to gather input from youth for [YOUNGO's](#) Global Youth Statement 2025 to be presented at the [30th Conference of Parties \(COP30\)](#). This session provides a space to build common positions on climate policy and allows participants to engage with YOUNGO members and ask questions to experts. In this workshop we will invite participants to take a closer look at the technical aspects of the agriculture negotiations in the [United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change](#) process, provide inputs and synthesize the position paper. The participants will also lead the synthesizing process of the document.

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YA17: Youth Assembly session: The 2nd UN Food Systems Summit Stocktake follow up

Date: 16 October 2025

Time: 14:00–15:20 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

The Youth Assembly session on the 2nd UN Food Systems Summit Stocktake +4 (UNFSSS+4) provided a platform for actors across the food system to reflect on progress since the 2021 UN Food Systems Summit and look ahead with ambition.

The presentation of the UNFSS+4 Youth Declaration on Food Systems called for bold and decisive action across three pillars: advocacy, empowerment and action. This Youth Assembly session will ensure momentum is brought from UNFSS+4 to the WFF flagship event and beyond.

Participants will hear from the WFF Youth Policy Board and the UN Food Systems Coordination Hub on the consultative process that led to the Youth Declaration and engage in an interactive dialogue on how each region's identified priorities can move from policy to action.

Participants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with their region's priorities [here](#) and join the session with ideas on how to implement, finance and scale youth-led initiatives that address today's food systems challenges.

Optional pre-reading: Read the [Updated Youth Declaration on Food Systems Transformation](#) that was presented at UNFSS+4 earlier this year, which highlights key priorities that may help inform discussions during the session.

YA18: Youth Assembly session: Young farmers roundtable

Date: 16 October 2025

Time: 15:30–16:45 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Languages: English, Spanish, French

This roundtable will provide a dedicated space for young farmers to explore and discuss their crucial role in shaping the future of agriculture, while identifying ways to bring these perspectives into the Youth Assembly. Organized within the framework of the United Nations decade on family farming, the session will underscore the leadership of young people in driving more inclusive, resilient and sustainable agrifood systems.

YA19: Youth Assembly session: Livestock

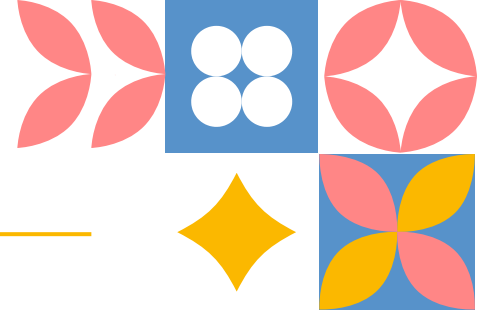
Date: 16 October 2025

Time: 16:50–18:20 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

The Youth Assembly session on [Livestock](#) will bring together youth, partners and Member States to advance sustainable livestock transformation. Building on the Global Youth Dialogue (2023) and previous Youth Assembly sessions (2024–2025), the consultation will focus on youth-led contributions to sustainable production, the One Health approach and environmental stewardship.



Participants will review findings from past consultations, hear from technical experts and partners, and contribute to shaping a Youth Statement with a roadmap to the Committee on Agriculture (Sub-Committee on Livestock 2026). Discussions will foster intergenerational exchange, strengthen networks and mobilize youth to influence global livestock policies.

Know more: To read more about the thematic Youth Assembly on livestock, visit our [webpage](#). Here, you can find engagements from 2024 and 2025, the overview of our previous Youth Assembly sessions and a roadmap to 2026.

YA20: Youth Assembly

session: Spotlight on agrifood systems across the three Rio Conventions

Date: 16 October 2025

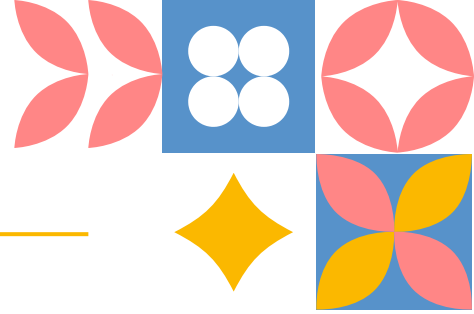
Time: 18:30–20:00 CEST

Location: Ethiopia Room, FAO HQ and Online through [Zoom Events](#)

Language: English

This Youth Assembly session will explore the role that agrifood systems solutions play across the intersections of climate change, biodiversity conservation and land restoration. Building on the objectives of the [Rio Conventions](#), it will highlight how integrated approaches can address these interconnected global challenges while achieving food security through the alignment of national policy instruments. The session will also highlight the essential role of the respective youth constituencies in advancing agrifood system-related priorities in the negotiations and beyond.

