

SCHOOLS PARTNERS

Rationale:

For the first time, WYC-4 will have a special category for young teachers active in the field of Education for Sustainability, Global or Development Education. We need our Congress series to reach into the educational systems of all countries to prepare young people for the development/sustainability challenges that lie ahead in their lifetimes. The World Youth Congress is a superb arena for such educators to meet, compare notes and compile their different approaches into a compendium of good practices which will, at the very least, be published on the Congress Website with links to related educational sites around the world.

What are Schools Partners (SPs):

Any teacher association or union that link the teachers and educators of a country or of a region. They can also be primary or secondary schools who are concerned with international and development issues. We are searching for groups that can relay the information about the Congress to interested, energetic and idealistic young teachers and educators and that can support such teachers to apply and to come to the Congress.

What PCI can offer to the SPs:

- **Recognition:** PCI will link each SP with this major international youth event by putting the institution's Name and logo on the websites (with links), in the Congress Book, and on the larger promotional materials prepared for the congress;
- **Proposing delegates:** In the selection of the delegates for the Congress, PCI will give special attention to the young teacher applicants (active young teachers who are doing education projects related to development issues) who present a letter of recommendation from a SP;
- **Exhibition:** PCI will consider any exhibition materials proposed by SPs that describe innovative teaching of global issues. In the Congress Exhibition, the SPs will be acknowledged next to any projects they have led or funded;
- **Workshops:** PCI will invite SPs to propose skills workshop(s) about your experience in teaching global issues – in particular sustainability and development topics - at the Congress;
- **Participation in Shaping the Congress Series:** The SPs are welcome to become a part of the international family that is shaping the content and development of the Congress series around the world. They will be kept updated with information about the development of the Congress Series and be invited to participate in international planning meetings.

What PCI expects from SPs:

- **To Promote the Congress:** We expect each SPs to promote the goals of the Congress within their network with meetings, seminars, debates that focus on YLD and the central Congress question about the most effective ways that young people can contribute to the goal of making poverty history.
- **To Endorse:** a letter welcoming the initiative of the World Youth Congress and its goals.

- **To secure applications from innovative young teachers** concerned by development or environment issues: This is a new sector at the Quebec City Congress and we look to SPs to locate and encourage good young teachers in this field to apply as delegates to come to the Congress.
- **To fund and/or facilitate Educational Projects:** the best thing a SP can do is to fund one or more Youth-led educational projects realised by one of their members and to sponsor the travel of their members who will be invited to the Quebec City Congress.
- **To Follow-up the WYC-4 with a continuum of activity:** the great strength of the WYC Series is that as soon as one ends, we start preparing for the next: so we look to our SP to keep the YLD flag high on their community's radar - so that the activity continues, with debates, sponsored action projects, overseas visits, web-chats etc.