



WAY IV- WORLD YOUTH AWARDS

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HEJA GAME LODGE, WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA

ABOUT WAY

The World Assembly of Youth (WAY) is the international coordinating body of national youth councils and organisations. The full members of WAY are national youth councils. WAY has 94 member organisations from all continents.

Founded in 1949, WAY has consultative with various agencies in the United Nations System, including UNFPA, UNAIDS, UNEP, UNESCO, WHO and UNCTAD. It acts as a bridge between the youth and the UN.

WAY recognises the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as the basis of its action and services. WAY works for the promotion of youth and youth organizations in programme areas such as: democracy, environment, human rights, population, health, drugs, community development and leadership training.

As enshrined in its Charter, the World Assembly of Youth seeks to:

- Increase inter-ethnic respect and to foster inter-cultural and international understanding and cooperation.
- Facilitate the collection of information about the needs and problems of youth.
- Disseminate information about the methods, techniques and activities of youth organisations.
- Promote the interchange of ideas between youth of all countries.
- Assist in the development of youth activities and to promote, by mutual aid, the extension of the work of voluntary youth organizations.
- Cooperate in the development of national youth councils of voluntary youth organizations.
- Promote the democratic participation of young people both in their own organisations and in the society as a whole.
- Establish and maintain relations with the international organisations, both voluntary and governmental.
- Support and encourage the national movements of non-self governing countries in their struggle for national liberation.
- Promote tolerance, understanding, solidarity and cooperation among young men and women irrespective of race, sex, language, religion or political orientation.
- Encourage the full participation of young men and women in the development process of their countries.
- Improve the equality between young men and women.
- Act as a representative body of national youth councils to the UN and other appropriate governmental and non-governmental international bodies.

INTRODUCTION

The World Assembly of Youth (WAY) on its 40th anniversary instituted the World Youth Award to encourage national youth councils to become central agents in nation building and to commit themselves to addressing social and economic development of young people in their countries. The World Youth Award honours outstanding national youth movements and illustrates the examples and models that they set for the world.

The then Prime Minister of Malaysia, Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, became the sponsor and patron of the award and supported all the past three ceremonies. The current Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Datuk Seri Hj. Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, has assumed patronage of the awards.

The World Youth Award is awarded to the youth organisation at the national level that has made excellent, noteworthy and effective contributions in national youth development. The Award is also presented to outstanding individuals who have contributed to the advancement of the cause of young people, and inspire them.

The objectives of the World Youth Award are:

1. To evaluate the success of national youth movements in promoting social and economic development;
2. To provide incentives to youth organisations to work harder in achieving greater success in their youth development agendas;
3. To inculcate the spirit of self-reliance amongst national youth movements;
4. To encourage youth movements to play major roles in highlighting challenges of youths and in attempting to solve as many of them as possible; and
5. To accelerate the involvement of youth in nation building.
6. To honour outstanding individuals who are exemplary and inspirational to young people worldwide.

The award is open to all national youth councils. The panel of judges considers the following criteria for the evaluation of each participating organisation:

- Leadership Effectiveness
- Organisational Structures
- Management Systems
- Utilisation of resources
- Quality of Membership
- Effectiveness and impact of programmes

The Fourth WAY - World Youth Awards Ceremony and Gala Dinner was held at Heja Game Lodge, 42 kilometres south of Windhoek. Surrounded by wildlife and a beautiful, rustic African scenery, participants dined in a lakeside restaurant.

The panel of judges for the World Youth Awards was composed of:

- Hon. Roger Boynes, Minister of Youth and Sports Affairs, Trinidad and Tobago
- Hon. George Chilunmanda, Deputy Minister of Youth and Child Development, Zambia
- Rt. Hon. Datuk Seri Hj. Mohd Ali bin Mohd Rustam, WAY President

The winners were:

Winner - National Youth Council of the Gambia

1st Runner Up - All-Mauritius Youth Council

2nd Runner Up - Croatian National Youth Council

The Hon. Roger Boynes announced the results and made the following recommendations on behalf of the panel of judges:

- National youth councils should write more detailed project documents that can convince the judges of the merits of its activities
- Physical, documentary and pictorial evidence is essential to prove that written detail is true and accurate
- Entry forms should be completed in full and provide all required information

During this round of awards, a special award for individuals was introduced. The winner was His Excellency Dr. Sam Nujoma, President of Namibia, who was conferred the **World Youth Award for Exemplary Leadership in the Struggle for Total Emancipation of the African People**. This was presented to Dr. Nujoma by WAY President, Datuk Seri Mohd Ali bin Mohd Rustam, during the Opening Ceremony of the General Assembly.

