



2025 Jeju Forum Young Leaders Program

About Jeju Forum and Young Leaders Program

Jeju Forum for Peace and Prosperity was launched in 2001 as a platform for dialogue that not only shares visions for peace in the Korean Peninsula, East Asia, and the world but also seeks creative solutions through international cooperation. Hosted by Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, International Peace Foundation, and the East Asia Foundation and sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea and the Jeju Free International City Development Center, Jeju Forum has served as an international public forum for the past two decades, creating platforms to discuss timely global issues with numerous world-class leaders and experts in various fields from home and overseas and providing diverse networking opportunities.

Aligned with this mission, the Jeju Forum Young Leaders Program empowers the next generation of leaders by engaging them in fruitful discussions and providing unique opportunities to shape the global agenda. Centered on themes such as regional cooperation, inclusive and innovative economic growth, and environmental sustainability in 2025, the program emphasizes actionable solutions to address regional and global challenges. By fostering dialogue between young participants, experts, and high-level figures, the program aims to inspire innovative ideas, build robust cross-regional networks, and create impactful outcomes from today's young leaders.

I. Objectives

The program seeks to facilitate meaningful dialogue and collaboration among young leaders from across the APEC region, with the aim of contributing to a more peaceful, prosperous, and sustainable Asia-Pacific. By addressing key regional issues aligned with APEC's priorities, the overarching goals of APEC 2025 - "**Building a Sustainable Tomorrow: Connect, Innovate, Prosper**" - the program focuses on creating practical solutions to advance long-term stability and shared prosperity.

The program aims to amplify the voices of young leaders in the following areas:

1. **Enhancing Regional Cooperation:** The program will promote dialogue among young leaders to address shared regional challenges, emphasizing collaborative approaches to fostering resilient and cohesive communities. It highlights the importance of multilateral frameworks and partnerships in advancing peace and prosperity across the Asia-Pacific.
2. **Driving Inclusive and Innovative Economic Growth:** The program will explore how to harness innovation and the power of digital transformation to foster equitable economic



growth. It will examine strategies to empower marginalized groups, including women, youth, MSMEs, and communities in the informal sector, to participate fully in the economic opportunities of the 21st century.

3. **Advancing Sustainability and Climate Resilience** : Recognizing the interconnectedness of environmental sustainability and regional stability, the program will delve into innovative solutions for climate change mitigation and adaptation. It will emphasize the importance of green technologies, circular economies, and collaborative action among APEC economies to address shared environmental challenges.
4. **Build a Collaborative Network**: The program will develop a robust community of young leaders committed to advancing peace, sustainability, and inclusive growth across the Asia-Pacific region, contributing to amplification of regional collaboration and impact.

II. Program Overview

- **Dates:** May 28-30, 2025 (3 days, aligned with the Jeju Forum schedule)
- **Location:** Jeju Island, South Korea
- **Participants:** Approx. 35+ youth leaders, including:
 - 21 outstanding youth leaders from APEC Member Economies
 - 15 Youth Secretariat members from the Republic of Korea
- **Themes:** Multilateralism, Regional Cooperation, Inclusive Growth, Climate Resilience

III. Participant Eligibility

- **Age:** 18-34 years old
- **Eligibility Criteria:**
 - Open to young leaders from APEC member economies who demonstrate a keen interest in contributing to peace, regional cooperation, inclusive growth, innovation, and sustainability.
 - Applicants should have relevant **professional experience, academic studies, or leadership roles** related to the program's focus areas, such as:
 - Promoting peacebuilding and ensuring regional stability
 - Advancing women and youth empowerment for inclusive growth
 - Driving economic innovation and navigating digital transformation
 - Enhancing climate resilience and fostering sustainable development
 - Proficiency in English is required for active participation in discussions, presentations, and networking activities.
 - Candidates should exhibit strong skills in communication, collaboration, and leadership, with a commitment to engaging in collaborative activities, including the drafting of an outcome document.



- Applications from individuals of diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to ensure inclusivity and representation within the program.

IV. Application Process

- Submit your CV and the completed application form, outlining your motivation and experience related to the program's themes.

