



CYCN DECEMBER REPORT

Date: January 4, 2021

SUMMARY:

CYCN has been represented at the Commonwealth Youth Leaders SGO Summit, and Climate Change was a major concern across the board for youth in the Commonwealth. The rebirth of and role of CYCN reinforced in the latter of 2020, following the appointment of the new Coordinator, Ms. Leneka Rhoden, who took office December 11, 2020. A call for new members was done earlier this year, with the executive recruitment process to begin in January 2020.

MAIN ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- CYCN Represented at Commonwealth Youth Leaders X SGO Summit
- CYCN Represented at Fourth Steering Committee Meeting of the Commonwealth Climate Finance Access Hub
- Draft of CYCN Action Plan Completed

BREAKDOWN:

DATE	ACTIVITY/PROJECT	REPRESENTATIVE (S)	DETAILS
Friday, November 20, 2020	Commonwealth Youth Leaders X SGO Summit	1. Ms. Leneka Rhoden (Jamaica) 2. Mr. Adrian Watson (Jamaica)	Main concerns and needs of youth in the Commonwealth regarding Climate Change were tabled. These included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of Political Will • Lack of Opportunities • Lack of Engagement Key initiatives such as the Climate Access Finance Hub and the Blue Charter were also highlighted.
Wednesday, December 2, 2020	Coordinator's Briefing	1. Ms. Aurelia Bruce (Commonwealth Secretariat) 2. Ms. Leneka Rhoden (CYCN)	CYCN and CYPAN Coordinator's Briefing Meeting introduced the structure of the CYCN and CYPAN, how CYP operates and expected outcomes.

Wednesday, December 9, 2020	Commonwealth Secretariat Climate Change Unit for the Fourth Steering Committee Meeting of the Commonwealth Climate Finance Access Hub	1. Ms. Leneka Rhoden (Jamaica)	<p>Chair of the Steering Committee of the Commonwealth Climate Finance Access Hub (CCFAH), Mrs. S. Lotun, Permanent Secretary Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade, Mauritius, extended an invitation for CYCN’s Coordinator to attend the Opening Session of the Fourth Meeting of the Steering Committee to be held virtually.</p> <p>The Opening Session featured a message from the Secretary General of the Commonwealth, Rt Hon Patricia Scotland QC; Hon. Nandcoomar Bodha, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade Mauritius; H.E. Keith Allan, British High Commissioner in Mauritius; H.E Dr Kate O’Shaughnessy, Australian High Commissioner in Mauritius.</p>
Wednesday, December 9, 2020	Recruitment Plan	1. Ms. Leneka Rhoden (Jamaica)	<p>Recruitment plan for CYCN’s executive recruitment.</p> <p>Recommendations also made for a rolling membership recruitment plan (form to be placed on website).</p>
Thursday, December 31, 2020	Draft of Action Plan 2020/2021	1. Ms. Leneka Rhoden (CYCN Coordinator, Jamaica)	Executive Meeting Schedule outlined and detailed project descriptions given. The action plan features a calendar outline of activities and projects for CYCN- to be finalized by members of the executive by Feb 2020.

UPCOMING FOR JANUARY:

- Recruitment of Executive
- Meeting with Executive
- Finalized Action Plan and Social Media Plan for 2020/2021