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XIV WAY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

AFRICA

	COUNTRY	NAME OF ORGANIZATION
1	Algeria	Superior Youth Council of Algeria
2	Benin	Benin Association For Development
3	Botswana	Botswana National Youth Council
4	Burkina Faso	Youth Solidarity
5	Cameroon	Popular Development Centre
6	Comoros	National Union of Youth of Comoros
7	Congo	Forum for Youth Workers for Development
8	Congo, D.R.	Congolese Youth Association for Development
9	Cote D'Ivoire	Cote D'Ivoire Fed. for Movements and Assns of Youth and Children
10	Ethiopia	Ethiopian Youth Bureau
11	Gambia	National Youth Council of Gambia
12	Ghana	National Youth Council of Ghana
13	Guinea Bissau	Guinea Bissau Institute of Youth
14	Kenya	Kenya Association of Youth Organisations
15	Lesotho	Lesotho Youth Federation
16	Libya	WAY National Committee
17	Madagascar	Reseau Oeeumenique Madagascar de la Jeunesse et des Estudiants
18	Mauritius	All Mauritius Youth Council
19	Morocco	Youth of Morocco
20	Mozambique	Organization of Mozambican Youth
21	Namibia	National Youth Council of Namibia
22	Nigeria	National Youth Council of Nigeria
23	Senegal	National Youth Council of Senegal
24	Seychelles	SPPF Youth League
25	Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone Federation of Youth Organisations
26	South Africa	South African Youth Council
27	Sudan	WAY National Committee
28	Swaziland	Swaziland National Youth Council
29	Tanzania	Youth Council of Tanzania
30	Tunisia	National Union of Youth Organizations
31	Uganda	Uganda Youth Council
32	Western Sahara	Youth Union of Sagguia el Hamra and Rio de Oro
33	Zambia	National Youth Development Council of Zambia
34	Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe Youth Council

ASIA

	COUNTRY	NAME OF ORGANIZATION
1	Bhutan	Bhutan Youth Development Association
2	Brunei	Brunei Youth Council
3	India	Indian Committee of Youth Organisations
4	Indonesia	Indonesian National Youth Council
5	Iraq	General Federation of Iraqi Youth
6	Jordan	The National Union of Jordanian Youth
7	Korea	National Council of Youth Organisations in Korea
8	Malaysia	Malaysian Youth Council
9	Mongolia	Mongolian Youth Federation
10	Nepal	Social Youth Council of Nepal
11	Pakistan	All Pakistan Youth Federation
12	Philippines	Presidential Council for Youth Affairs
13	Sri Lanka	National Youth Services Council of Sri Lanka
14	Thailand	Thailand National Council of Youth and Child Development
15	Turkey	Youth Activities Service
16	Vietnam	Vietnam Youth Federation

CARIBBEAN

	COUNTRY	NAME OF ORGANIZATION
1	Anguilla	Anguilla National Youth Council
2	Barbados	Barbados Youth Council
3	Belize	Belize National Youth Council
4	Guyana	Georgetown Youth Leaders Council
5	Jamaica	Jamaica National Youth Council
6	Monserrat	Monserrat National Youth Council
7	Puerto Rico	Youth Organisation Council of Puerto Rico
8	Sao Tome & Principe	National Alliance of YMCAs
9	St. Kitts	St. Kitts Youth Council
10	Suriname	Suriname National Youth Assembly
11	Trinidad & Tobago	Trinidad Youth Council, Tobago Youth Council

EUROPE

	COUNTRY	NAME OF ORGANIZATION
1	Albania	Albania Youth Federation
2	Croatia	Croatian National Youth Council
3	Czech Republic	National Youth Council of Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia
4	Germany	German National Committee For International Youth Work
5	Greece	National Council of Hellenic Youth Organisations

6	Iceland	National Youth Council of Iceland
7	Ireland	National Youth Council of Ireland
8	Luxembourg	National Youth Council of Luxembourg
9	Macedonia	Youth Council of Macedonia
10	Norway	Norwegian Youth Council
11	Poland	Polish Youth Council
12	Russia	National Council of Youth Organisations of Russia
13	Slovakia	Youth Council of Slovakia
14	Slovenia	National Youth Council of Slovenia

LATIN AMERICA

	COUNTRY	NAME OF ORGANIZATION
1	Bolivia	National Council of Bolivian Youth
2	Brazil	WAY National Committee
3	Chile	National Youth Council of Chile
4	Colombia	National Youth Committee of Colombia
5	El Salvador	National Youth Council of El Salvador
6	Ecuador	International Youth House of Ecuador
7	Mexico	Mexico Youth Institute
8	Nicaragua	National Youth Council of Nicaragua
9	Peru	National Council of the Peruvian Youth (NCPY)
10	Guatemala	Guatemala Youth Committee

PACIFIC

	COUNTRY	NAME OF ORGANIZATION
1	Australia	Australian Youth Policy and Action Coalition
2	Cook Islands	Cook Islands National Youth Council
3	Fiji	Fiji National Youth Council
4	Papua New Guinea	National Youth Service
5	Solomon Islands	Solomon Islands National Youth Congress
6	Tonga	Tongan National Youth Congress
7	Vanuatu	National Youth Council
8	Western Samoa	Western Samoa National Youth Council