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## LIST OF HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS

Economic and Social Council Youth Forum 2017

### The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity in a changing world

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High-level officials are invited to contribute to the interactive discussions during the two days of the Forum. The lists below *do not* constitute a list of speakers. It is only a list of the High-level officials who will participate in the 2017 ECOSOC Youth Forum. As of 27 January 2017, the following high-level officials, including at the ministerial level, registered are:

- His Highness Shaikh Nasser Bin Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa, His Majesty the King's Representative for Youth and Charity Affairs, Chairman of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, President of the Bahrain Olympic Committee
- H.E. Ms. Sophie Karmasin, Minister of Family and Youth, Austria
- H.E. Ms. Samantha Marshall, Minister of Social Transformation and Human Resource Development, Antigua and Barbuda
- H.E. Mr. Pedro Robledo, National Under-Secretary-General of Youth, Argentina
- H.E. Mr. Azad Rahimov, Minister of Youth and Sports, Azerbaijan
- H.E. Mr. Hisham Al-Jowder, Minister of Youth and Sports Affairs, Kingdom of Bahrain
- H.E. Dr. Shri Biren Sikder, Minister of State, Ministry of Youth & Sports, People's Republic of Bangladesh
- H.E. Mr. Stephen Lashley, Minister of Culture, Sports, and Youth, Barbados
- H.E. Mr. Igor Cmadak, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- H.E. Dr. Sean Borath, Secretary of State, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, and Member of National Youth Development Council, Cambodia
- H.E. Mr. Mounouna Foutsou, Minister for Youth and Civic Education, Cameroon
- H.E. Mr. Simplicite-Sylvere Ngarso, Minister of Youth and Sports, Central African Republic
- Mr. Nicolás Farfán Cerda, Director, National Institute of Youth, Chile





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- Mr. Song Yang, Deputy Secretary-General, All-China Youth Federation, China
- H.E. Mr. Jose Ricardo Sanchez, Vice-Minister of Youth, Costa Rica
- H.E. Dr. Marin Strmota, State Secretary, Ministry of Demography, Family, Youth, and Social Policy, Croatia
- H.E. Mr. Daniel Herman, Minister of Culture, Czech Republic
- H.E. Mr. Henry Yasser Jordan, Vice Minister, Ministry of Youth, Dominican Republic
- H.E. Ms. Karen Ellemann, Minister of Equal Opportunities, Denmark
- Mr. Revaz Javelidze, Deputy Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs, Georgia
- Mr. Edgar Chin, Managing Director, National Youth Council, Guatemala
- H.E. Mr. Abdel Hussein Abdel Reza Abtan, Minister of Youth and Sports, Republic of Iraq
- H.E. Mr. Eitvydas Bingelis, Vice-Minister of Social Security and Labour, Lithuania
- Mr. Marjan Spaseski, Director of the Agency for Youth and Sport, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- H.E. Mr. Jose-Manuel Romero Coello, Director General, Mexican Institute for Youth, Mexico
- H.E. Mr. Daljit B.K. Sripali, Minister of Youth and Sports, Nepal
- H.E. Mr. Kaasoum Moctar, Minister of Youth and Sports, Niger
- H.E. Mr. Nasir Saidu Adhama, Senior Special Assistant to the Nigerian President on Youth & Student Affairs, Nigeria
- H.E. Ms. Solveig Horne, Minister of Children, Equality and Social Inclusion, Norway
- H.E. Undersecretary Mr. Cariza Y. Segueria, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, National Youth Council, Philippines
- H.E. Mr. Tiago Brandão Rodrigues, Minister of Education, Portugal
- H.E. Mr. Alexey Palamarchuk, Head, Federal Agency for Youth Affairs, Russian Federation
- H.E. Mr. Vanja Udovičić, Minister of Youth and Sports, Republic of Serbia
- H.E. Mr. Shanta Bandara, State Secretary, Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs, Sri Lanka
- H.E. Mr. Çağatay Kiliç, Minister of Youth and Sports, Turkey
- H.E. Mr. Santiago Soto, Director of the National Youth Institute of Uruguay
- H.E. Mr. Moses Mawere, Minister of Youth, Sport and Child Development, Zambia



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**Other high-level participants include:**

Parliamentarians and municipal officials

- Ms. Shenella Govia, Senator, Antigua and Barbuda
- Ms. Lucilla Crexel, Senator and Member of the Board of IPU Forum of young parliamentarians, Argentina
- Ms. Rania Elwany, MP and Member of the Board of IPU Forum of young parliamentarians, Egypt
- Mr. Hasan Yousif Kareem, Head, Youth Parliament, Iraq
- Mr. Raphael Igbokwe, MP and Member of the Board of IPU Forum of young parliamentarians, Nigeria
- Mr. Saeed Alremeithi, MP and President of IPU Forum of young parliamentarians, United Arab Emirates

