

YOUTH AND CHILDREN MAJOR GROUP INTERVENTION IN ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Thank you for such good opportunity. We, the children and youth believe that UNEP along with the governments support civil society engagement, especially for children and youth. As you know the children and youth have been concerned about environmental issues for some years, even during Rio+20 Summit previously. We also would like to inform that last week, 10-14 February there was TUNZA International Youth Conference 2013, a programme from UNEP to encourage children and youth on environmental awareness.

Around 300 participants from over 100 countries gathered here in Nairobi, Kenya and produced outcome whis related to the future of UNEP and stakeholder's participation. Speaking of effective engagement from civil society, we purpose UNEP to encourage system that facilitate young people that nit tokenistic. Leading by example, UNEP should enable individuals to develop and share skills for inclusive involvement. We highly recommend UNEP to organize special session on children and youth perspective towards environmental sustainability and UNEP institutional framework for the next GC meeting as we need effective organizational structure of TUNZA and stronger support from the government.

In terms of the name for the new universal governing body, we hope UNEP can reiterate and effectively implement the universal principle during the meeting, which also support children and youth ideas or thoughts. Thank you very much.