

# *1<sup>st</sup> World Creative Youth Forum Quezon City The Philippines*

## **MESSAGES OF SUPPORT**

*HRH Prince Frederick von Saxe-Lauenberg , Children of the World 2000*

*The 1st World Creative Youth Forum will be the testimony of the youth of the world delivered to the global community with compassion, strength of unity, commitment, vigour and hope. What we are doing is creating a legacy for the youth of the world, we are bequeathing to our future generations hopefully a better world that will be a much happier place and at peace.*

*The Forum will attract youngsters who all radiate a limitless sense of energy and whose imaginations are fertile with dreams of a world free from war, conflict, poverty and pollution. Since the historic declaration made at the 1990 World Summit for Children that the world leaders will partner with the children of the world we have formed a coalition of NGOs all working for the good of humanity and Mother Earth. The ongoing struggle for peace and saving the planet from further destruction is now more challenging - the young people who commit themselves to the challenges ahead are stars and stars form constellations, these over time grow and grow connecting one community to another around the world. The main aspiration is strengthening this concept and making a huge impact on the world.*

*The youth are our partners in the Earth's future, we all have a claim on the equity - it's our Earth for goodness sake. This means together everyone, young and old shall achieve and create new patterns of understanding and construct new ways of improving our society. We must learn more about mutual respect for one another. Today, the future we build together will have a profound impact in our countries and around the world. Fellow advocates you have the power to achieve peace and justice and make a change.*

*In peace and solidarity*

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*Cesar Z. Amoranto Jr., BROOD National Council for Environment*

*The World Creative Youth Forum, is one of the newest gathering of the youth from all over the world. It is a great opportunity for youths to express their opinion on the following topics and make an action for a better future for our next generation. I praise the International organizer of this event as well as the local for the effort of bringing the youth of the world in this gathering to discuss all current issues that truly affects our community.*

*Cesar Z. Amoranto Jr.*

*National Council for Environment*

*Brotherhood of Destiny*

*Board of Trustees (Luzon Regional Representative)*

*Youth for Sustainable Development - Pilipinas*

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*Marcelito Mangaoang, YPWC Youth Action Ambassador*

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*Greetings!*

*On behalf of the Young People We Care (YPWC), I would like to congratulate the organizers of the 1st World Creative Youth Forum for coming up with this tremendous idea.*

*The world today was now really being dominated with young people. Being such, their voices must be heard and their views must be seen by the world. Youth must participate in forums and activities that can help them achieve better future not only for themselves, but also for the world.*

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*All of us can contribute to the wellness of our society. If we are already satisfied with what we have for our own, we must also think if others have just the same thinking. It's a time to help and a time to think of changes necessary for growth.*

*With this, I encouraged all youth to participate in the 1st World Creative Youth Forum to be held on May, 2009 in the Philippines ~ God bless us all*  
MARCELITO A. MANGAOANG, RME  
YPWC Youth Action Ambassador

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*David Kam, Founder of the EARTHSHIP Summit*  
EARTHSHIP SUMMIT 2010 ~ CANADA

*"The organizers of the WCYF is an inspiration to all the youth of the world who want to change the world for the better. We wish the WCYF the best of success for their exciting event.*

*The EARTHSHIP Summit for 2010 in Montreal was inspired by the World Creative Youth Forum. Thank you for your effort to make the world a better place.*

*David Kam*  
Founder of the EARTHSHIP Summit  
<http://earthshipsummit.com>

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*Happy James Tumwebaze, Sustainability Watch Network (SusWatch)*

*On behalf of Sustainability Watch Network as an out-going International Network Coordinator, and on my own behalf, I would like to express support for the World Creative Youth Forum. This forum, which in particular addresses issues that are already affecting our livelihoods now and tomorrow, is indeed important for the youth of today, as it exposes to them what they need for their survival, and encourages them to articulate what affects them directly or indirectly. This Forum will also expose them, as managers of our world tomorrow, to advocacy skills that are important for changing the world to what it should be tomorrow.*

