

Youth to Youth (Y2Y) Community

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The Y2Y community

is a network of young World Bank Group (WBG) employees aiming to channel fresh ideas and perspectives into WBG operations and to engage, inspire, and empower youth in development.

Y2Y coordinates events and activities that promote the community's objectives and encourage collaboration and sharing among the young development community.

- Youth Innovation Fund
- Global Youth Conference
- Career development events, initiatives, and networking opportunities
- Brown bag lunches and seminars about development issues
- Community service and social engagement opportunities
- Mentorship program

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Engage

PARTNERSHIPS

Y2Y enhances the diversity of its membership by partnering with internal and external organizations to promote the Bank's youth agenda and to cooperate on development issues.

A sampling of just a few Y2Y partners:

Global Young Professionals Program (Brookings Institution), Society for International Development (SID) Young Professionals Workgroup, Young Americas Business Trust (Organization of American States), Young Connection (Inter-American Development Bank), Young Professionals for International Cooperation (YPIC) of the United Nations Association—National Capitol Area (UNA-NCA), Young Professionals in Foreign Policy (YPPF).

GLOBAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

Y2Y hosts the Global Youth Conference at World Bank Headquarters each year to engage the broader development community with young people around the world. Y2Y volunteers plan and organize the conference, which is open to a global audience.

Inspire

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

The Y2Y Mentorship Program encourages career development of young WBG employees through one-on-one relationships with accomplished senior staff. All WBG employees can participate.

“I joined the World Bank at a relatively young age, 24 years, and I strongly believe that if I stand tall today, I stand on the shoulders of others—senior staff who have mentored me over the years.”

Bhuvan Bhatnagar

Lead Social Development Specialist, South Asia



Empower

YOUTH INNOVATION FUND

The YIF program provides an opportunity for young WBG employees to design and implement youth development projects in client countries. The program delivers funding, technical assistance, and knowledge exchange through partnerships with local organizations and youth.

- The value of individual grants ranges between USD 10,000 and USD 18,000 per project, for a duration of 9 to 14 months.
- Between 2005-2009, over 62 projects in 42 countries were funded and implemented with seed funding exceeding USD 527,000.



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