By sharing successful case studies, best practices and tools, the event aims to foster knowledge exchange, promote soil health, advance sustainable agricultural practices, and strengthen collaboration across sectors and governance levels to accelerate the transformation of agrifood systems.



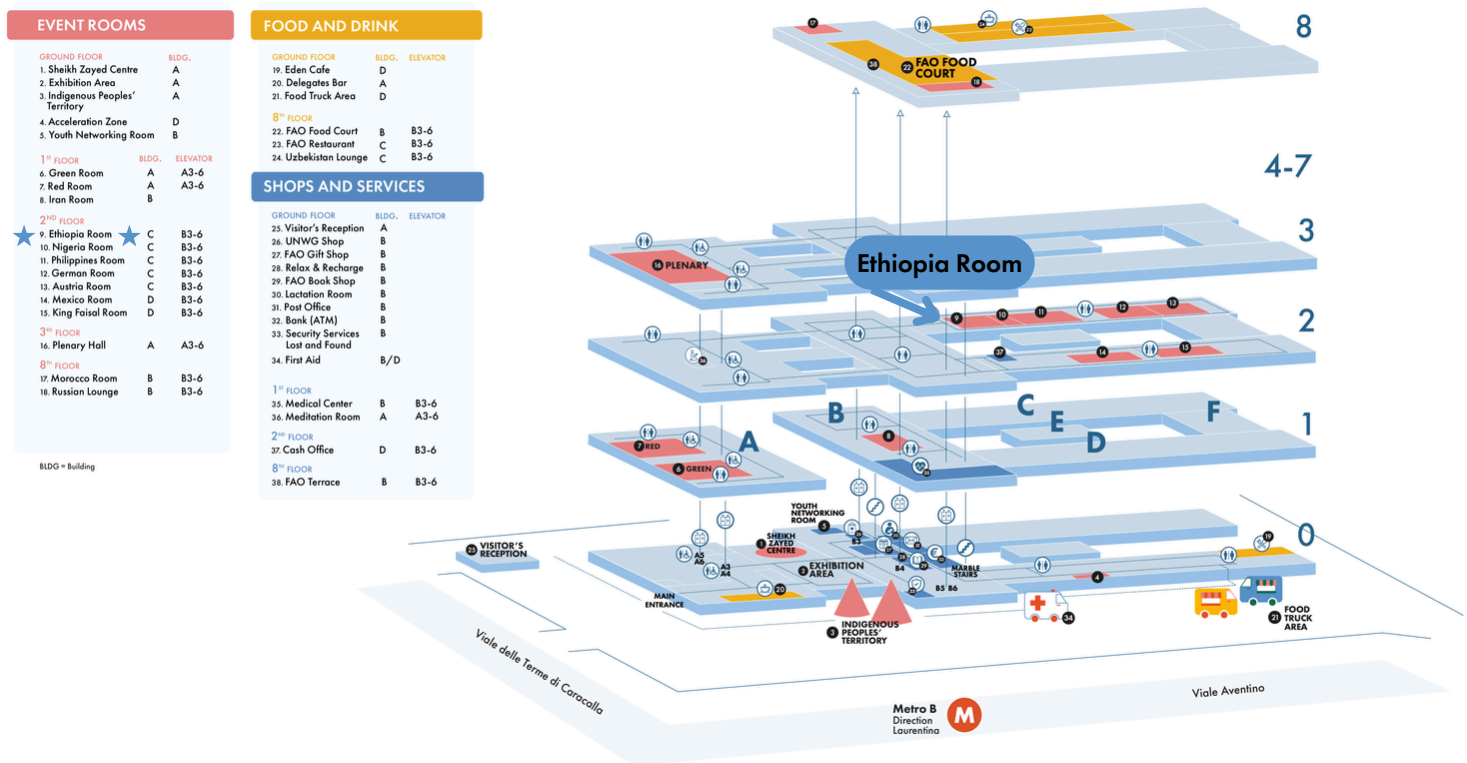
04 Additional Resources

WhatsApp channel

We warmly invite all participants interested in engaging with the Youth Assembly during the WFF Flagship Event 2025 to join the [Youth Assembly Participants' WhatsApp channel](#). Through this channel, you will receive timely updates on upcoming sessions and related opportunities.

FAO map

Please refer to the FAO map below to better navigate the premises. All Youth Assembly sessions will be held in the Ethiopia Room throughout the week.





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