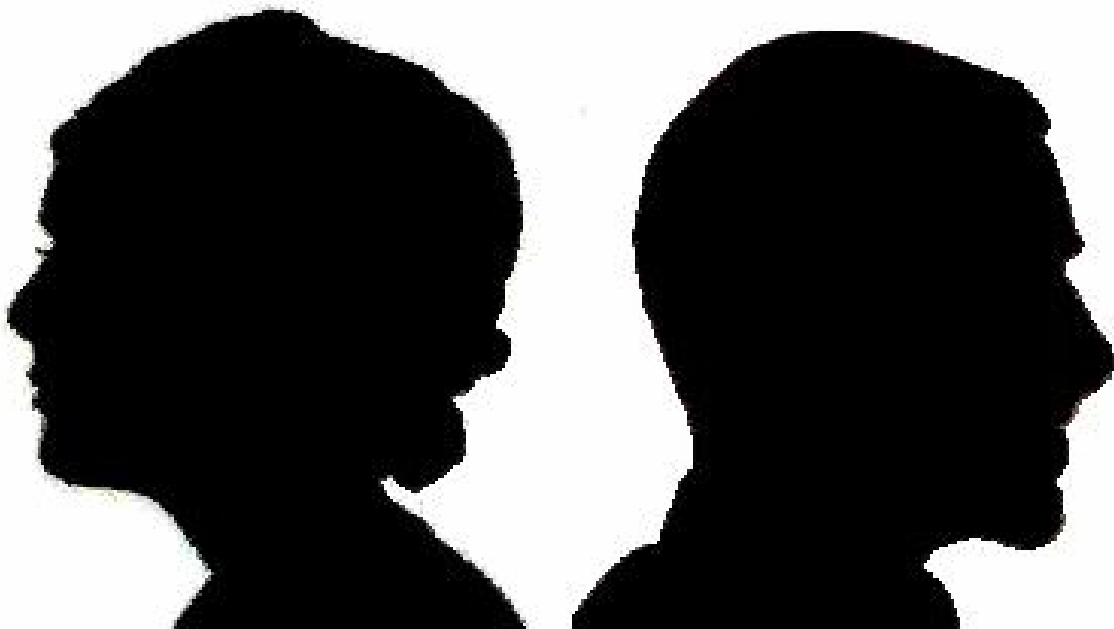


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## **YOUTH DELEGATES**



# **REWARD**

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**YOUTH CAUCUS**

# What is a Youth Delegate?

A Youth Delegate is a person aged under 30 who is an accredited part of the official national delegation to the United Nations.

## What does a Youth Delegate to the United Nations do?

The Youth Delegate attends the General Assembly (September / October) and other significant meetings together with the national delegation. Within the General Assembly, the youth delegate participates in the *Third Committee*, which is where the topics with most relevance to youth are discussed.

The Youth Delegate represents *national youth interests* and are under the guidance of the national delegation. S/he also represents the views of young people within this delegation.

The length of time that a Youth Delegate spends at the United Nations is up to the government. The most common range of time is 2 to 4 weeks.

## How does a Government benefit from having a Youth Delegate?

A government's *legitimacy* to represent young people's views on an international level are strengthened. The national delegation can benefit greatly from the Youth Delegate's *innovative* and unique perspective.

The program of activities Youth Delegates embark on is beneficial to large numbers of young people back home; for instance touring schools and talking about the United Nations, human rights and youth *empowerment*. Therefore, the Youth Delegate can inspire other young people to take an active role in their societies.

## This year the following countries *HAVE GOT* Youth Delegates

Australia	The Netherlands
Denmark	Norway
Finland	Romania <b>NEW</b>
Germany	Sweden
Ghana	Switzerland
Malta <b>NEW</b>	Tanzania
Mexico	



*If your country is a HAVE NOT find out how YOU can introduce a Youth Delegate! Contact Julie Larsen at the United Nations Programme on Youth!*  
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