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✓ *UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY 2016*

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
11 July 2016	World Population Day	Melaka, Malaysia
15 July 2016	World Youth Skills Day	Melaka, Malaysia
18 July 2016	Nelson Mandela International Day	Melaka, Malaysia
30 July 2016	International Day of Friendship	Melaka, Malaysia



✓ NAMIBIA: KATUTURA YOUTH ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND CAREER FAIR

Windhoek, 3 June 2016 - THE 6th Annual Katutura Career Fair, to be held at the Habitat Research Centre in June 2016, organised by the Young Achievers Empowerment Project.

Young Achievers Empowerment Project will host the 6th Annual Katutura Career Fair in June at the Habitat Research Centre, under the theme 'Awakening Innovative Opportunities'.

The Young Achievers committee, said that the Career Fair is designed to showcase, inspire and educate the youth on the vast number of career paths and opportunities available to them.

"This year grade 10 and 11 student will be our target and we are expecting approximately 300 students from the Katutura identified schools to attend," they announced.

The committee said the fair will provide pupils and the youth from Katutura and the surrounding areas with experts from various industries and professions, to share their experiences and impart valuable knowledge and insights on career paths and choices.

"The official opening ceremony is set to start at 09:00 and will be addressed by Helena Ngaifiwa who is also the patron of the career fair, the Junior Mayor of the City of Windhoek and other

stakeholders," they added. The committee encouraged learners and out of school youth to make use of this opportunity and attend this important event.

The Young Achievers emphasised on the fact that this will be an opportunity for organizations to connect directly with tomorrow's workforce and provide employment and career information, guidance to prospective employees.

"To our fellow youth, please make a turn, become a constructive builder of your own career path and let us contribute to vision 20130, as young people we are the future leaders and shapers of our society," they added.

The Young Achievers Empowerment Project is a youth organisation that aims to provide young people with a sense of vision and mission in life.

The group meets every Saturday at the Multi Purpose Center to discuss and motivate the youth on issues pertaining youth development.

They have also invited a number of Ministries, private organizations and parastatals as well as Academic Institutions to showcase the different career opportunities in their respective organisation.

[Namibia Economist]

✓ NIGERIA: EKWEREMADU ON YOUTH INVESTMENT

Abuja, 2 June 2016 - IN an environment such as ours, one wonders how youths can come across platforms or avenues for investments or start-up businesses.

Fortunately, there are fora such as summits, seminars, conferences; etc that comes in handy where youth can get useful ideas in the area of their specific need.

One of such meetings held recently in Enugu State, The Oganiru Enugu State Investment Summit.

It emphasized on key areas open for investment, especially in the State.

The summit was attended by key industry leaders and top financial investors who enlightened participants on the areas for investment and how they could go about it. Such key areas were: solid

minerals and mining, real estate, hospitality and tourism, entertainment, transportation and agriculture.

According to Senator Ike Ekweremadu, the Deputy Senate President, youths, should not miss out on meetings like this, where they will not only tap from the pool of knowledge available but also gain from networking opportunities which serves as a platform for harnessing their talents.

At the just concluded Solidarity meeting in Enugu by Youth for Ikeoha, a non-Governmental Organisation in support of the Deputy Senate President, he emphasised the need to invest in youth.

According to him, such investment will serve as a golden key that unlocks the

present predicament in the country today.

Nigeria is the most populous nation in Africa with a population of over 170million and among the top ten most populous nations in the world, with the youth contributing a great margin.

According to the National Baseline Youth Survey (2012), the population of youth in Nigeria is in the estimates of 64 million of which 51.6% are female and 48.4% are male while 5.9 million children are added to the population yearly.

Imagine what empowering 64 million youth could do to an economy, the effect will be massive and unprecedented!

Put simply, there are many geniuses and great minds

amongst our youth that go to waste for lack of opportunity and resources.

Recently, a University of Lagos graduate, Mr. Ayodele Daniel, had a cumulative GPA of 5.00 in the department of Psychology, the best in the country so far.

The likes of Mr. Ayodele abound and investing in these individuals will empower the youth to be leaders today and tomorrow and indirectly create highly cerebral experts that can push the economy to greater heights in the future.

It is common knowledge that Nigerians have some of the best brains in the world; unfortunately these brains are not well appreciated.



He said all leaders; himself inclusive should offer young people a vision for the future.

He then went on to provide tips that would be beneficial to youths who want to succeed in the present economic situation.

Firstly, while we all appreciate the need to tap into Agriculture, it is important that experts are recruited to train the teeming young population on the benefits of Agriculture using modern methods.

Abakaliki, Ebonyi State's capital for example arguably has one of the best soils for rice planting in Nigeria.

If well harnessed and youths empowered, the nation can become an exporter of rice.

Same for other farm produce, a wholesale/retail point mimicking the likes of Shoprite, where only locally made farm products are sold, would go a long way in keeping youths busy thereby increasing internally generated revenue.

A walk down memory lane would remind us that Agriculture was the boom of our economy before the Oil boom of the 1970s.

Furthermore, arts and craft as well as technology cannot be ignored.

Most youths are gifted with

their 'hands'. Some can be the best designers and artists in the world if there's a conducive environment to harness these potentials.

The city exported good products to most West African countries.

If youths are adequately empowered, the nation stands to benefit tremendously.

We have youths who are technologically savvy.

A forum can be formed where this group of talents will be funded and empowered to create something worthwhile that can be exported to other countries to grow the economy.

China did it and today its economic power is in leaps and bounds.

We can do it too, we have the number and the brains we just need the right environment and support to harness our potentials.

The Senator call on all elected officials to put a stop to neglect of the youth, address their problems and embrace them as an integral and important part of the society, so that their generation is not lost to crime, drugs, violence and other prevalent social ills is very timely.

Mr. Chuka Okeke, a member of the Youth for Ikeoha, wrote from Enugu, Enugu State.

[Vanguard]

✓ MALAWI: NGO HAPPY WITH YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Lilongwe, 1 June 2016 - THE Malawi Human Rights Youth Network (MHRYN) has said it is happy with the increased number of youths who are participating in the local government system.

