

International Youth Conference on Biodiversity, Yokohama 2024 : IYCB

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*International
Youth Conference
on Biodiversity*
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the City of Yokohama

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Conference Overview

- Name International Youth Conference on Biodiversity, Yokohama 2024 : IYCB
- Organiser Global Youth Biodiversity Network : GYBN
- Co-organizer Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD)
Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ)
Yokohama City
- Number of participants 126
- Countries 83
- Date August 25-31,2024(Sun.-Sat.)
- Venue Yokohama city
(Former Daiichi Bank Yokohama Branch Building、 Kamigo Mori-no-Ie,
PACIFICO Yokohama North)

Schedule

- 24 Aug, Sat, : Participants of the International Youth Conference on Biodiversity (hereinafter referred to as the "Youth Conference") arrive in Japan
- 25 Aug, Sun, : Opening Session (Former Daiichi Bank Yokohama Branch Building)
- 26 Aug, Mon, : Workshop (Kamigo Mori-no-Ie)
- 27 Aug, Tue, : Workshop (Kamigo Mori-no-Ie)
- 28 Aug, Wed, : Excursion (AEON MALL TAMADAIRANO MORI and various locations in Yokohama)
- 29 Aug, Thu, : Workshop (Kamigo Mori-no-Ie)
- 30 Aug, Fri, : Workshop (Kamigo Mori-no-Ie)
- 31 Aug, Sat, : Closing Session (PACIFICO Yokohama North)
Farewell Party (Former Daiichi Bank Yokohama Branch Building)
- 1 Sep, Sun, : Participants of Youth Conference leave Japan

Venue



Former Daiichi Bank Yokohama Branch Building
6-50-1 Honcho, Naka-ku, Yokohama



Kamigo Mori-no-Ie
1499-1 Kamigo-cho, Sakae-ku, Yokohama



PACIFICO Yokohama North
1-1-2 Minato Mirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama

Opening Session

- Date/Time: 25 Aug, Sun, / 13:00-15:00
- Venue: Former Daiichi Bank Yokohama Branch Building
- Participants: Participants of Youth Conference and related parties
- Overview:

GYBN led ice-breakers and workshops for the youth from all over the world.

These programmes were preceded by messages to the youth from the relevant stakeholders in their opening remarks.

Astrid Schomaker, Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity posed the question to the youth, 'What can adults do?' , to which the participants responded with lively opinions.



Opening greetings from Ms. Eshadi Mendis, GYBN



Greetings from Ms. Astrid Schomaker, Executive Secretary, SCBD



Greetings from Mr. Hirofumi Iida, Deputy Director-General, Minister's Secretariat, MOEJ



Greetings from Mr. Hiroki Sato, Deputy Mayor of Yokohama City



Introduction of Ms. Yuriko Yamamoto, Executive Director, AEON Environmental Foundation



Moderated by Ms. Risa Fukazawa, Yokohama City



Working Session ①

- Date: 26 Aug, Mon, / 27 Aug, Tue, / 29 Aug, Thu, / 30 Aug, Fri,
- Venue: Kamigo Mori-no Ie
- Participants: Participants of Youth Conference
- Overview:

The youth participants stayed at the Kamigo Mori-no-Ie and deepened their discussions on biodiversity. The programme was planned and organised by GYBN and included speeches by guest speakers and various workshops.

On Thursday, 29 August, Ambassador Anjela, Chargés d'affaires ad interim of the Embassy of the Republic of Colombia in Japan, visited Kamigo Mori-no-Ie as a representative of the COP16 host country and interacted with the youth. Various events, including cultural exchanges, were also held outside of the workshop hours.



Working Session ②



Excursion ①

- Date: 28 Aug, Wed,
- Venue: (A.M.) AEON MALL TAMADAIRANO MORI
(P.M.) Various locations in Yokohama
- Participants: Participants of Youth Conference
- Overview:

An excursion was held for participants on the middle day of the Youth Conference.

In the morning, with the cooperation of the AEON Environmental Foundation, participants visited AEON MALL TAMADAIRANO MORI (2-4-1 Tamadaira, Hino, Tokyo) to learn about the foundation's biodiversity initiatives. They also planted four commemorative trees on the AEON MALL premises.