*I therefore wish to call upon all people of the world with good will, and especially those that are concerned with what they leave behind for their children and grandchildren, to join hands and embrace this forum. Let us support the youth, who are the leaders and managers of this planet tomorrow, and give them all they need to attend this forum. May mother earth, despite the current levels of degradation, last longer. Let us all work towards attaining a sustainable world – a better world is possible.*

*Happy James Tumwebaze*  
Outgoing International Network Coordinator  
International Network Secretariat ~ Sustainability Watch Network

*Cecilia Mag-isa Estoque, Educator and International Online Learning Coordinator/Facilitator*

*I would like to encourage youths, educators and leaders around the world to join us on our call for change for a better world. Many noble causes and actions have been pushed but the world continues to deteriorate physically, mentally and worst morally. We have young generations waiting to take their turn in managing our earth yet if*

*we continuously squander the precious wealth and time given by our divine Creator, what would be left for them and for their future children?*

*Let's all join hands in sharing our actions towards the same vision. Please remember, each one of us have our own calling to serve and give sense to our existence. Join and support the World Creative Youth Forum, if not for you, think of the next generation.*

*Sincerely,*

*CECILIA MAG-ISA ESTOQUE*

*Educator and International Online Learning Coordinator/Facilitator*

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*IAVE Youth Office in Catalonia (IYOC), Spain*

*IYOC supports WCYF*

*It's about time that we, young citizens of the world, understand global problems, share and learn skills to address them constructively, and take countless opportunities to work with each other given our common goals. The World Creative Youth Forum is one BIG step forward in our journey in creating sustainable communities for the generations to come. With our creativity, we can build a brighter and peaceful future ahead of us. This is both our future and our role.*

*Dr. Nina Meyerhof, President - Children of the Earth*

*The World Creative Youth Forum is a call to the youth of the world to recognize as their future they must become not only the advocates of an equitable more just world but also be the true activists in this process to ensure their future.*

*The World Creative Youth Forum to be held in the Philippines in May of 2009 is a call to action. It is an offering from a small group of people who are working day and night to bring forth a truly expansive themed conference for youth to network around, gather new information and to feel fortified to take real action. This invitation is for youth to have an opportunity to have their voice heard in their demands and then to initiate the changes that are necessary for all.*

*If we work together in unity and shared responsibility we will succeed. This gathering shall be monumental in its outreach and is all inclusive of issues to building of new skills from technology to finding one's own inner spirit as inspiration to facts about climate change and water. We are gathered to serve each other in this moment of stress and potential change. Please consider attending and making a needed difference. Thank-you.*

*Dr. Nina Meyerhof*

*Pres. of Children of the Earth*

*The World Spirit Youth Council project*

*Irene Millar, Director Eco Leadership*

*Eco Leadership supports WCYF*

*Eco Leadership congratulates everyone who has contributed to the success of the World Creative Youth Forum 2009. In the words of Nelson Mandela, "Sometimes it falls upon a generation to be great. You can be that great generation."*

*The objectives of WCYF are similar to Eco Leadership's business goals, we believe that education and awareness are vital components in creating a more sustainable future for all the inhabitants of our planet. As entrepreneurs we bring together youth, businesses, governments and NGOs to collaborate on finding and implementing sustainable models for individuals and organisations.*

*Eco Leadership ~ Our vision is to make it easy and convenient for all of us, as individuals and organisations, to make more sustainable choices in the way we live and conduct business. Simple changes integrated into our everyday lives can move us to becoming good stewards of our planet.*

*As a global organisation we are delighted that WCYF has events taking place in a number of locations and as avid tree planters and fans of Plant-A-Tree-Today (which provides environmental education and sustainable economic development for rural communities to help combat climate change throughout South East Asia) we applaud your tree planting endeavours.*