MHRYN in collaboration with its affiliate, Thyolo Active Youth Organisation has helped in promoting positive working relationships and accountability between elected duty bearers, the youth and the council through a project called "youth participation and accountability in local government".

According to MHRYN National Coordinator Ronnie Phiri, the youth have now been incorporated as members in Area Development Committees (ADCs) and Village Development Committees

(VDGs) and are now able to participate in pre-budget consultation meetings and budget conferences to ensure that their needs are considered in the council budgets.

"When the project was starting, only one ADCs out of five had a youth representative but now the entire five target ADCs have youth representatives," he said.

The youth are now empowered to monitor the quality of service delivery and implementation of development projects in their respective local areas and raise concerns where the quality of services is unsatisfactory or where the quality of the project is poor.

The "youth participation and accountability in local

government" project is for 8 months and targets Thyolo Central Constituency Khonjeni and Nchima Wards, Thyolo Thava Constituency and Thava Wards and Thyolo North constituency Mikolongwe and Makungwa Wards. Founded in May 2001, MHRYN is an umbrella organisation of youth nongovernmental organisation whose interest is to promote human rights, democratic governance, youth and young women socio-economic and political empowerment and participation in the democratization process of the country.

[Malawi24]



✓ TANZANIA: LOCAL YOUTH RUFFLES FEATHERS IN FIGHT AGAINST POVERTY

Dodoma, 7 June 2016 - PRIME Minister Kassim Majaliwa on Friday commended Eva Tolage (16), for her courage to write to President Barak Obama last year demanding for accountability from world leaders including Tanzania on promises they make to citizens.

Eva, a young campaigner from Malinzanga, Tanzania and her classmates from Mlowa School, went to Dodoma to speak with high-level members of the Tanzanian government and presented their demands in person.

Other high level dignitaries who stood up in support of #StandWithEva Campaign are; The Minister for Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development, William Lukuvi, who is also the MP for Ismani constituency where Eva hails from, Minister of State in the Vice-President's Office, Union Affairs and Environment, January Makamba, Deputy Speaker of the Tanzania National Parliament, Tulia Ackson and the parliament as a whole.

The PM congratulated Eva for writing to the President of The United States of America, Barack Obama, last year requesting him and other world leader to honour promises they make to citizens.

The Stand with Eva Campaign which is now a global campaign is supported by Restless Development and one Campaign, where the two organizations have jointly committed to support Eva and her fellow youth from Mlowa Secondary School.

Eva and her community have been leading an effort to ask their government for clean water in their village since February.

With the support of her classmates, youth-led charity Restless Development and anti-poverty group the one Campaign, Eva's petition has been signed by 150,000 people from more than 80 countries around the world demonstrating a massive show of support.

Speaking ahead of an event where they will hand in the petition to the government, Eva said: "I'm so excited to

be a part of this campaign and looking forward to meeting members of parliament and other political figures."

Eva's schoolmates had written to the fourth phase government last year to ask for clean water and safe toilets at their school, but their request was met with silence.

Margaret Milwa, the Tanzania Country Director for Restless Development, said: "What started as a letter from Eva and her classmates has swelled into a campaign that has attracted global backing, and proves young people can and do change to their communities.

Eva's determination to take this petition to her National Parliament is inspiring other young people to show their power and hold their leaders to account now those leaders need to show they are listening," said Margaret Milwa, the Tanzania Country Director for Restless Development.

The One Campaign executive director, Mwambu Wanendeya, said

the Eva Campaign is a story with a profound message which speaks to people around the world who understand her desire to live in a world without poverty, adding that Eva has demonstrated that in a bid to fight poverty in our community, every voice counts, and that by adding your voice leaders are forced to take note and fiercely contribute to the fight to end poverty.

Last year, Eva wrote to US President Barack Obama, telling him that she and her classmates had big ambitions for their future, but without access to basic things like clean water, electricity and nutritious food, it was hard for them to stay in school and achieve them.

Obama endorsed her calls for action in a speech made at the UN General Assembly in September.

[Tanzania Daily News]

✓ ZIMBABWE: YOUTH 2 YOUTH CALLS OUT TO YOUNG PEOPLE

Harare, 6 June 2016 - YOUTH 2 Youth in Zimbabwe is calling for young people to participate in the environmental preservation work campus to be held in Victoria Falls, Khami Ruins and Great between June and July this year.

School and college going young people as well as the youths in general are being called to apply for Youth 2 Youth in Zimbabwe work

campus. The organisation is registered under Zimbabwe Youth Council and National Arts Council and organised the first UNESCO World Heritage Volunteer Campaign at the Heritage site.

The UNESCO approved Association is proposing to hold work camps in WHV Environment preservation of the Victoria Falls Rain Forest from June 3 to 24, 2016, WHV Restoring the

Archaeological Ruins from June 13 to July 6, 2016 and WHV Restoration of the Great Zimbabwe National Monument from June 9 to 28, 2016.

Their main objective is cleaning the environment and eradication of alien plant species which damage the environment.

United Nations Decade on Biodiversity (2011-2020), the World Heritage Volun-

teers 2016 campaign shall aim to raise awareness of local and international volunteers as well as the local communities about issues related to cultural and/or natural World Heritage, sustainable development and biodiversity.

[The Herald]



✓ BARBADOS: POLICY MUST ADDRESS YOUTH ISSUES

Bridgetown, 10 June 2016 - ANY Human Resource Development Policy that you create for Barbados must address the various socio-economic issues that the young people face, such as high unemployment figures.

This was the advice that the Minister of Labour, Social Security and Human Resource Development, Senator Dr. the Honourable, Esther Byer Suckoo, sent out to human resources practitioners drawn from various organizations across the public and private sector, who were gathered at the Radisson Aquatica yesterday for the Breakfast Meeting to discuss the Draft National Human Resource Development Policy for Barbados.

This is necessary because there is a level of frustration where the youth do not see themselves attaining the kinds of things that their parents attained, she said.