In the afternoon, the participants were divided into four groups and visited various facilities, including sightseeing spots and training facilities in Yokohama to deepen their understanding of Yokohama's initiatives, Japanese culture, etc.



Excursion ②



Group A GREEN ROGAINIG



Group B AN EXCURSION TO SANKEIEN GARDEN



Group C DISASTERS and ECOSYSTEMS



Group D CUPNOODLES MUSEUM



Closing Session ①

- Date/Time: 31 Aug, Sat, / 13:30-16:30
- Venue: PACIFICO Yokohama North
- Participants: Participants of Youth Conference and related parties, visitor
- program:
 - 1 Opening remarks GYBN
 - 2 Greeting from the organizerMinistry of the Environmentt, Japan (MOEJ)
Kentaro Asahi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister of the Environment
 - 3 Greeting from the organizer Yokohama City
Takeharu Yamanaka, Mayor of the City of Yokohama
 - 4 Greeting from the organizer
Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (SCBD)
Chantal Robichaud
 - 5 Guest address AEON Environmental Foundation Hisako Renfro
 - 6 About GYBN and the IYCB GYBN
 - 7 Organizers Session Part I GYBN
 - 8 Coffee Break
 - 9 Organizer's Session Part II GYBN,Global Youth MIDORI Platform,
Yokohama Future Generations Platform
 - 10 WRAP UP GYBN
 - 11 Closing Remarks GYBN
 - 12 Group photo shoot

Column

Side Event ~ Yokohama Biodiversity Festival ~

Seizing the opportunity of the International Youth Conference on Biodiversity, the Yokohama Biodiversity Festival was held at a venue adjacent to the venue of the closing session, as a popular and educational event for learning about biodiversity in a fun way.



Closing Session ②



Greetings from Ms. Priska Daka , GYBN



Greetings from Mr. Asahi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for the Environment, MOEJ



Greetings from Mayor Yamanaka, the city of Yokohama



Greetings from Ms. Chantal Robichaud, SCBD



Greetings from Ms. Renfro Hisako, AEON Environmental Foundation



Greeter



Icebreaker by GYBN



Announcement of the results of IYCB by Mr. Alan Valdes of GYBN

Closing Session ③



Presentation by Ms. Tiza Zyambo



Presentation by Ms. Shiho Ito



Organizers Session Part I



Organizers Session Part II



WRAP UP by Mr. Kevin Lunzalu, GYBN



Closing remarks by Mr. Tyrell Gittens, GYBN



Coffee Break



MC : Ms. Tomoko Kurabayashi

Farewell Party

- Date/Time: 31 Aug, Sat, / 17:30-20:00
- Venue: Former Daiichi Bank Yokohama Branch Building
- Participants: Participants of Youth Conference and related parties
- Overview:

After all the programmes of the Youth Conference, a farewell party was organised by the host city, Yokohama City.

At the party, participants enjoyed a ninja show and food, as well as experiencing a Japanese festival by enjoying doll scooping and target shooting at a stall run by Yokohama City staff.





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List of participating countries

Algeria	Angola	Argentina	Australia
Azerbaijan	Bangladesh	Belize	Bhutan
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Brazil	Burkina Faso
Burundi	Cameroon	Canada	Chile
Colombia	Congo	Cook Islands	Costa Rica
Croatia	Cyprus	Czechia	Dominica
Dominican Republic	Ecuador	Egypt	El Salvador
Ethiopia	Fiji	Georgia	Germany
Ghana	Guinea-Bissau	India	Indonesia
Jamaica	Jordan	Kenya	Liberia
Madagascar	Malawi	Malaysia	Malta
Mexico	Mongolia	Morocco	Mozambique
Myanmar	New Zealand	Niger	Nigeria
Pakistan	Papua New Guinea	Paraguay	Peru
Philippines	Republic of Moldova	Russian Federation	Rwanda
Samoa	Sierra Leone	Singapore	Solomon Islands
South Africa	South Sudan	Sri Lanka	Sweden
Thailand	Timor-Leste	Togo	Trinidad and Tobago
Tunisia	Turkey	Ukraine	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America	Uzbekistan	Vanuatu	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Zambia	Zimbabwe	Japan	

