# **EXPERT GROUP MEETING**

## YOUTH IN INCLUSIVE SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

## **PROGRAMME**

#### **CONTEXT**

Young women and men are paving the way for their inclusion in many dimensions. They are requesting a seat at the table, when critical matters of peace, security and development are being discussed. They are, unsurprisingly, in the spotlight of climate politics and clean energy transition. The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) is the specialized agency of the United Nations delivering Inclusive and Sustainable Development (ISID). UNIDO is committed to empowering youth who are in fact, drivers of progress by innovations and sustainable transitions.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Following successful collaboration with youth organizations during the Vienna Energy Forum (VEF) Virtual Series and YouthforVEF, UNIDO aims to analyze and record lessons learned and best practices for the future youth engagement in its projects and events by developing a Guidebook for Youth Engagement.

The Youth Advisory Group (YAG) consists of youth volunteers, who offer their unique and diverse perspectives and skills. They are creating a document that will help UNIDO staff and its stakeholders take action providing practical advice and tips on how to meaningfully incorporate youth perspective in their work.

This Expert Group Meeting is organised to test YAG's theories and suggestions through open and creative discussion with the experts.

Three breakout rooms will explore the themes of:

- data landscape and its importance for youth responsive policies and projects
- role of young women and men in the design, implementation and evaluation in the technical cooperation projects
- meaningful youth engagement in international events

#### **AGENDA**

## 15:00 WELCOMING REMARKS

Youth MC Melissa Tomassini, YAG Member

## 15:10 ENERGIZING SPEECH

Ms. Claudia Plakolm, State Secretary for Youth and Future Generations, Austria (TBC)

## 15:20 BREAK OUT ROOMS

## **Youth in Numbers**

- Mr. Fabio Friscia, UNICEF
- Ms. Susana Puerto, ILO
- Youth representative (nomination pending)
- Moderated by Ms. Emilie Schretlen, YAG Member

## **Youth in Technical Cooperation Projects**

- Ms. Virpi Stucki, UNIDO
- Ms. Marzia Pafumi, FAO
- · Ms. Asma Rouabhia
- Ms. Hiromi Amano (TBC), UNDP
- Moderated by Mr. Ramy Yacoub, YAG Member

## **Youth on a Global Event Stage**

- Ms. Rana Ghoneim, UNIDO
- Youth representative (nomination pending)
- Mr. Amr Essam, COP27 Presidency Team
- Moderated by Mr. Fridolin Egerer, YAG Member

## 16:10 CLOSING REMARKS

Youth MC Melissa Tomassini, YAG Member