“They don’t think that they can ever achieve what they have come up to know, the kind of homes and cars and jobs that they see around them, that they see their parents have; they don’t think that they can achieve that and this is not just Barbados. CARICOM did a survey and other surveys have been done across the world.”

In addition, there is also the fear that they may not even live to see their late 20s and 30s because they see and hear stories of young people around them dying young, usually from foul play.

“And with that the societal disruption that I have just referred to we have young people who now experience a level of violence that we probably didn’t know when we were growing up and what is even more worrying, is that in that survey and in other surveys like it, people are saying that they don’t expect that

they would live to see 25 or live to see 29 or 35 and not because 29 and 35 seem old, because we know that when you are 17, 35 seems ancient, but they just don’t think that the ways things are going now, they would live to see that because they see so many other young people dying, usually violently at very early ages.

She continued: “So it is a sad state of affairs when our young people are saying to us that they don’t think that they can actually reach those kinds of numbers like 35, where we in Barbados pride ourselves as having the highest number of centenarians and every week we are celebrating a centenarian. This is what Barbados is about. But when our young people are saying, ‘no, I don’t think I can live to see 25 and if I do, I don’t know what quality of life I have’ and they used to say, ‘well, I probably would fare better if I left Barbados and went

oversees’ and now, they are seeing that across the world it is no different. So we really are seeing a level of despair that we have to do something about.”

She therefore urged the HR professionals to keep this in mind during their discussions.

“So as you deliberate and discuss what ought to be the main features of this new Human Resource Development Policy for Barbados, remember that our young people deserve to have expectations, they deserve to have dreams and we must create decent work and opportunities for prosperity among our youth before those expectations give way to hopelessness.”

[Barbados Advocate]

✓ CANADA: AIMS TO IMPROVE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISABLED YOUTH

New Brunswick, 7 June 2016 - ABILITY New Brunswick is looking to help more disabled youth in the province find permanent work after high school.

The organization has launched a program called “Transition NB,” aimed at helping youth in the province with mobility disabilities access post-secondary education and find employment after graduation.

“We know that the youth we work with are less likely to go on to post-secondary education, they are less likely to receive a high

school diploma compared to those without a disability, and less likely to go to university so we have a lot of work to do,” Ability NB representative Haley Flaro said.

Moncton’s James Brace is well beyond his high school years, but says he hasn’t been able to find permanent work since he lost the use of his legs in a truck accident 10 years ago.

“It’s harder to find work to kind of fit your needs and be able to do what you want to do without somebody looking down on you,

thinking the chair is the person,” Brace said. He says he has applied for countless jobs in small engine repair and heavy equipment operation, both of which he says he is perfectly trained for and physically able to do, but he has yet to find an employer willing to hire him.

“I believe my disability is really slowing me down trying to find a job.”

He hopes the new program will help bridge the gap between employers and people with disabilities, so young people don’t have the face the same struggles he is

still facing today.

Brace went back to school after his accident to study small engine repair, something Flaro says Ability NB is willing to work with to help him find a job in his field. An encouraging step for Brace, who says he’s just about ready to give up.

“You can only get beat up with the word ‘no’ so much and you just can’t take it anymore that is where I am at right now.”



New Brunswick has among the highest unemployment rates in the country for people with disabilities.

says about 50 per cent of people with disabilities in the province are unemployed.

province and the Community Foundations of Canada Youth Datalyst Fund, enabling them to 4 transition planners who will work with youth across the province as the program

kicks off in the coming weeks.

According to the latest statistics from 2008, Flaro

Flaro says Ability NB has received funding from the

[Globalnews.ca]

✓ DOMINICA: 192 NEWLY-SKILLED YOUTH JOIN LOCAL HUMAN RESOURCE

Roseau, 12 June 2016 - CLOSE to 200 young men and women graduated from several training modules on Wednesday, May 25th as part of the 43rd graduation ceremony of the Youth Skills Training Program.

The Skills Training Programme is facilitated by the Youth Development Division on behalf of the Youth Ministry.

At the ceremony, Youth Skills Training Instructor, Caesarina Paul, gave a status report on the tracer study conducted by the Division on the programme's impact.

"This event represents 34 years of social and economic empowerment of Dominica youth through this timely and efficiently-managed facility which has become a household name in Dominica.

"A glimpse of the Skills Training Programme 2014/2015 tracer study indicates that 174 graduates from all the youth

development districts have been afforded entry level skills which have positively impacted their socio-economic circumstances.

"In the western district, for example, 16.7%; in the east, 15%; in the north-east, 13.8%; in the south-east 1.2%; in the south, 12%; in the north, 8% and in the Roseau area, 33.3%," Paul reported.

The training modules completed were computer literacy, electrical wiring, plumbing, auto body repair, cosmetology, sewing and woodwork.

Representing the Hon. Prime Minister Dr Roosevelt Skerrit was Minister for Information, Telecommunications and Technology Hon. Kelder Darroux.

"Over the last several years, the Youth Development Division has displayed a high level of competence as it relates to developing the minds of our young people across the country.

"A skills training programme of any country is of utmost importance.

When people say that Government is not doing anything for young people, this afternoon is an indication of a serious investment of Government in the lives of the youth.

"Here we are seeing over 190 young men and women graduating with various skill sets.

They can then go back to their communities and make meaningful contributions to the development of their country."

Minister for Youth, Hon. Justina Charles, had this message to the graduates. She appealed, "I want to encourage you to please remain focused.

Do not to allow the things around you to distract you.

While they may look lucrative, there can be consequences that are far-reaching and can be lifelong.

I really want to encourage you to embrace the opportunity.

While you may not get employment now, do not be discouraged or impatient.

Work with the skills which you have received until eventually, you grow.

There are opportunities for all the skills [that you have learned].

"Find every opportunity to use the hands so you remember the skill; associate yourself with people who can help you to grow further as much as possible.

"We, as Government, will continue to invest in you.

We believe that you have what it takes to continue in the development thrust of this country so we will continue to invest but it is incumbent on you to make the best of it."