V. Benefits

- Fully-funded participation; (1) Round-trip flight in economy class, (2) accommodation, and (3) meals during the forum.
* Selected participants should purchase economy class flight tickets on their own and will be reimbursed for the purchased price
- Opportunities to interact with global experts, policymakers, and youth leaders.
- A certificate of participation recognizing involvement in the Jeju Forum Young Leaders Program.
- Networking and cultural exchange opportunities to build sustainable connections.

VII. Main Activities

- **Youth-Led Session:** Panel discussions and case studies on leadership and collaboration on theme.
- **Participation in Jeju Forum Sessions:** Youth participants will attend selected sessions of the Jeju Forum led by impactful experts, policymakers, and high-level figures.
- **Collaborative Outcome Document Writing:** Participants will jointly draft and derive a Call to Action document, summarizing key discussions and recommendations on the program themes. The document will serve as a roadmap for youth-led initiatives and a legacy of the program's impact. Attendance at two pre-Forum meetings(online) is mandatory for all participants.
- **Networking with Experts:** Direct dialogue and mentorship sessions with leaders in program's focus area.
- **Cultural Exchange:** Cross-cultural workshops, local tours, and interactive activities to enhance mutual understanding.

**The detailed programme will be provided once confirmed.*

VIII. Expected Outcome



- Strengthened youth leadership and global and regional collaboration on sustaining peace and shared prosperity.
- Actionable initiatives and innovative solutions to advance the agenda developed by participants.
- Enhanced cultural understanding and the establishment of an international and regional network of young leaders, fostering connections with experts and policymakers.

IX. Contact

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APPLICATION FORM

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name	<i>※ As indicated in your passport (First Name, Last Name)</i>		
Date of Birth	<i>YYYY-MM-DD</i>	Gender	
Nationality			
Residing Address			
Email			
Contact number			

2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Institution Name	City, Country	Major	Status (Enrolled/Graduated)	Period (Start-End)
				<i>YYYY-MM</i>

3. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Position/Activity	Organization	Period	Key responsibilities and Achievements

4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Language Proficiency**

Language	Proficiency
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Basic
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Basic

- **Skills**



Skill	Details

5. RELEVANT EXPERIENCE AND INTERESTS

Motivation for Applying (Max. 500 words)
Experience Related to Youth, Women, and Peace(Max. 500 words)

Signature and Agreement

I here certify that the information provided above is accurate and truthful, and I agree that my personal information will be used solely for the purpose of this program.

Full Name: _____ **(Signature)** _____



Date:

YYYY-MM-DD



Agreement Form for Participation in the Jeju Forum Young Leaders Program

I, the undersigned, acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions while participating in the Jeju Forum Young Leaders Program in the Republic of Korea:

1. I agree to abide by the laws of the Republic of Korea and respect the rules and regulations of the Jeju Forum and its affiliated organizations during my participation.
2. I will maintain respectful and professional behavior toward all participants, organizers, and speakers throughout the program.
3. I accept full responsibility for my actions and conduct during the Forum and any related activities, including field trips, networking events, and collaborative sessions.
4. I will adhere to all safety guidelines provided by the Forum organizers and local authorities.
5. I will immediately report any incidents, emergencies, or safety concerns to the organizers.
6. I agree to actively participate in all scheduled sessions, workshops, and activities to the best of my ability.
7. I understand that failure to attend or engage in mandatory activities may result in my removal from the program.
8. I am responsible for securing my personal belongings and ensuring my well-being throughout the program.
9. I will cover any personal expenses not included in the program benefits, such as additional meals, transportation, or activities outside the official schedule.
10. I will respect the cultural values, traditions, and local customs of the Republic of Korea and the diverse participants in the program.

Acknowledgment and Consent

By signing this form, I confirm that I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the terms and conditions outlined above. I understand that failure to comply with these terms may result in my removal from the program and other necessary actions in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Korea.

Participant's Full Name:

Passport Number:



Emergency Contact Name and Number:

Signature:

Date: *YYYY-MM-DD*