Senior representatives of governments

- Mr. Agusti Pifarré Gallostra, Coordinator of Youth and Volunteers Policy, Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports, Andorra
- Mr. Donaldo Belli, Coordinator, Federal Youth Organization, Argentina
- Ms. Camilla Crescimbeni, National Director of Territorial Coordination, Ministry of Social Development, Argentina
- Mr. Davit Hayrapetyan, Director of Youth Events, Holding Center, Armenia
- Ms. Ingrid Nemeč, Head of Section for Family and Youth, Federal Ministry for Family and Youth, Austria
- Mr. Smith Hermann Ahouandjinou, Director of Youth, Recreation and Community Associations, Ministry of Sports, Bénin
- Mr. Cleviston Hunte, Director of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Culture, Sports & Youth, Barbados
- H.E. Dr. Om Sethy, Deputy Director-General of Education, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, and Deputy Secretary-General of National Youth Development Council, Cambodia
- H.E. Mr. Hour Chhunkry, Deputy Inspectorate-General of Inspection, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, and Deputy Secretary-General of National Youth Development Council, Cambodia



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- H.E. Mr. Chek Lim, Deputy Director-General of Youth, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, and Deputy Secretary-General of National Youth Development Council, Cambodia
- Mr. Jean Marc Afesi Mbafor, President, National Youth Council, Cameroon
- Ms. Tatiana Choudi, President, National Youth Network, Cameroon
- Mr. Dong Du, Deputy Director, International Department, All-China Youth Federation, China
- Mr. Juan Carlos Reyes, Director, Colombia Joven, Colombia
- H.E. Mr. Carlos Andres Munoz Yanez, Chairman, Intergenerational Equality Council, Ecuador
- Ms. Boglarka Illes, J.D. Deputy State Secretary for Youth Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Ministry of Human Capacities, Hungary
- Mr. Kgopotso Ramoroka, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sport and Culture Development, Botswana
- Ms. Souare Nakloba, Chief of Staff, Ministry of Youth, Employment and Civic Services, Cote d'Ivoire
- Mrs. Lira Raissova, Deputy Director of the Department of Youth Policy, Ministry of Religious Affairs and Civil Society of Republic of Kazakhstan
- Ms. Lillian Mbogo-Omollo, Principal Secretary in charge of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs, Kenya
- Ms. Sara Al Fares, Assistant to Undersecretary of Youth, Ministry of State for Youth Affairs, Kuwait
- Mrs. Gunta Arāja, Deputy State Secretary, Director of the Department of Policy Initiatives and Development, Ministry of Education and Science, Latvia
- Mr. Andis Geižāns, Head of the office of the Minister of Education and Science, Latvia
- Mr. Ognen Stojanovski, Advisor, the Agency for Youth & Sport, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- Mrs. Berenice Alcalde Castro, Deputy Director General, Mexican Institute for Youth, Mexico
- Mr. Stuard Penias, Youth & Disability Focal Point. Dep. Of Health and Social Affairs, Micronesia
- Mr. Abdelghani Berdi, Head of Public Relations, Media planning and Events Section at the Communication Department, National Human Right Council, Morocco



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- Mr. Tej Raj Pandey, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Youth and Sports, Nepal
- Mr. Amos Isaac, Director General of youth and permanent education, Ministry of Youth and Sports, Niger
- Mr. Alio Oumarou, Chairman, National Youth Council, Niger
- Ms. Magali Caceres, International Advisor, National Secretariat for Youth, Paraguay
- Ms. Jenivie Anne Ramirez-Salmo, Assistant Division Chief, Research Division, National Youth Council, Philippines
- H.E. Mr. João Paulo Rebelo, Secretary of State for Youth and Sport, Portugal
- Mr. Hugo Carvalho, President, National Youth Council, Portugal
- Ms. Hannah Park, Assistant Director, Ministry of Gender Equality and Family, Republic of Korea
- Mr. Dmitry Ivanov, Head, International Division, Federal Agency for Youth Affairs, Russian Federation
- Mr. Amadou Lamine Dieng, Director-General, Ministry of Youth and Employment, Senegal
- Mr. David Chua, Chief Executive Officer, National Youth Council, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, Singapore
- Ms. Nurhaya Binte Yatiman, Manager, National Youth Council, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, Singapore
- Mr. Hon Peow Sin, Senior Training Consultant, National Youth Council, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, Singapore
- Mr. Manit Maneethum, Deputy Director General, Department of Children and Youth, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, Thailand
- Ms. Sangdao Aree, Director International Cooperation Group, Strategy and Planning Division, Department of Children and Youth, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, Thailand
- Ms. Lillian Aber, Chairperson, National Youth Council, Uganda
- Mr. Andrew Rabens, Special Adviser for Global Youth Issues, State Department, USA
- Ms. Susan Reichle, Counsellor, United States Agency for International Development – USAID
- Mr. Kennedy Muma Mukupa, Chief Youth Development Officer, Ministry of Youth, Sport and Child Development, Zambia

Senior representatives of intergovernmental and international organizations





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- Ms. *Katherine Ellis*, Director of Youth Affairs, *Commonwealth Secretariat*
- Mr. Kishva Ambigapathy, Chair, Commonwealth Youth Council
- Mr. Rui Gomes, Education and Training Division, Youth Department, Council of Europe
- Mr. Max Trejo, Secretary-General, Ibero-American Youth Organization
- Mr. Luis Viguria, Chief Executive Officer, Young Americas Business Trust, Organization of American States
- Ms. Valerie Lorena, Executive Director, Young Americas Business Trust, Organization of American States
- Mr. Ma-umba Mabila, Director, Education and Youth, Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie
- Ms. Francine Muyumba, President, Pan African Youth Union