[GIS Dominica]

✓ JAMAICA: NEW EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH IN JAMAICA

Kingston, 6 June 2016 - APPROXIMATELY 10,000 unattached young people, aged 17 and 29, are expected to benefit from the \$1.6 billion (US\$9.3 million) New Employment Opportunities for Youth in Jamaica (NEO-Jamaica)

project. Its implementation aims to broaden training and employment opportunities for marginalized and vulnerable youth.

The project is being

spearheaded under the Youth Upliftment through Employment (YUTE) initiative of the Private Sector Organization of Jamaica (PSOJ), with inputs from several other partners.

These include the Ministries of Labour and Social Security, and Science, Energy and Technology.



NEO-Jamaica is being jointly financed by the Inter-American Development Bank's (IDB) Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF), and local stakeholder partners.

The project is slated to run from 2016 to 2018, during which the participants will receive vocational training, and job placement opportunities expected to be provided by approximately 100 partner companies that will also offer internships.

It will provide participants with the skills to fill in-demand occupations; build the capacity of key national youth training and service provider organizations; strengthen job placement entities; and align training programmes in educational institutions with labour market requirements.

NEO-Jamaica was launched

by Governor-General, His Excellency, and the Most Hon. Sir Patrick Allen, who is the programme's Patron, during a ceremony at King's House on June 3.

In welcoming the project, the Governor-General lauded the public-private sector collaboration facilitating it.

"This (is a) pioneering effort in which businesses, government and civil society join forces to provide resources, knowledge, and capacities in order to implement efficient and sustainable youth employment solutions," he said.

Education, Youth and Information Minister, Senator the Hon. Ruel Reid, also endorsed the initiative, noting that public-private sector partnership is essential in addressing youth unemployment.

In this regard, he gave an undertaking to "work with the private sector to refashion the Jamaican education system, because we have to recalibrate it to deal with the realities of the 21st century."

Meanwhile, YUTE Chairman, Joseph Matalon, highlighted a Statistical Institute of Jamaica's (STATIN) report which noted that youth unemployment stood at 30.3 per cent in October 2015.

"While the negative trajectory has been slowing over the past few years, youth unemployment is still more than double the national unemployment rate.

Finding solutions requires that youth be empowered and enabled to make use of their talents and spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship, to bring

about the changes we need," he said.

NEO-Jamaica is part of a regional youth empowerment initiative incorporating countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The NEO initiative, which was launched at the Sixth Summit of the Americas in Colombia 2012, aims to assist one million vulnerable youths across these regions by 2022.

Jamaica is the first English-speaking country and the 11th nation to join the programme.

Other local partners are: HEART Trust /NTA and the Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ).

[Government of Jamaica, Jamaica Information Service]

✓ TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO: NEWSDAY THROUGH YOUTH LENS

Port of Spain, 6 June 2016 - NEWSDAY will be peering through the lens of the nation's youth to guide the production of one of its daily editions in August.

The newspaper, through an initiative which has been endorsed by the Ministry of Education, has been inviting applicants for participation in the project since its launch last Monday.

The team will comprise roles that exist in the publication of a newspaper, from reporting to writing to photography, and including editing and prioritising of material.

The project, dubbed

Newsday's Youth Lens and Opinion Education Project (NYLO) is described by project co-ordinator Iana Seales as an education literacy partnership between Newsday and the Ministry of Education to engage students who are interested in writing and communicating effectively with others using traditional and new media.

Seales who is Human Resource Officer of Newsday says project participants are considered equal partners in the newspaper's pursuit to work with civic-minded members of the community and future news leaders.

"NYLO aligns with national

education goals by emphasizing youth leadership and encouraging students to take a lead role in the newsroom while promoting efficiency and high standards in local journalism" Seales said.

"Youth involvement in the project," Seales disclosed, "Will expand across Newsday's Editorial Department.

Students will write articles, take photographs, assist with editing, and provide input on the layout design of the newspaper."

Newsday welcomes applications from interested Six Form students across Trinidad and Tobago.

To successfully implement the project, the newspaper's editorial staff will provide pre-publication familiarisation and training during a series of sessions to guide the selected applicants.

The project is also in line with approaches by the World Association of Newspapers and News Publishers (WAN-IFRA) recognizing the important contribution of young people as partners in development.



The international body has pledged to assist newspapers and news publishers in identifying and training a new generation of media professionals.

“Newsday, as a news leader in Trinidad and Tobago,” says the company’s Acting Chief Executive Officer, Maria Cooper, “Has engaged young people through its annual internship program for a number of years.

However, the company recognizes that providing a greater role for young people in news gathering and production is essential for the growth and sustainability of local journalism.

” Newsday’s Editor in Chief, Jones P. Madeira, said the NYLO Education Project is grounded in the belief that newspapers are an important partner in education and will seek to attain elated objectives including providing a service to students, the education community, and the citizens of Trinidad and Tobago, as well as keeping students abreast of national issues and seeking to understand what issues they consider important.

The newspaper through its Promotions Manager, Simone Rocke, has launched a series of advertisements advising interested students and youth how to apply.

Rocke says these will continue for the next three weeks following which the youth editorial team will be selected and engaged.

[Trinidad News]

NEWS



✓ BAHRAIN: NEED TO TAP ON YOUTH'S MEDIA CREATIVITY STRESSED

Manama, 1 June 2016 - INFORMATION Minister Ali bin Mohammed Al Rumaihi lauded contribution of the Bahraini youth to the development process and upgrading the media work, describing them as the real assets of the nation and the generators of more achievements under the pioneering royal reform project.

He was speaking as he received today 50 outstanding youth competencies in the media field and in producing artistic works and short films.

He reviewed ways of availing of young national competencies and their innovative ideas to develop TV channels and their ways of tackling national issues

responsibly and professionally. He unveiled a plan by the Information Ministry to organise a competition to tap on the youth's media creativity and discover talents in the media field.

On their part, the youth participating in the meeting thanked the Information Minister for his keenness to communicate with them,

taking pride in his confidence in the young national competencies and their ability to take part effectively and creatively in developing TV programmes and producing more artistic works that reflect tolerance and unity of the Bahraini community.

