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Stakeholder Meetings, Okayama, 4-8 November



UNESCO ESD Youth Conference

7 November 2014
Okayama, Japan

Draft Programme

Thursday, 6 November (pre-conference day)

- 13:30-14:00 Registration
- 14:00-14:15 Introduction to the conference
- 14:15-15:00 Getting to know each other
- Icebreaker 'Four Corners'
- Storytelling 'Transformative moment in your life which made you who you are today'
- 15:00-16:00 Vision sharing for ESD
'What is our vision for a sustainable future?'
'What are the shared values we wish to promote through ESD?'
- 16:00-16:30 Regional group exchange on ESD challenges
- 18:00-21:00 Participation in the Welcome Ceremony hosted by Okayama City

Friday, 7 November

- 09:30-10:15 Opening plenary session
- Welcome remarks by representative of MEXT (5 min)
- Opening remarks by representative of UNESCO (5 min)
- Keynote address by Sally Asker, Director, InSIGHT Sustainability
- Guest presentation by the Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development
- 10:15-10:30 Break
- 10:30-12:30 Parallel workshop sessions 'How can we scale up ESD actions beyond 2014?'
(three recommendations per discussion group to be developed)
- Discussion 1: Policy advancement
Integrating ESD into international and national policies
- Discussion 2: Whole-institution approach
Engaging all stakeholders to transform learning and training environment including curriculum
- Discussion 3: Educators and trainers
Building capacities of educators and trainers to become learning facilitators for ESD

Discussion 4: Innovative learning for youth

Enhancing learning opportunities through innovative programmes including E-learning

Discussion 5: Local communities

Accelerating sustainable solutions at the local level through ESD

Discussion 6: Sustainability challenges

Making ESD a more central part of international response to sustainability challenges such as climate change, biodiversity and disaster risk reduction

Discussion 7: Social entrepreneurship

Incubating social projects and entrepreneurship through ESD

Discussion 8: Women and marginalized groups

Empowering women and marginalized groups through ESD

12:30-13:55	Lunch break / Poster exhibition
13:55-15:00	Presentation of outcomes of the parallel sessions
15:00-15:15	Break
15:15-16:30	Plenary discussion session 'Mobilizing youth for ESD action'
16:30-17:15	Wrap-up and agreement on the outline of the Youth Statement ¹
17:15-17:30	Closing
18:00-20:00	Reception hosted by Mayor of Okayama City

¹ The drafting committee will develop and distribute the draft Youth Statement to other conference participants for its adoption on 8 November 2014.