



World Youth Skills Day - 15th July

Around the world, millions of young people are kept out of work due to the lack of skills required for the job market. These skills may include coding, public speaking, communication, leadership and the ability to manage people or work with people in a team. As the world keeps changing, it may be difficult even as a young person to keep up with the myriad of evolution that come with possessing these skills. Imagine that as a software engineer in the 21st century, you would have to keep up with the latest software coding skills but you lack the opportunity to do so due to poverty, location, gender or other socio-economic factors.

Today, there are 1.2 billion young people aged 15 to 24 years, accounting for 16 per cent of the global population. The active engagement of the youth is central to achieving sustainable, inclusive and stable societies by 2030. Youth engagement is critical to averting the worst threats and challenges to sustainable development, including the impacts of climate change, unemployment, poverty, gender inequality, conflict, and migration. However, young people are almost three times more likely to be unemployed than adults and continuously exposed to lower quality of jobs, greater labor market inequalities, and longer and more insecure school-to-work transitions. In addition, women are more likely to be underemployed and under-paid, and to undertake part-time jobs or work under temporary contracts. As a global effort, World Skills Day is used to create awareness of skills that keep young people out of jobs.

Youth and Technology: How they're changing the world.

- Recycling the smart way, A technology developed by a 23-year-old: ([Learn more](#))
- A platform for your young entrepreneurs to converge and share similar ideas. Developed by a 19-year-old: ([Learn more](#))
- Nao me clao. An app and social networking tool developed to rank restaurants and bars based on levels of safety: ([Learn more](#))
- A robot messaging app developed to bridge the gap between the government and citizens. Developed by a 25-year old: ([Learn more](#))
- Supporting youth who have suffered disability: ([Learn more](#)).

Learning to learn through the help of stakeholders

- World Youth Skills Day 2019: ([Watch now](#))
- Generation Unlimited: ([Learn more](#))
- Antonio Guterres speaks on the need to help young people harness their talents: ([Watch now](#))
- The Generation Youth Unlimited Challenge: ([Watch now](#)).
- 6 reasons to invest in youth skills: ([Learn more](#))
- 7 handworks every youth should consider having:([Learn more](#))