[Bahrain News Agency]

✓ BANGLADESH: YOUTH IN CHANGE - CELEBRATING LIFE THEME FOR 2016

Dhaka, 10 June 2016 - THE campus at the University of Chittagong was graced by the presence of the band Chirkutt at the Celebrating Life exhibition which was held recently.

After its gala night, Celebrating Life tours around 12 universities nationwide, with University of Chittagong being the sixth.

It was the band's first performance on the university grounds and the energized students welcomed them wholeheartedly.

Previously, the concerts arranged by Celebrating Life were open-air, but due to the monsoon and its sudden showers, it was held indoors.

The auditorium at the Faculty of Social Sciences

has a capacity of 1000, but even before the arrival of Chirkutt, it was abuzz with around 3000 students, each trying to fit themselves in every angle possible.

The hype was in full swing and so were the air conditioners in the hall which failed to fight the over-packed humidity. Unfortunately, the lack of space had left a handful of professors disappointed, who wanted a share of the entertainment as well.

Chirkutt was the band of choice when it came to composing the tunes for the winning lyrics of 2015, which were released as an album featuring various artists.

One song in particular, composed and voiced by the band, was performed for the first time in public.

The song titled "Hajar Bochor Dhore" won the hearts of the audience and is one of the best songs in the nine years of Celebrating Life.

"Youth in Change" is the theme for Celebrating Life 2016, which was announced recently at a press conference and as the name suggests, the theme will be youth centric; their involvement and contribution in various fields like education, entrepreneurship, politics, films, music and social work will be emphasized through this competition.

It is intended so as to celebrate the change the future leaders will bring about to help in the advancement of our country.

Those willing to participate in the competition can do so

through the submission of films, photographs and/or lyrics, which has commenced from June and the deadline for which is August 31, 2016.

Please be informed that under no circumstances will the time limit be extended. Keeping the nationwide participants' convenience in mind, we are providing a dual platform- Platform A will focus on Celebrating Life's film, photography and lyrics as a national contest and Platform B will focus on Celebrating Life's contests which will be held at university campuses. Another positive aspect is that the same person can participate in both platforms, however, not with the same entry.

[The Daily Star]

✓ INDONESIA: YOUTH MANUAL OFFERS FUTURE PLANNING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Jakarta, 3 June 2016 - DECIDING what to do with your future after high school can be challenging, especially if you are not sure of your potential or still have no clue what your interests are.

Fortunately, in this digital era, inspiration can easily be found online, including for such matters.

Youth manual, for instance, is a platform aimed at senior

high school students and provides a guide to designing their future.

After registering on the website, users will be presented with a series of questions looking to reveal

insights on their personality, background, interests and style of study.



“In a nutshell, our mission is to empower Indonesian youth through education, to help them discover their potential and plan their future, so they can positively contribute to the improvement of Indonesia’s economy,” Youth manual founder Rizky Muhammad told The Jakarta Post during an email interview.

Rizky said the world’s economy was changing fast, moving from a traditional economy into a broader digital economy driven by the internet and connectivity.

A lot of tech-based companies are now on the rise, taking opportunities to answer unique social problems that are happening in this country.

These companies, such as Gojek, Qlue and Tokopedia, have radically transformed the workforce and human resources, which require a totally different mindset and competencies.

“Unfortunately, many young Indonesians are clueless about this new workforce and the opportunities.

There’s a huge gap in what they know and what is actually happening in the real world,” Rizky said.

With today’s fast changing world, he underlines the fact that a career can no longer be chosen by using conventional ways or wisdom.

To face the fast-changing world, Indonesia needs a generation that has certain characteristics.

Future generations should be confident in competing in a global labor market, forward thinking, and fast learners as there will be new opportunities that come up that need to be catered for.

They also need to be opportunists, able to identify new opportunities and not afraid to take or create new things and adaptive to change.

But it will not be possible to develop these characteristics if future generations choose the wrong career.

To avoid this, the younger generation needs to understand its strengths and

passions from an early stage, and this is what Rizky wants to achieve through Youth manual.

“We understand that planning for college and career is a difficult process that could have a profound impact on not only their lives, but also on society as a whole,” said Rizky.

Rizky puts the emphasis on individual self-discovery, where each person has a different career path and interests, so he and his in-house psychologist team have designed a module using Mark Savickas’ Life Design approach, which is more relevant in today’s world.

The module starts with self-discovery using Jung’s neurosis theory, continued by a series of tests that discover career interests using Holland’s theory of career choice.

Aside from the psychology and career-choice modules, Youth manual also offers a variety of information about universities and their programs, and continues to update the database on career choices and

informative content developed by its editorial team.

It also regularly hosts conferences, workshops and talk shows for students through the Youth manual Rise Up Series.

“We focus on career exploration to encourage students to understand various career options so they can continuously learn and improve their skills to always be relevant in these volatile work conditions.”

The platform’s assessment is available for free and can be accessed by everyone.

“We believe all Indonesian youth should have free access to accurate and comprehensive college- and career-readiness tools so they can make informed life decisions and plan for their future.

Our goal is to have as many students using our platform as possible,” said Rizky.

[Jakarta Post]

✓ KUWAIT: OOREDOO KUWAIT SPONSORS YOUTH PROGRAMME

Kuwait City, 10 June 2016 - OOREDOO Kuwait has announced its sponsorship of the sixth season of the Proteges, the youth development programme which will start by the beginning of July and continue for 6 weeks.

Yousef Al Shallow, Senior Manager of CSR, Sponsorship and Social media stated that Boredom is keen to support initiatives to boost youth development,

and emphasized the importance of the partnership with various state sectors to accomplish this target.

Al Shallal said sponsoring youth-related activities comes in line with corporate social responsibility strategy that is based on three key values: caring, connecting and challenging.

Eman Al-Rasheed, Executive Manager of the

Proteges said that this year’s programme will include a trip to Boston College in Massachusetts in the US.

This is in addition to the annual programme activities that aim to reinforce the social and personal skills of youth, develop their self-awareness, and improve their critical and creative thinking.

The programme includes workshops, projects, and

open discussion circles.

