

International Youth Representatives 2025 - 2028 Cohort Election

Recruitment Pack

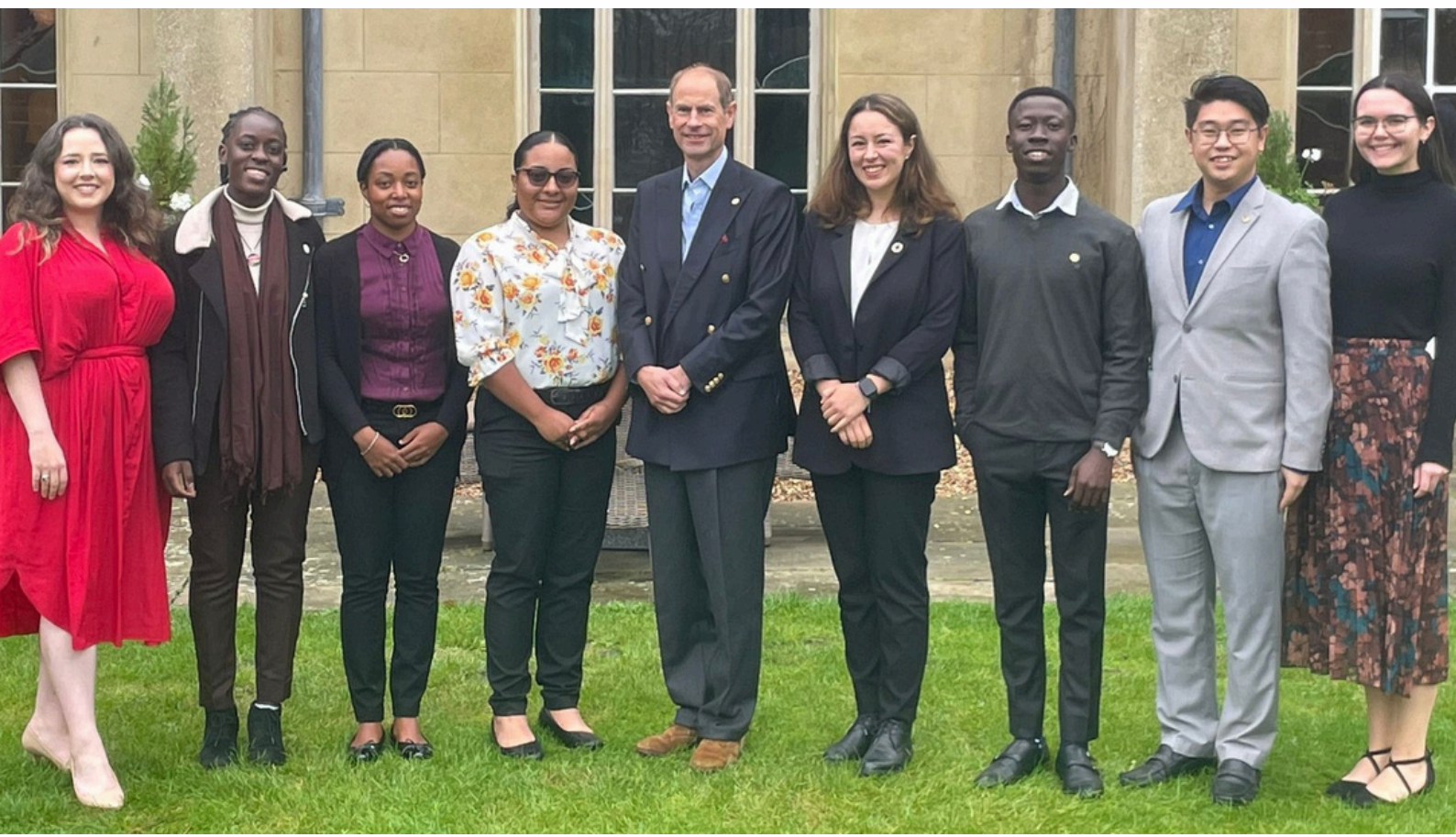


For the Award to be relevant to young people, it is crucial that their voice is at the heart of what we do. Regardless of background, culture or ability, we believe it is essential to give young people across all regions a platform to ensure the Award is accessible and relevant for all young people, wherever they are in the world.

- Are you passionate about the Award?
- Do you want to represent the needs of Award participants from your region at an international level?
- Do you want to discover how the Award can continue to impact lives after it has been completed?
- Do you want to advocate for ensuring all young people can access the benefits of the Award?
- Do you want a platform to speak up on the issues that impact you and other young people in your region?

**If you have answered YES
to these questions,
then we would love to hear
from you!**

**Our International Youth
Representatives (IYRs), a group of
eight Award Alumni from around the
world, help to connect Award holders
and participants locally, regionally
and globally. They represent the
youth voice at International Council
meetings and play a significant role
at governance level.**



“I wanted to be able to advocate for young people at the highest levels of the Award and at the International Council. The opportunity to raise my voice, but also to be an advocate for so many other young people is the reason that I put my hand up to take a seat at the table. It's a governance role, being able to connect with the International Council, sitting on the International Council as a member and being able to advocate for young people who are doing the award or have done the award.”

Emily Milton Smith
International Youth Representative
Asia-Pacific Region



SUMMARY OF THE ROLE

International Youth Representatives (IYRs) represent the Award participants, and alumni, for their region, on the International Council (IC). There are two International Youth Representatives per region, volunteering between November 2025 – November 2028.

During their term of appointment International Youth Representatives may attend meetings locally, regionally and internationally, and facilitate sessions at the Foundation's regional conferences.

