



LONDON, UK

15 – 18 APRIL 2018

Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre

Sunday 15 April 2018

1200 - Social Outreach Project for Official Youth Delegates

1700

Facilitators' / moderators' briefing

Monday 16 April 2018

Day One

0800 Registration

0900 "Powering our Common Future"

Official Opening

A welcome and introduction to the Youth Forum's theme, our response to the CHOGM theme of "Towards a Common Future". Opening the forum and highlighting the powerful potential of young people across the Commonwealth in devising solutions for a fairer, more secure, sustainable and prosperous future.

#CYF #CHOGM2018 #CommonwealthYouth

1015 Building a Prosperous Future for All

Plenary

How can young people contribute to the Commonwealth's inclusive and equitable development agenda? How can we strengthen the enabling environment to promote gainful employment for young people and meaningful engagement in the labour market? How can youth mainstreaming foster holistic development outcomes for a prosperous Commonwealth?

1115 *Networking break*

11.45 Action Plan Sessions

*Thematic
breakouts*

1. **Prosperity:** The Future of Work: Co-creating Solutions for

Youth Unemployment

2. **Sustainability:** How can we shift paradigms in the blue and green economies to promote livelihoods?
3. **Security:** Countering Violent Extremism (CVE): From rhetoric to action
4. **Fairness:** Inclusion and Equity

1315

Networking Lunch

CYC Election Hustings

1415

Co-Creating a more secure future for all

Plenary

How do we create an enabling environment to promote peacebuilding, address violent extremism, and tackle security threats of the 21st century?

1545

Networking break & CYC Election Hustings (continued)

1615

Action Plan Sessions

*Thematic
breakouts*

1. **Prosperity:** Entrepreneurship, technology and innovation
2. **Sustainability:** Ocean Governance – enhancing youth-led action on marine pollution
3. **Security:** Solutions for emerging security threats.
4. **Fairness:** Health and wellbeing in the Commonwealth

1715

CYC Election Hustings (continued)

1800

Welcome to the UK

Evening reception

An exciting and interactive evening celebrating the very best of music, creativity, technology and innovation from across the UK. Bringing together delegates from the Business, People's, Women's and Youth Forums.

Tuesday 17 April 2018

Day Two

0930 **Towards a Common Future** *Joint-Forums
plenary*

Bringing together delegates from the Commonwealth Business, People's, Women's and Youth Forums.

What should the Commonwealth of the future look like? How, by sharing insights, expertise and resources across business, civil society and governments, can we deliver a fairer, more prosperous, secure and sustainable future for everyone in the Commonwealth?

1100 **Networking break**
Polls open for CYC Elections

1130 **Enhancing Sustainability in the Commonwealth** *Plenary*

How do we stay within planetary boundaries, reduce vulnerabilities, and strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards for a sustainable future for all?

The Future of Work – Skilling Tomorrow's Economy *Keynote followed
by Panel hosted
by the
Commonwealth
Business Forum*

What should we be preparing our young people for? Can technology create the opportunity for more liberal and truly inclusive employment?

Next Generation Impact and Entrepreneurship Forum *Invitation-only
roundtable in
partnership with
the
Commonwealth
Youth Forum*

How can we empower entrepreneurs and inspire the next generation to create the social and economic change we need?

1230 **Commonwealth Big Lunch**
With delegates from the Business, Women's and People's Forums

1400	Action Plan Sessions	<i>Thematic breakouts</i>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prosperity: Resourcing and financing the youth development sector 2. Sustainability: Vulnerability and resilience – youth-led solutions for fragile states 3. Security: Global citizenship, interfaith and intercultural understanding 4. Fairness: Enhancing youth engagement in democracy and governance 	
1500	<p>Inclusion – The Future we want! Fairness, Equity and Justice for all</p> <p><i>How can we strengthen young people’s engagement to promote just, equitable and inclusive societies? How can we strengthen the shared vision of democracy, good governance, human rights and the rule of law in order to promote a fairer future for all, leaving no one behind?</i></p>	<i>Plenary</i>
1615	<i>Networking break</i>	
1645	<p>Action Plan Sessions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prosperity: Strengthening the wider influence of the youth development sector 2. Sustainability: The Paris Agreement - from ambition to delivery 3. Security: UN Resolution 2250 – from policy to practice 4. Fairness: Establishing and promoting youth rights 	<i>Thematic breakouts</i>
1800	Social event (optional)	



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Day Three

**0900 –
1230**

CYC GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Capacity Building Session 1:

Developing entrepreneurial and employment skills

Capacity Building Session 2:

Open-sourced leadership

Capacity Building Session 3:

Youth-led accountability mechanisms

Capacity Building Session 4:

Power, rights and participation: developing an advocacy action plan

1045

Refreshments

1100 - POLLS CLOSE FOR CYC ELECTIONS

1115

**CYC GENERAL ASSEMBLY / CAPACITY BUILDING SESSIONS
(Continued)**

1230

Lunch Break

1330

CYC GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Continued)

1530

Announcement of the CYC Election Results

1615

Closing Ceremony and installation of the New CYC Executive
