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The ESD Forum 2015: What is it?

The ESD Forum 2015 is a Summer School in Tokyo on Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Development, organized by iuventum and hosted at United Nations University and Miraikan.

Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) means education that enables people to foresee, face up to and solve the problems that threaten life on our planet, and that highlights the complexity and interdependence of three spheres, the environment, society and economy. *(Source: UNESCO – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)*

What to get out of it?

- Global competence: Know more about the present and the foreseeable future of our world
- Entrepreneurship: Explore ESD issues with an economic and entrepreneurial perspective
- Leadership: Improve leadership skills for the future
- Take the ESD Certificate for academic and professional purposes
- Get access to the ESD Forum alumni network, UNFCCC and ECOSOC meetings

How to get involved?

- Eligibility: Students, professionals and internationally-interested senior people can apply to participate. Participants obtain the ESD Certificate, grading is based on on-time attendance (50%) and presentations (50%) as follows; A+: 90-100, A: 85-89, A-: 80-84, B+: 77-79, B: 73-76, B-: 70-72, C+: 67-69, C: 63-66, C-: 60-62, D+: 57-59, D: 53-56, D-: 50-52, E: -49%. The ESD Certificate can be used for academic credit and professional purposes.
- Dress code: Basically smart casual
- Program language: English. To prove English proficiency, international applicants can supplement their application by submitting an official TOEFL score report via ETS. The ETS code of iuventum is 6407.
- Insurance and Visa: Each participant is responsible for having a travel health insurance. Participants may enter as tourists to join the Summer School in Tokyo (and for tourism in Japan before/after the Summer School, if applicable). Each participant is responsible for obtaining a visa, if applicable.
- Enrollment: Total fee for ESD Forum enrollment by 10 January 2015: €300, by 10 February: €310, by 10 March: €320, by 10 April: €330, by 10 May: €340, by 10 June: €350, after 10 June: €360. Basically €100, after 10 March: 40%, after 10 April: 60%, after 10 May: 80%, and after 10 June: 100% of program fee will be charged in case of cancellation. Individual expenses such as meals, accommodation and travel expenses to/from Tokyo are not covered. Application and fee transfer will be confirmed for enrollment.

iuventum was founded in 2009 as a charitable organization and incorporated in Germany and the US. The ESD Forum was established in 2011, recognized by the Japan Council on the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD-J) and the German Commission for UNESCO - Secretariat, UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, and supported by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Japan, and the Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ), Germany. iuventum is an organization in observer status in the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) process and in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).