



Opening Youth Solutions Days

Context

The International Vienna Energy and Climate Forum is a solutions platform to accelerate low-emission, climate-resilient development around the world. The Forum highlights the action-oriented steps required to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030, helping to forge an inclusive pathway that leaves no one behind. The Forum is co-organized by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA), and the Government of Austria. The solutions platform facilitates multi-sectoral, multi-stakeholder, and inter-disciplinary dialogue to advance sustainable energy development while promoting inclusiveness and the empowerment of women and youth engagement.

Youth Solutions Days, designed by and for youth, in partnership with Sustainable Energy for All (SEforAll), WU Vienna, and the City of Vienna brings together young people to discuss, learn, and build capacity through an action-packed three-day agenda. Most of all, it meaningfully engages youth in the Forum.

Date and Time

Date: 01.11.2023

Time: 10:00-10:30

Location: Vienna International Centre, Board Room D

Background

Young people are a crucial force for development and key agents of social change, economic growth, and technological innovation. Involving youth in decision-making should be a priority for international institutions and governments alike. Organizations and government translate their commitment to involving youth by adapting different programs and strategies within their activities. Through these, they hope to address the concerns of youth as well as increase their participation in society and ensure that their work is relevant to the younger generation

The 'Opening' session on the last day of 'Youth Solution Days' aims to provide a platform for the youth to not only listen to the leaders but also ask them questions. In this session, heads



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of organizations will share how they engage youngsters in their activities and the value that such involvement brings. They will also share their insights into the ways young people should and can get involved.

Agenda

- **Introduction and scene setting by moderator (5 min)** | 10:00 – 10:05 CEST
- **Speeches (10 minutes per speaker = 20 min)** | 10:05 – 10:25 CEST
 - Ms Damilola Ogunbiyi
 - Mr Gerd Müller
- **Concluding Remarks from the moderator (5 min)** | 10:25 – 10:30 CEST

Expected outcomes

- Attendees of the session will gain an understanding of how key international institutions in the field of sustainable development seek to work together with youth.
- Youth will get a better understanding of their roles in international organizations that work in the climate and energy sectors.





Speakers

Damilola Ogunbiyi



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CEO and Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General (UN SRSG) for Sustainable Energy for All, and Co-Chair of UN-Energy. With Mrs. Ogunbiyi at the helm, Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL) has entered into working relationships with over 200 partners, supported over 90 countries globally, and secured commitments of more than \$600 billion in energy finance.

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Gerd Müller



Director General @ UNIDO

Director General of the UNIDO as of 10 December 2021, has had various leadership positions from an early stage in his career. Following his tenure as a Member of the European Parliament, he was appointed Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection in 2005

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