

# Geneva Programme on Global Leadership. 2080 Development Agenda and Sustainable Future

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In cooperation with Nagoya University and National Chung Chang University, this Global Leadership programme in Geneva has been developed as an overseas component of their regular study programmes on campus. The first GLP was commenced in 2015.

# **Programme Objectives**

This Global Leadership programme aims to provide future young leaders with an in-depth briefing and exposure to the global governance structure and the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development. It is envisioned that such briefing and first-hand exposure to the related core issues will enable a more global outlook and strengthen one's global leadership literacy. In addition, with this new mindset, participants will gain new awareness and insights that could lead to needed social innovations and global solidarity. Participants could become the pathfinders for their communities in contributing to solve many of the wicked problems in the current socio-economic ecosystem that left many people of our world behind.

This learning programme adopts a multi stakeholder approach to promote ecosystem thinking, critical mind-set and inclusive practices. In turn, participants will be encouraged to explore existing phenomena from an interdisciplinary orientation and apply analytic tools to generate new solutions. Participants will also be encouraged to deploy digital tools in their exploration and brainstorming of possible solutions at scale.

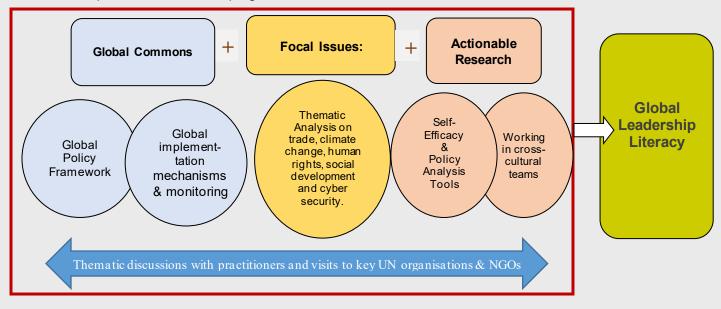
Experts from key international organisations and non-state actors of the international community in Geneva will be invited to give lectures on different aspects of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Lectures on digital future will be part of the curriculum.

# **Programme Components**

This two-week programme will be composed of three different learning activities:

- 1. Expert briefings on global commons, specific focal issues
- 2. On-site visits at different UN agencies and selected NGOs to discuss with practitioners on key sustainable development issues
- 3. A team research project that will call on the newly gained knowledge and tools to proposal feasible solutions to a social, economic and environmental challenge.

4. Public speaking through team presentation.



The roadmap below illustrates the programme flow:

#### **Course Outline**

#### 1. Learning Objectives:

- a. To gain an overview of the international governance framework and the current policy deliberations on sustainable future
- b. To connect the current issues regarding trade, environment, human rights, social development and youth employment with the 2030 Development Agenda and explore innovative and sustainable solutions that include ICT technology
- c. To understand the ecosystem and multi-stakeholder approach to governance of public affairs
- d. To acquire skills in policy analysis, working in culturally diverse teams and develop minimum comprehension regarding digital competences as stipulated in the EU DigComp Framework.
- e. To raise awareness of the cyber security challenges when dealing with sustainability issues

#### 2. Learning Methods: Interactive and Experiential

- a. **Mini lectures** - Lectures, discussions, case studies, simulation and dialogue sessions with experts from key international organisations and other actors of the international community in Geneva.
- b. **Site Visits and issue-based discussions** Study visits to select international organisations and nonstate actor organisations based in Geneva for a thematic discussion selected for each year.
- c. **Policy research and solution generations** Team based research will be organized to analyse an issue concerning economic, social and environmental development.
- d. **Capstone team presentations** at the end of the programme separately organized by the partner universities or synchronized.
- 3. Working Language: English
- 4. Number of Participants: Max 30 per programme

#### 5. Qualification Requirements for Participation:

- 5.1 English proficiency (Listening comprehension, speaking and reading)
- 5.2 Interest in global public affairs
- 5.3 Good academic standing
- 5.4 Adaptability and intellectual curiosity
- 6. Programme Components (10 study days in Geneva)

**Component 1 - Orientation & Culture Activities** (Arrival Day)

- ✓ Orientation of the residential facilities and daily logistics
- ✓ Guided walking tour of historical Geneva (2-3 hours)

#### **Component 2 – Team Formation (Day 1)**

- ✓ Course introduction and townhall meeting with the tutors
- ✓ Short introduction of the thematic issues to be address during the GLP
- ✓ Team formation and team meet with the tutors

#### **Component 3 – Thematic Areas of Lecturing**

- ✓ Theme 1: 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development & Stakeholder Engagement
- ✓ Theme 2: Financing for Development and Trade
- ✓ **Theme 3:** Environmental Sustainability: climate, biodiversity and pollution
- ✓ Theme 4: Resilient City and Cyber Security
- ✓ Theme 5: Policy Research Methodology Analysis and Solution Generation

**Component 4 - In-Situ Lectures and Visits** at the International Organisations – ILO, WTO, IOM, UNHCR, WMO, WBCSD WIPO, ITU etc. based on the GLP programme requirements and availability of the host organisations

Component 5 – Capstone Team Policy Analysis and Presentation based on the thematic focus of the GLP and site exposure of field visits

#### **Thematic Areas for Capstone Research**

Corresponding to the Thematic Areas of Lecture, participants of the GLP course will work in teams and conduct secondary research on one of these interdisciplinary topics. Specifically,

- 1. Trade and Country Development
- 2. Environmental conservation and circularity
- 3. Climate Change Adaptation & Food Security
- 4. Rights to Development and Social Inclusion
- 5. Cyber Security and Resilient Cities

## Certification

Upon successful completion of the course work and submission of the final group project report in PowerPoint format, the participants will be granted a GLP certificate issued by CSEND.

#### **Academic Credits**

Upon registration with individual partner university, participants of the course will receive credits in accordance to the academic requirements of respective university and their fulfilment.

#### Tuition

CHF 1,150 per student.

Travel and local expenditures such as room and board will be paid directly by the students themselves to the housing and other service providers.

### **CSEND** Profile

The Centre for Socio-Eco-Nomic Development (CSEND) promotes inclusive, equitable, sustainable and integrated development through dialogue and institutional learning since 1993. CSEND provides policy research, capacity development and consulting services on institutional development and change processes especially in the area of institutional strengthening, human and social capital development, trade and development, quality education, aid effectiveness, international negotiations and new diplomacies.

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