



## **Climate Advocacy Training for Youth 2020**

### **Purpose of the programme:**

This programme would seek to ensure that young, talented people from Hong Kong have the confidence and ability to participate effectively in national, regional and global meetings on environmental and social issues; most particularly on meetings related to the achievement of the Paris Climate Agreement, but also on meetings related to Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals.

**Language:** English/ Cantonese

### **Course duration:**

Every Saturday morning from November to January 2021

**Time:** 10:00am to 12:00noon

**Venue:** To be announced

**Number of participants:** 20 participants

### **Gain valuable and relevant skills, and come away with:**

- Understanding of the international conventions, agreements, multilateral organizations on climate change and related major environmental and social issues. Specifically, the course will cover Paris Agreement, UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);
- How you can make your voice heard in international forums and local community.
- Tools and frameworks to influence pressing global issues on climate change, and sustainability.
- Action plans about how to implement an advocacy campaign on climate issues in your chosen space.

Prior to the start of the training modules, students are required to attend a self-paced online training course.

**Explore effective youth-led climate action strategies as you engage in our weekly training activities:**

**Module 1: Climate Change, SDGs and Climate Justice**

Date: 28 Nov, 2020 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

14:00-17:00

Format: Face to Face (TBC)

- Key concepts of causes, effects and solutions of climate change.
- The relationship between climate change and the SDGs
- The relationship between climate change and social justice

**Module 2: Climate Negotiation at International Level**

Date: 5 Dec, 2020 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Online zoom training

- Structure of UNFCCC and relation to UNEP and other multilateral environmental bodies.
- The development of international organizations and agreements on environmental and social issues.
- The significance of the Paris Climate Agreement
- The different actors and stakeholders involved in international climate issues and how their interrelationships
- Climate talks: how they work, what the terminology means and what to expect at COP26

**Module 3: Climate Change and the International Youth Movement**

Date: 12 Dec, 2020 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Online zoom training

- How the UN views the role of youth in climate change action
- The role of youth in international events and what action they can take
- Introduction of different international youth groups: Climate for Youth, Voices of Youth, YOUNGO etc.
- Other international civil society groups and organizations working on climate

#### **Module 4: Regional Climate Change environment- Asia Pacific**

##### **Local climate change environment - Hong Kong**

Date: 19 Dec, 2020 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Online zoom training

- Regional: Analysis of China's climate action and other Asia Pacific countries and cities climate programmes
- Local: Case study on climate advocacy. CCIL's Paris Watch Programme assessing Hong Kong's climate performance

**Semester Break after module 4, time for community group project**

#### **Module 5: Climate Communication: Speaking and writing skills**

Date: 9 Jan, 2021 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Online zoom training

- Persuasive and clear public speaking at events
- Engaging with the media and the public, giving interviews and writing articles

#### **Module 6: Climate Communication: Advocacy and lobbying skills**

Date: 16 Jan, 2021 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Online zoom training

- How to plan, frame and deliver an advocacy campaign
- How to strengthen advocacy networks and influence decision makers

#### **Module 7: Climate Negotiations Simulation Session**

Date: 23 Jan, 2021 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Face to Face (TBC)

- Simulation exercise in which students will represent different countries and negotiate operational questions related to implementing the Paris Agreement.

## **Module 8: Community Project Presentation Session**

Date: 30 Jan, 2021 (Sat)

Time: 10:00-12:00

Format: Face to Face (TBC)

- Students will work in groups and present their ideas for local community projects that would help Hong Kong to achieve net carbon zero by 2050.

### **\*Marking scheme:**

20% attendance and participations

40% assignments

20% performance in the simulation session

20% community project presentation

Certificates of Participation will be awarded to students subject to 80% of participation of all modules.

\*Marking scheme will be used to select students to participate in COP26.