As an International Youth Representative, you will report to the Foundation on discussions, projects and feedback from operators. As such, the role requires the ability to take on responsibility for engaging widely. You will provide both the Foundation and the IC with key insights that help ensure our collective work is inclusive, and to help grow the Award so it is available to as many young people as possible, particularly those who are considered at-risk and marginalised.



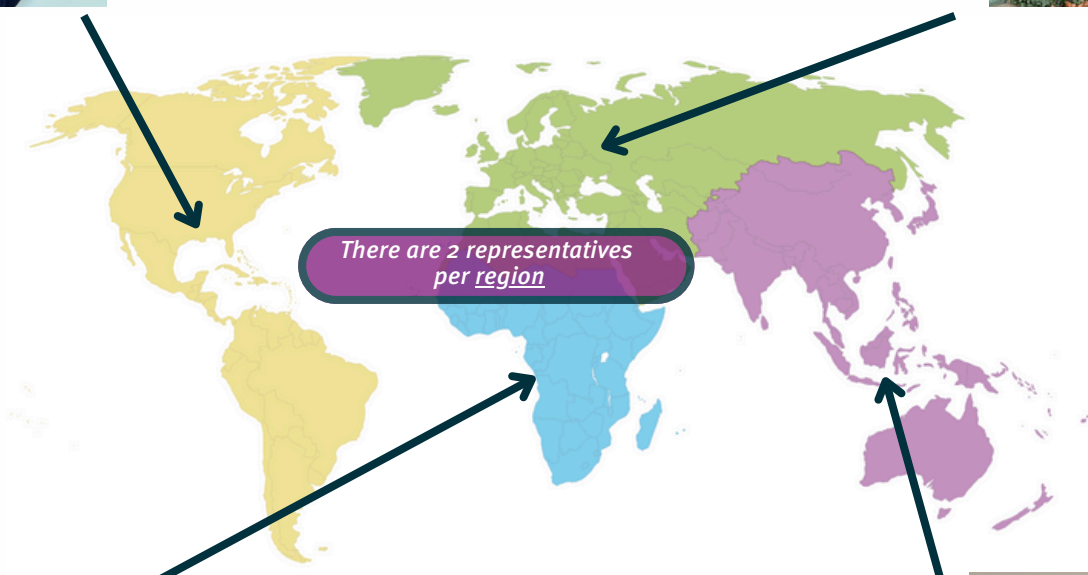
"I applied for this role because I wanted to be able to kind of see how governance works and how proposals are made, how youth advocacy can be used within each region."

Brianna



"Actively participating in this role allowed me to develop my skills in terms of decision making, leadership and then creating a resolution out of it."

Aybüke



"Being given the chance to talk about what it is like being a young person is the greatest achievement for me."

Peniel



"One of the biggest benefits is you not only getting to make friends within your country, but you also you get to know new friends within your region and also all around the world."

Potter

- Aged between 18 – 28 at point of application (oldest age would be 31 by the time they finish their tenure if they apply at 28 years of age)
- Achieved Gold level of the Award or currently doing Gold level and completed 70% of it*
- Passionate about the Award and its impact, eager to share your experience with others
- Open to sharing your views and interested in discussing key issues that affect your generation
- Some operational knowledge of how the Award is delivered in your country and able to demonstrate cultural intelligence
- Be a member of the Global Award Alumni Network on LinkedIn
- Have sufficient time to fully commit to the role requirements (approximately 4 hours per month over a three-year period, with occasional in-person events)
- Willing and able to travel internationally, holding a valid passport, and committing to hold a valid passport for the duration of the appointment
- Capable of communicating verbally and in written English, and have reliable internet access

**A minimum of 70% completion progress, along with holding a Bronze and/or Silver Award, is required for eligibility to submit a self-nomination.*

Skills and Abilities

- Proactive, confident and can-do approach
- Able to demonstrate leadership and decision-making skills
- Able to organise and plan effectively
- Ability to communicate and network effectively
- Ability to work with a diverse range of stakeholders
- Ability to work collaboratively and as a team member
- Ability to work alone on own initiative
- Ability to seek information, opinions and feedback from other young people and report these





european youth forum

"I applied for the International Youth Representative role because it gave me the incredible opportunity to represent participants from all over EMAS region and bring their ideas to International Council. Along the way I connected with amazing people from across the globe and gained experience"

Eliska Krizova
International Youth Representative
EMAS Region

FEBRUARY 2025

Self-nomination starts on 1 February

Self-nomination ends on 28 February

APRIL 2025

Final 5 candidates per region to be announced on in early April

Online election campaign to take place until the 10th April

Voting for candidates will be conducted by 5 Award holders from each country between 10 and 20 April.

MAY 2025

Official announcement of the elected 2025 - 2028 International Youth Representatives cohort

SELF-NOMINATION FORM

<https://forms.office.com/e/oHGe7eGvqV>

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
Please visit

<https://intaward.org/international-youth-representatives/>



KEY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

2025

June & July & August

Welcome, handover and trainings (online)

September & October

International Gold Event, Forum and International Council pre-work (online)

November

International Gold Event and Forum
15 - 22 November
Lagos, Nigeria

2026 & 2027

Every three months

Quarterly calls (online)

November

International Council (in-person)

"What I would say to someone considering applying is that be that person who is open to include different aspects of the youth, persons who are troubled, persons who are disabled, be that voice create the awareness to ensure or give these persons opportunities to experience such a life changing moment."

Chauntae, IYR Americas Region



"As being an IYR, this world has opened me up to new species, has given me a diverse view of the world in terms of leadership, in terms of cultures, in terms of relationships and it has allowed me to be to be more accept, like, acceptable, flexible and inclusive in my dealings and in my relations."

Rose Poka, IYR Africa Region



"My biggest takeaway of being an IYR is to work with a diverse group of young people all coming around the world."

Aybuke Caliskan, IYR EMAS Region





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