*“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” Margaret Mead.*

*Best regards  
Irene Millar  
Director*

*Claudine Claridad, Chairperson, Kabataan Kontra Kahirapan Youth Against Poverty  
[www.kabataangpinoy.net](http://www.kabataangpinoy.net)*

*The World Creative Youth Forum is a timely opportune for all young peoples of the world to unite for a cause against climate change and global warming. The Forum will provide platform for youth to share, learn, and interact with each other and how this engagement will create a wider and deeper understanding on the meaning of sustainable development. The solidarity that will rise from this Forum is an unstoppable force to reckon with. In behalf of Kabataan Kontra Kahirapan (Youth Against Poverty), my congratulations to the organisers of the Forum.*

*“Keep the fire burning!”*

*Michael Boampong, Executive Director, Young People We Care (YPWC)*

*The World Youth Creative Forum for us at YPWC is a great step towards protecting the peace that is already prevailing in some countries and also building the blocks of those that have been thrown into chaos sometime. We hope that this will build the capacity of emerging young leaders to address issues of conflict and violence to help us achieve the dream of 2015.*

*This event is an opportunity to meet fellow activists, build friendships, share experiences and enhance existing capacities of our youth.*

*I would like to commend all the hard work of organizers, sponsors and participants in making this forum diverse and up to date, tackling the challenges to the planet and mankind.*

*MICHAEL BOAMPONG  
Executive Director  
Young People We Care (YPWC)*

*Samita Wilson, Asian Coordinator - Asia-Europe Youth Network for Sustainable Development  
Asia-Europe Youth Network for Sustainable Development (AEYNSD) supports WCYF*

*The World Creative Youth Forum is a great opportunity for the youth around the world to stand for their hopes, aspirations and aims to take a step towards achieving their vision for the mother Earth. Today, we need a world where peace and harmony prevails and everyone gets a chance to live to their full capacity. Looking at the present situation, our only hope lies with the YOUTH, who can work together to make this world a better and happier place for all.*

*WCYF is a great platform which would not only provide an opportunity for the young leaders to share their experiences and learning, but would also develop an understanding and tolerance of each other (which seems to be vanishing from the world). They will learn to empathize and see things in their context.*

*We, in the Asia-Europe Youth Network for Sustainable Development, understand the critical need to further address the issues related to sustainable and equitable development. AEYNSD supports any initiative that advances the cause of South empowerment and North partnership for sustainable development. We look forward to WCYF for bringing the youth from two poles to work together. AEYNSD is a platform for the youth organizations from Asia and Europe, committed towards achieving a sustainable and developed Asia and Europe that secures the future for Young People in the region. And we welcome all the organizations, which are inspiring to create a positive difference, to be a part of it.*

*AEYNSD commend the initiative and all the hard work done by the organizers of WCYF and take pride in being a part of it.*

*Let's make this world a happier and better place to live.... Together we can!!!!*

*Samita Wilson  
Asian-Coordinator  
Asia-Europe Youth Network for Sustainable Development  
www.aeynsd.org*

*Osberto Santillan, World March - Philippines*

*World March Philippines supports WCYF*

*We warmly applaud and congratulate the Brotherhood of Destiny, Inc (BROOD) and all initiators and co-organizers of the 1st World Creative Youth Forum (WCYF 2009)! Like you, we strongly feel the great need for all of us to deepen our understanding of the issues and concerns that would lead to a just and sustainable development for everyone. We strongly support and encourage the WCYF 2009! Your theme for the initial World Creative Youth Forum, "Education for Sustainable Development" is apt and timely.*

*We need new models; the world needs new models. It is invigorating and challenging for everyone in our society to realize that the youth, themselves are searching for better ways of living, working and playing. It is obvious that the current and outdated models have broken down and have proven to be inadequate in providing and sustaining food, clothing, shelter, health, education, etc., for the majority of the world's population; thus, the need for new models, new structures and a new more global consciousness of peace and non-violence.*