[Telecom paper subscription]



✓ PAKISTAN: OVER 50,000 UNEMPLOYED YOUTH TO BE TRAINED THIS YEAR: CHEEMA

Islamabad, 10 June 2016 - NATIONAL Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTTC) will train over 50,000 unemployed youth across the country in different technical trades by the end of 2016.

Talking to APP here on Thursday, Executive Director NAVTTC, Zulfiqar Ahmad Cheema said that all the courses were without charge, whereas stipends would be paid to the trainees.

He said the present government was fully focused to provide technical and vocational education along with the conventional education which would benefit the economy of the country in the long run.

Executive Director NAVTTC said that across the country skill competitions had been initiated to create the awareness among the youth but also helped them realize the importance of technical and vocational education.

Zulfiqar Ahmed suggested the industries and entrepreneurs of the country to encourage the youth to get training from NAVTTC institutions across the country.

He said pressure of unemployment could be reducing through the technical education.

[Pakistan Observer]

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✓ AZERBAIJAN: AZERBAIJAN TO STAGE FIRST-EVER YOUTH VISION

Baku, 4 June 2016 -

YOUNG singers from all over the world will have an opportunity to compete in the first-ever Youth vision, an international contest of young singers, in Baku this month.

“Always young” was chosen the motto of the contest, said Samaya Mammadova, a spokesperson for the Azerbaijani Youth and Sports Ministry.

The contest that is similar to Eurovision was organized upon the initiative of the Azerbaijan Student Youth Organizations Union.

The goal of the contest is to establish the conditions for revealing and realization of creative potential and for efficient organization of leisure of youth, support and development of international relations in the sphere of youth policy. In 2013, the Union, together with the Youth and Sports

Ministry held Univision the first international song contest among students of universities.

The organizers decided to change the format into Youth vision, which will bring together young people aged 14-35.

Participation in the Contest is open to performers (solo, duet, ensemble, group, bands).

Participation in the contest will be defined upon internal procedure of each country.

Countries may be represented by winners of various national music competitions.

Participants of the competition could demonstrate solo or group performances.

“72 representatives from 24 countries will come to Baku to participate in Youth vision,” Mammadova said.

Youth vision is designed to be held annually. For its first time, the contest will take place in Azerbaijan.

The contest will see newly written songs, however, worldwide popular compositions will also be sung. Each country will have its own judge.

The open voting of the Jury members is carried out at the final stage of the Contest.

The jury members vote on a scale from 1 to 12 points.

The contestant with a simple majority of the scores will be declared the winner, Mammadova said, adding that in case if the participants gain equal points, the jury draws lots between those participants.

Mammadova also revealed the award of the competition: “The total prize fund of the competition is \$6,000.

150,000 manats (\$100,000) are planned to be spent on the organization process.

They will include food, accommodation, tour costs, organization of the opening ceremony, pre-competition training of the participants and judges.

Several public and private companies could become the partners of Youth vision.”

The contestants taken the first, second and third places in the Contest win a prize in the amount of r respectively \$ 3,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 and are awarded by diplomas and valuable presents of the Ministry and the Azerbaijan Student Youth Organizations' Union.

[AzerNews]

✓ BELGIUM: YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT FALLS

Belgium, 7 June 2016 - THE number of young jobless in Brussels has reached its lowest level in 24 years.

This being said according to figures from the Brussels employment agency Actiris 26% of under 25s are Unemployed in the Belgian and Flemish capital.

By the end of December 11,065 under 25s were jobless and receiving full benefit in Brussels.

The figure is down 1,244 on the year.

The figure has now been

falling for 31 months in a row.

The 26.8% unemployment rate among under 25s contrasts with 28.2% in December 2014 and over 30% in December 2013.

Jobless totals in Brussels were down in all categories last December.

In Brussels the jobless total was down 6.7%, a fall of 100,718.

The jobless rate for Brussels as a whole stood at 18.3%. It's the lowest figure for fourteen years.

The employment agency is

worried about the increase in the number of job seekers reliant on local social services for a benefit as well as the rise in the number of refugee job seekers.

The number of jobseekers in these categories rose by 6.3% last year.

[Expatica Belgium]



✓ CROATIA: INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF CREATIVE YOUNG MINDS

Zagreb, 14 June 2016 - MORE than 1,000 international creative minds coming to Zagreb in May.

Leap Summit will gather more than 1,000 young people who are entrepreneurs, NGO leaders, students, leaders and opinion leaders in their respective communities.

Main themes of the Leap Summit will be connected to innovations, entrepreneurship, modern technologies, career development and success

stories. The Summit is under patronage of President of Republic of Croatia and is highly supported by University of Zagreb.

The Leap Summit international conference hopes to gather a lot of Croatian participants who live outside of Croatia, to exchange ideas and positive experiences, according to a press release on February 19, 2016.

We are honored to invite you to participate at the

Leap Summit - international conference for youth which will be held from 5th till 7th of May, 2016 in Zagreb, Croatia at the University of Zagreb.

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[Total Croatia News]

✓ SERBIA: YOUNG PEOPLE WELL EDUCATED, TALENTED AND HARDWORKING

Belgrade, 15 March 2016 – ICT HUB, a business incubator for technological entrepreneurship, was visited by representatives of 500 Startups, a global leader on the start-up scene, investment fund and accelerator, who said Serbia is a good place for investments.

During their three-day visit, the founders and representatives of the

investment fund held a number of workshops and mentoring sessions for local entrepreneurs at the premises of ICT Hub in the Science and Technology Park Zvezdara, Belgrade.

The topics were how to achieve initial interest in startup, how to position a product, achieve business growth, raise funds and start and develop business, reads a statement issued by ICT

Hub. 500 Startups representatives qualified Serbia as a good place for investments, adding that the country's youth is well-educated, hard-working and talented.

What Serbia lacks is a change of awareness of business and focus on private businesses, they said.

Partner at 500 Startups

Marvin Liao pointed out he had the opportunity to meet promising local entrepreneurs and interesting companies, and that his impression is that Serbia is rich in talents and has great potential in terms of technology.

