World’s Youth for Climate Justice

“Taking the world’s problem to the world’s highest court”
Amplify youth voices through Meaningful Participation in domestic and international policy and legislative processes that seek to address pressing environmental and human rights issues.

*Peace Palace, which houses the International Court of Justice in The Hague, Netherlands*
On March 29, 2023, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) achieved a landmark consensus by adopting a resolution to request an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on climate change.
Never before has the UNGA requested an ICJ advisory opinion through a resolution adopted by consensus.
“Those who have contributed the least are already experiencing climate hell… For some countries climate change is a death sentence, and indeed it is by the initiative of those countries, joined by so many others and by the efforts of young people from all across the world that brings us together today. And together you are making history.”
H.E. Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary General

“Climate Justice and intergenerational equity, need for urgent and ambitious action to counter existential threat of climate change, including limiting temperature rise to 1.5 degrees… This resolution was born from Pacific youth who called upon our leaders to use international law as a tool to further highlight the need to take action. I would also like to recognize the World’s Youth for Climate Justice for their passion and for bringing this important issue to their own countries.”
H.E. Jeem Lippwe, Permanent Representative of Federated States of Micronesia to the UN
UNGA highlights

WYCJ, PISFCC and Hon. Ralph Regenvanu, Vanuatu’s Minister of Climate Change Adaptation
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THE END
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Building a global campaign – Asia, Latin America, Europe, Africa, Caribbean, the Pacific
Pillar 2: National Campaigns

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Our Friends of the Initiative

Notable supporters including Christiana Figueres former UNFCCC Executive Secretary, Dr. David Boyd Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment amongst others who lend their name and credibility to the initiative.

Institutional supporters amplify our campaign including through social media and by co-organizing events.

Friends of the Initiative

Empowered by the global support of the #OurFutureOurRights Campaign, we are compiling an international list of endorsing organizations and prominent individuals for their support.

Sign up as a Friend of the Initiative

Mary Robinson

Mary Robinson is the Chair of The Elders, former President of Ireland and the former UN High Commissioner on Human Rights

“I absolutely support an ICJ Advisory Opinion and I hope it will raise awareness on climate justice.”

“I would invite those who are involved in the AO to take a very broad view of the injustices that need a climate justice approach.”
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On May 29-30, the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR), in partnership with the Asia Pacific Forum (APF), organized a Regional Consultation on Business and Human Rights, Environment, and Climate Change in ASEAN.

WYCIJ’s Asian front was invited to participate in this series of regional consultations.
Academic Conversation

Pillar 4: Research writing and legal advocacy

WYCJ Flagship Legal Report

Climate Law and Governance Day at COP26

Cambridge International Law Journal

WYCJ Symposium: International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion, Climate Justice & Youth Human Rights
Coalition Building with Stubborn Optimists around the world

Pillar 5: International advocacy

Youth Reception at COP26 in Glasgow

Youth Reception at COP27 in Sharm El-Sheikh
Climate justice at the heart of our message

Pillar 6: Telling stories of impact

Pacific leaders join voyage for ICJ Advisory Opinion!
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