International Youth Day:

Inspiring the Next Generation of Researchers in Sustainability

UNU-HQ, Elizabeth Rose Hall, 5F 12 August 2011, 10:00 to 18:00

The United Nations University - Institute of Advanced Studies, together with Hosei University and iuventum, a German-based NGO, will join efforts to celebrate International Youth Day with a one-day programme that aims to inspire students (high school, undergraduate and graduate students) with encouraging stories to promote building a more sustainable world, whilst offering reflections upon the possibilities of how practical activities may be developed within their own spheres of influence and the contribution a career in research can make to this effort.

This programme has been designed to be delivered by youth speaking to youth, focusing on academic work relevant to raise awareness and show that young individuals can identify robust solutions for the collective problems faced by humanity, hopes that it will inspire the next generation to engage with sustainability research.

Programme*

10:00 Opening Remarks

UNU-IAS Representative Hosei University Representative iuventum Representative

10:15 Keynote Speech

Ambassador Mutsuyoshi Nishimura

10:45 **Break**

11:00 Panel Discussion

Moderator: Professor Yuji Suzuki RCE Chubu ASP-Net Osaka Citynet

12:30 Lunch

13:30 Ph.D. Panel

Selected participants from the 2011 ProSPER.Net Young Researchers' School

14:15 3-Minute Thesis Competition

Three Finalists among the 2011 ProSPER.Net Young Researchers' School

14:45 Break

15:00 Research Proposal Presentations

Three presenters from the 2011 ProSPER.Net Young Researchers' School

15:45 Announcement of the winner of the 3-Minute Thesis Competition and Closing Remarks

16:00 Refreshments

* The programme will be delivered entirely in English and is subject to modification.