[InSerbia News]

✓ SWEDEN: LIGHT ON THE HORIZON FOR SWEDEN'S UNEMPLOYED YOUTH

Stockholm, 12 May 2016 - YOUTH unemployment is falling in Sweden, according to figures released on Thursday.

But the jobless rate is still rising steadily among foreign-born citizens.

The number of young people registered as unemployed in Sweden has fallen to 61,000 from 70,000 last year, Sweden's job centre Arbetsförmedlingen noted as it released its monthly figures.

"We're seeing that the labour market continues to grow in a positive direction.

This is reflected by rising employment and declining unemployment, particularly among young people," said chief analyst Mats Wadman in a statement.

Here's a number-crunching interlude for readers who enjoy their statistics:

Overall unemployment fell to 7.5 percent in April (down by 0.2 percentage points in a year), while the

rate among young people aged 18-24 was down to 11.6 percent.

Young women in the same age bracket, of whom 9.2 percent were out of a job, performed the best, compared to their male peers at 13.8 percent.

But the situation for foreign-born citizens remains bleak.

In just one year the number of unemployed born outside of Europe has risen by 16,000 people, many of whom have been without a

job for a year or more, said Arbetsförmedlingen.

"It shows that society as a whole has to continue the work to help newcomers in Sweden get faster access to the job market.

The country also offers free Swedish for Immigrants classes for newcomers.

[The Local.se]



✓ AUSTRALIA: YOUTH CHALLENGE

Canberra, 7 June 2016 - IN Australia, Randstad has announced its first Youth@Work Expo, to be held in partnership with RMIT University on 10 June at Storey Hall Building 16, RMIT University Melbourne.

The Shaping Young Futures Youth@Work Expo is a free event aimed at helping youth, from 18-25 years to find work, get their foot in the door and launch their career.

On the day, young jobseekers will be able to hear from HR experts at some of the most well-known and biggest brands in Australia, including L'Oréal Australia, Seek, LinkedIn, Nestlé, Pernod Ricard Winemakers and Randstad.

With a wide range of exhibitors, workshops, networking opportunities and debates, the Youth@Work Expo will provide the first step towards shaping the future of Australia's young jobseekers.

Not only will there be plenty of advice, coaching opportunities, as well as free food and drink, exhibiting companies will also be offering internships, apprenticeships and volunteer work experience.

"We have specifically designed the Shaping Young Futures Youth@Work Expo to provide our young jobseekers with the best opportunities, advice, learning experiences and networking sessions to help launch their careers," said Frank Ribuo, CEO of Randstad Australia & NZ.

"We've pulled together some of the world's leading companies to help guide young jobseekers and provide them with the insight and helpful tips and tricks to get their foot in the door and find the right job."

The day will incorporate an Award Ceremony for the Shaping Young Futures Competition, where the winner will be publicly announced, receiving their

prize - around-the-world trip including, coaching, mentoring and a paid internship opportunity.

Australia is still struggling with a youth unemployment problem, as the youth unemployment rate (12.3 per cent) is still over double that of the national unemployment rate.

The government is looking to tackle the issue by launching its youth internship programme Youth jobs Path where those under the age of 25 who have been unemployed for over six months are able to participate in internships.

"Since June 2008, the number of young people in full time work has been in decline and hit an all-time low in November 2014.

The problem is, they cannot get a job because they don't have the experience. But they can't get the experience because they can't get a job. The fact the government has recognised this is a good thing, but more needs to be

done from a business perspective," says Ribuo.

Ribuo believes, with Australia's ageing workforce and a shortage of particular skills for instance, cyber security professions the country needs to ensure we make the most of young jobseekers' valuable skills and talent.

However, young jobseekers' lack of experience often means they go undiscovered by employers looking to fill full-time positions.

"It is only through educating our youth on how to brand and market themselves to employers, as well as educating employers on the benefits of providing experience to young people, will we see the gap close," he concludes.

[The Global Recruiter]

✓ FIJI: \$2500 GRANT FOR YOUTH GROUP

Suva, 1 June 2016 - THE work of youths at Natokowaqa in Lautoka to reduce crime has received recognition with the Vodafone Fiji ATH Foundation stepping in to assist with a \$2500 grant.

The youth group, headed by former inmate Josateki Labalaba, has been reaching out to unemployed youths in an effort to steer them away from crime.

One of the strategies to involve youths in

volunteerism has paid off with many already working and earning a living as a result.

Mr Labalaba said the gift by the foundation was used to purchase two brush-cutters that would be used by the youths.

"This is all in an effort to encourage a life without crime for young people in our area.

As you know Natokowaqa was known in the past for

its high crime rate, but we are working very hard to change that.

"Our next step is to try and get grass cutting contracts so that we can have a fixed income and maybe later on, invest in more brush-cutters."

Vodafone Fiji ATH Foundation executive Ambalika Devi said the gift was part of their social entrepreneurship program that had helped 33 youth and women's clubs.

"We had distributed a total of \$77,500 to all these clubs in the hope that they would create income," said Ms Devi.

The youth group at Natokowaqa are working towards reducing crime in their area, which supports the objective of our program and I hope that our help would contribute towards their efforts."

[Fiji Times]



✓ GUAM: YOUTH EMPOWERMENT TO ADDRESS SUBSTANCE MISUSE

Hagåtña, 12 June 2016 -

WHAT if the youth of our island are empowered to address some of the serious issues of substance misuse on our island?

What roles can young men and women play in identifying critical substance misuse concerns and designing approaches to address those concerns?

What can we expect from the work of coalitions of the youth of our island?

A large group of young men and women on Guam recently spent two days away from summer activities and from FestPac fun to participate in a conference on building coalitions to address substance misuse.

A large number of high school and college students and individuals from various sectors of the island community were part of the Gathering of Pacific Islanders for Prevention Education and Community Empowerment (GOPEACE) conference.

During the training sessions, terms like “root causes,” “availability of alcohol in social settings,” “community norms,” “access to marijuana,” and many other substance misuse concerns popped up.

More importantly, the young people contributed to articulating concerns that they and others on Guam and the entire United States have on their minds.

They were clear about their concerns. They were even clearer about their

commitment to take on substance misuse and make a difference on our island.