*Indeed, there can be no "sustainable" development if there is no peace – wars and armed conflicts are not the answer; they are not solutions. There can be no peace if violence continues to exist and permeate our societies. With open minds, we must find, develop and create non-violent methodologies, systems, models and actions. On this foundation of a non-violent consciousness we can truly help change the course of history towards a new, more positive direction. The time has come!*

*We are very hopeful and optimistic about the contributions the 1st World Creative Youth Forum will be able to produce and effect, especially in the field of learning and education. These, we are sure, will help create a worldwide culture of peace and non-violence.*

*Peace, Force and Joy!*

*OSBERTO A. SANTILLAN*

*President*

*The Foundation for a World w/o*

*Wars and w/o Violence, Inc.*

*Roslyn Arayata, Coordinator P.A.R.E. ni Juan*

*The World Creative Youth Forum (WCYF) is a celebration of young leaders across the globe. Taking action now that promote sustainable development is the most generous gift we can give to the present and future generation.*

*This event is an opportunity to meet fellow activists, build friendships, share experiences and enhance existing capacities of our youth.*

*I would like to commend all the hard work of organizers, sponsors and participants in making this forum diverse and up to date, tackling the challenges to the planet and mankind.*

**ROSLYN ARAYATA**

*Coordinator Positivong Alternatibo ang Renewable Energy ni Juan*

*P.A.R.E. ni Juan*

*David D'Angelo, National Secretary General Brotherhood of Destiny (BROOD)*

*The World Creative Youth Forum (WCYF) 2009 transcends beyond the people who is initiating it for it is a duty that was duly than for the cause of making a difference for the Earth. The way towards realizing this event seems like a hard mountain to climb but that is the case for a cause that will bear fruit. I therefore, invite everyone to take on their cudgels and walk beside us.*

*We may not be the experts that some people think we are on issues on Sustainable Development but if we know one thing that is the fact that we are together in one Earth and in one World and whatever happens to it we are all affected. We are reaching out to every person and every son of this planet to help us accomplish this cause because this is not my cause alone but it is our cause as an Earth Citizen.*

*BROOD supports WCYF for the main reason that we believe in the power of optimism and creating positive change. It is only through changing our ways that we can have a better and more friendly Earth.*

*Join us and together let us make a difference for our planet. We cannot do this alone.*

*International Network of Social Entrepreneurs (INSE) supports WCYF*

*Count on my full support for the first WCYF Summit in Manila in May of 2009. It is an extremely important event which will not only help to raise awareness about all the global issues threatening humanity and the planet but will also enable various organizations to present the most innovative and sustainable solutions and stress out the importance of educating younger generations so they are one day ready to play their role which is vitally important if we want to successfully overcome all these global issues.*

*Anybody concerned by the global issues currently threatening humanity and the planet needs to attend WCYF 2009.*

*Sincerely,*

*Christophe J. Poizat*

*International Network of Social Entrepreneurs*

*Founder & President*

*<http://inse.collectivex.com>*

*"Fostering Connections to Pursue Business Endeavors with Social and Environmental Benefits"*

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*Prof Hubert Gijzen, Ph.D - Director and Representative UNESCO Jakarta*

*It is my great pleasure to be able to confirm our association and our support as a co-sponsor of the "1st World Creative Youth Forum 2009 (WCYF2009): Education for Sustainable Development", which will be held in the Philippines in 2009.*

*To place youth as the bridge that connects education and sustainable development is very much in line with UNESCO's mandate, and with the goals of the United Nations Decade on Education for Sustainable Development (DESD, 2005-2014). We at UNESCO see young people as critical stakeholders in all aspects of development, and we believe their energy, motivation and vision are essential aspects for positive social change. Thus, we are of the opinion that the aim of WCYF 2009 to engage young people in taking proactive action and engagement to contribute to the achievement of a sustainable future constitutes a very valuable initiative.*

*We wish Children of the World all the best in further fund raising effort required to make this important event a success, and look forward to our fruitful cooperation.*

*Prof. Hubert Gijzen, PhD  
Director and Representative  
UNESCO Jakarta Office*