Working in groups of diverse representatives, the GOPEACE participants simulated the work of coalitions who identified specific substance misuse problems, looked at root causes of those problems and then suggested solutions to the problems.

They considered concerns like underage drinking, use of marijuana, the continuous presence of the drug “ice,” smokeless tobacco and even chewing betel nut.

They recognized some of the social, cultural, environmental and legal factors that enable young men and women to use and misuse substances before they are old enough to make their own decisions.

They listed family and community practices that send messages to young people that some of the use and misuse is less than problematic.

The GOPEACE conference may have been the first working session for some participants to learn about and understand systemic approaches to solving community problems.

They learned how to go beyond superficial examinations of situations so they could target the obvious and not-so-obvious cause of problems with substances by examining the beliefs and the norms of those who condone and even promote the misuse of harmful substances on our

island, especially among those too young to know better.

While the conference addressed serious issues and introduced serious and purposeful approaches to addressing the issues, there were many opportunities to smile, laugh and enjoy the company of others who had similar convictions.

Different personalities, a sense of humor among positive-thinking individuals and the sharing of experiences and feelings led to the development of relationships among representatives of various PEACE partners on Guam.

The development of the relationships was introduced as one of the first steps needed to develop and support the work of coalitions.

Those relationships will be critical in generating commitments to working on and within a coalition of organizations committed to dealing with substance misuse on Guam.

The energy at the conference was kept at a high level. The leaders of the various PEACE partner groups have an opportunity to take advantage to the new energy.

They need to put the new knowledge and skills to work to solve small-scale problems that may be addressed within an organization to community-wide issues that will require the concerted and purposeful work of a recognized and committed coalition of organizations.

Most GOPEACE conference participants walked out of the hotel ballroom with the desire and the commitment to make a difference by participating in the work of a coalition.

Knowing that the collective efforts will yield better and more long-lasting results, the conference participants make up the newest cadre of problem-solvers on Guam.

We should look forward to initiatives that will redirect community practices, suggest policy changes and support those who choose to remove substance misuse from their lives.

This needs to be a community-wide effort.

This new cadre of problem-solvers have some tools and are ready to contribute to the effort.

[The Guam Daily]



✓ NEW ZEALAND: 350 OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Wellington, 1 June 2016 - 350 OPPORTUNITIES for youth in civil defence and emergency services.

Youth Minister Nikki Kaye today announced funding totalling \$150,000 to support increased involvement of up to 350 young people in civil defence and emergency services in New Zealand.

Minister Kaye made the announcement at the two-day National Emergency Management Conference being held at Te Papa, Wellington.

"I am allocating \$50,000 to establish the Youth in Civil Defence Fund. I expect this to fund a diverse range of youth-led initiatives, from volunteering opportunities to public education and public preparedness campaigns," says Ms Kaye.

"Regional civil defence groups, in collaboration

with young people, will be invited to submit applications for funding, based on ideas they come up with on exciting and innovative ways to get young people involved in civil defence and emergency management.

"We need to think differently about how we engage young New Zealanders in this area, because we need young people to be better prepared and more resilient.

"This is an opportunity to come up with new ways on how we reach young people, and I look forward to seeing the ideas that come forward."

A panel of young people and representatives of the Ministry of Youth Development (MYD) and Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management (MCDEM) will consider applications to the Youth in Civil Defence Fund.

"Alongside this new fund, I am confirming further funding of \$100,000 to support the Youth In Emergency Services (YES) programme over the next 12 months.

"This is an exciting programme that opens the door for young people to volunteer for and potentially follow a career path with emergency services, such as fire, ambulance, Coastguard and search and rescue.

"Over the last three years I have funded 25 communities across New Zealand, from Kaikohe to Alexandra, to deliver the YES programme.

"The latest funding will support at least 10 more communities to deliver this programme in partnership with their local emergency services and youth volunteers.

"I have seen first-hand the

pride that young people gain by serving their community and acquiring valuable skills through the YES programme. At the same time, it can be a real boost for communities where it can be a struggle to find emergency services volunteers.

"The funding I've announced today will help build the knowledge and skills of our young people to contribute to both emergency preparedness and response in New Zealand.

This will pay dividends not only for the individuals involved but also our wider society."

[Scoop.co.nz]

✓ SOLOMON ISLAND: PM URGES YOUNG LEADERS TO ADDRESS CHALLENGES

Honiara, 15 June 2016 - PRIME Minister Voreqe Bainimarama says issues concerning youths demand the attention, input and ideas of young leaders who can take charge and address these modern challenges.

Speaking at the opening of the 1st International Youth Fellowship Fiji World Cultural Camp in Suva last night, Mr Bainimarama said youths would be given the opportunity to engage in discussions and seek solutions.

"The challenges and experiences of youths are not exclusive to only one

part of the world and while we may be separated by vast oceans, I think you'll all be pleased to learn how much in common you all have with other people your age from other countries," Mr Bainimarama said.

"Your voices can help shape policies and programs that will have a direct impact on your lives, and it is the responsibility of every government to make every effort it can, and seize every opportunity, to engage with you and hear what you have to say.

"No one can tell you what it is truly like to live in your

world, to be a youth in the year 2016, except for those who are experiencing it for themselves."

Mr Bainimarama said long-term solutions were needed to address drugs, alcohol, violence and issues such as rising sea levels, a pressing concern in the region.

"You exist in a world that is rapidly changing, and your success and happiness will be determined in no small part by your ability to adapt and change with it.

IYF founder Pastor Ock Soo Park said the

week-long camp was being attended by youths from Korea, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Kiribati and Tuvalu.

[Solomon Star]

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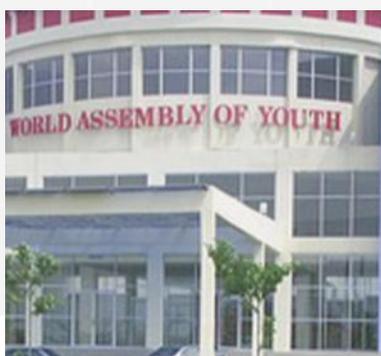
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